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TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Robin Schlaff
Director, Office for Women

DATE: March 23, 2015

SUBJECT: Authority to amend an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. to operate the Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Program by extending the term of the agreement by six (6) months, to a new termination date of June 30, 2015, and by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$26,261

On June 28, 2012, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP") pursuant to which WestCOP agreed to operate, through its Victims Assistance Services Program, the Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Program, for a term January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014, for an amount not-to-exceed \$304,056 (the "Agreement") to be paid pursuant to an approved budget. The Agreement was subsequently executed.

On May 29, 2014, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County to amend the Agreement by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$3,041, from an amount not-to-exceed \$304,056 to an amount not-to-exceed \$307,097, (the "Amendment") pursuant to an approved budget. The Amendment was subsequently executed.

Authority is now respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to amend the Agreement once more by extending the term of the Agreement by six (6) months, to a new termination date of June 30, 2015, and by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$26,261, from an amount not-to-exceed \$307,097 to an amount not-to-exceed \$333,358, pursuant to an approved budget.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same.

The proposed amendment will serve a public purpose by providing additional time and funding to promote public safety by operating the SAFE Program which provides quality care to adolescent and adult victims of rape and sexual assault in Westchester County.

The goal and objective of the proposed amendment is to provide additional time and funding for WestCOP to provide training to nurses and nurse practitioners to conduct rape examinations and evidence collection pursuant to state standards and protocols. In addition, the program will continue to operate an on-call system for Forensic Nurse Specialists who treat rape victims at local hospital emergency rooms, counsel and educate rape victims, and testify in court, when necessary, regarding evidence collection.

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

Attached for your consideration is a proposed resolution.

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 amend an agreement with Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP") pursuant to which WestCOP agreed to operate, through its Victims Assistance Services Program, the Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Program, for an amount not-to-exceed \$307,097, for a term January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014 (the "Agreement"), in order to extend the term of the agreement by six (6) months, to a new termination date of June 30, 2015, and to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$26,261, from an amount not-to-exceed \$307,097 to an amount not-to-exceed \$333,358, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this amendment is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all of the other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same; 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.

Account to be charged/credited:

FUND	DEPT	Major Program, Program & Phase, Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars	Funding Year
101	11	0900	4380	N/A	\$26,261	2015

Budget Funding Year(s) 2015
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 1/1/2015 **End Date:** 6/30/2015

\$26,261
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars \$26,261
State Aid _____
Federal Aid _____
Other _____