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DATE: February 10, 2015

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Robin Schlaff  
Director, Office for Women

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into three (3) separate grant-funded agreements, each of which shall be for a term commencing October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017, as follows:

- 1.) An agreement with Pace University for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget;
- 2.) An agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$40,639.00, pursuant to an approved budget; and
- 3.) An agreement with The Hebrew Home at Riverdale for an amount not-to-exceed \$10,062.00, pursuant to an approved budget.

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By a resolution approved on November 6, 2014 (the "November 6<sup>th</sup> Resolution"), your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, (the "DOJ") in order to accept a grant awarded to the County by the DOJ under the DOJ's Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (the "Grant"), in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00), for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older (the "Grant Agreement"). The Grant Agreement was subsequently executed.

As specified in the November 6<sup>th</sup> Resolution, in order to meet the requirements of the application for the Grant, the County identified various subcontractors and other partners with whom the County will work in its performance of the Grant-funded work. Those parties include Pace University ("Pace"); Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP"); The Hebrew Home at Riverdale ("HHAR"); and the Town of Greenburgh (the "Town"). As also specified in the November 6<sup>th</sup> Resolution, the County intended to separately seek authority from your Honorable Board to enter into agreements with those parties, as necessary.

Accordingly, authority is now respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into three (3) separate agreements, each of which shall be for a term commencing

October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017 and be funded by a portion of the Grant, as follows:

- 1.) An agreement with Pace, pursuant to which Pace will serve as program coordinator and trainer, assume overall responsibility for local training efforts, and provide other related services concerning the Grant, for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget.
- 2.) An agreement with WestCOP, pursuant to which WestCOP will provide and/or participate in various outreach, training, and planning work including the development of the strategic plan for outreach and service delivery that is part of the Grant-funded work, for an amount not-to-exceed \$40,639.00, pursuant to an approved budget.
- 3.) An agreement with HHAR, pursuant to which HHAR will provide and/or participate in various Grant-funded outreach, training, and planning work, for an amount not-to-exceed \$10,062.00, pursuant to an approved budget.

The proposed agreements will use a total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$245,863.00 out of the \$400,000.00 made available to the County under the Grant Agreement. The County intends to seek authority to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town for services related to the Grant, for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,880.00. The County will be retaining \$22,709.00 for internal costs related to the services being funded by the Grant. The County has allocated \$100,000.00 for outreach and direct services from a vendor during the second half of the term of the Grant Agreement. The County intends to procure those services after the County completes a strategic plan, subject to the approval of the DOJ. The County has also allocated \$3,600.00 for services from a national trainer, which the County intends to procure. The Grant funds remaining after all of the aforementioned expenses, totaling \$11,948.00, are to be spent on travel costs for local judges (\$5,238.00) and staff from the Office of the District Attorney (\$6,710.00). Such travel costs include those associated with local judges attending the four-day national judicial institute on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation and those associated with staff from the Office of the District Attorney attending the four-day, DOJ-sponsored national prosecutors' course on elder abuse, as attendance at these programs is a DOJ requirement.

The proposed agreements will serve a public purpose by providing the County with the services it needs in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreements is to provide the County with the services it needs in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreements is in the best interests of the County in terms of the public health, safety and general welfare, as educating service providers on the specific needs of older victims may enable them to be better equipped to assist victims, enhancing victim safety and independence. Victims who are empowered to learn how to develop and maintain their own safety are not as likely to return to dependence on their abusers.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreements will be tracked and monitored by the Office for Women.

The procurement of the proposed agreements is exempt from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)(xi) thereof, which exempts “any procurement made pursuant to procurement procedures provided for under any other federal or state law applicable to such procurement,” as the County complied with the procedures specified by DOJ for the Grant.

Accordingly, I recommend adoption of the proposed resolution.

RS/SED/bdm/nn

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 03/26/2015 - JOMARY VIEIRA SECRETARY

**RESOLUTION**

Upon a communication from the Director of the Office for Women, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into three (3) separate agreements, each of which shall be for a term commencing October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017 and be funded by a portion of the grant from the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, (the "DOJ") under the DOJ's Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (the "Grant"), as follows:

- 1.) An agreement with Pace University ("Pace"), pursuant to which Pace will serve as program coordinator and trainer, assume overall responsibility for local training efforts, and provide other related services concerning the Grant, for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget;
- 2.) An agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP"), pursuant to which WestCOP will provide and/or participate in various outreach, training, and planning work, including the development of the strategic plan for outreach and service delivery that is part of the Grant-funded work, for an amount not-to-exceed \$40,639.00, pursuant to an approved budget; and
- 3.) An agreement with The Hebrew Home at Riverdale ("HHAR"), pursuant to which HHAR will provide and/or participate in various Grant-funded outreach, training, and planning work, for an amount not-to-exceed \$10,062.00, pursuant to an approved budget.

; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

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\$195,162.00 Pace  
\$40,639.00 WestCOP  
\$10,062.00 HHAR  
**\$245,863.00 Total**

Account to be Charged/Credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase, Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars	Funding Year(s)
263	11	544P	4380	T544	\$245,863	2014-2017

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014-2017  
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 10/1/2014 End Date: 9/30/2017

\$245,863  
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars \_\_\_\_\_  
State Aid \_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Aid \$245,863  
Other \_\_\_\_\_