



Department of Emergency Services

Memorandum

31652

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John M. Cullen
Commissioner of Emergency Services

DATE: January 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Authorization to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept \$180,000 in grant funding in connection with the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the period September 19, 2012 through September 19, 2014 with a 25% non-federal matching share of \$60,000

Authorization is requested for the County of Westchester ("County"), acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services ("Department"), to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services ("DHSES") to accept federal funds through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to assist the County in its efforts to engage in the process of multi-jurisdictional mitigation planning to produce a multi-jurisdiction, multi-hazard mitigation plan for the County. The grant is for the period September 19, 2012 through September 19, 2014, for a total amount not to exceed \$180,000, with a 25% non-federal matching share of \$60,000 in the form of in-kind services (personnel and fringe expenses for work on the application and plan development, public outreach, adoption and implementation of the a multi-jurisdiction, multi-hazard mitigation plan).

This grant agreement serves the public's best interest as it will enhance emergency preparedness and thereby preserve the health, safety and general welfare of County residents. The goals and objectives of this program are to reduce the County's vulnerabilities to potential threats and develop proposed measures to reduce risk associated with natural hazards. This agreement will enhance common planning and enable the County and local municipalities to take steps to eliminate or minimize the impact a potential hazard would cause. The Department will be able to monitor the effectiveness of this effort through a series of performance measures required by DHSES.

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

In view of the importance of this program, I recommend approval of the attached resolution.

JMC/TSA/nm

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Emergency Services, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services, is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (“DHSES”) to accept Federal funds through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to assist the County in its efforts to engage in the process of multi-jurisdictional mitigation planning to produce a multi-jurisdiction, multi-hazard mitigation plan for the County for the period September 19, 2012 through September 19, 2014, for a total amount not to exceed \$180,000, with a 25% non-federal matching share of \$60,000 in the form of in-kind services (personnel and fringe expenses for work on the application and plan development, public outreach, adoption and implementation of the a multi-jurisdiction, multi-hazard mitigation plan); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Agency	Capital Project Or Org	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Activity	Dollars
	263	20	486M	9853	T486	8000	\$180,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2012-2014 _____ Start Date 9/19/12 End Date 9/19/14
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
\$ 180,000 Federal Aid \$180,000
 (must match resolution) Other _____