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DATE: May 25, 2016

TO: Board of Acquisition & Contract

FROM: Mae Carpenter, Commissioner
Department of Senior Programs and Services

RE: Request authority for the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging to accept a one-time grant in an amount not to exceed \$163,091 in federal funds to provide the Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) Caregiver Support Program for caregivers and their Medicaid-eligible loved ones, for the program period April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

The County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the "Department"), seeks authority from your Honorable Board to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept a one-time grant in an amount not to exceed \$163,091 in federal funds to provide the Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) Caregiver Support Program for caregivers and their Medicaid-eligible loved ones, for the program period April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017 (the "NYSOFA Agreement").

The \$163,091 in funding will be used to enter into contracts with various entities under separate resolutions.

It should be noted that the funding announcement and grant application for the service was received from NYSOFA in January 2016 with a response date of February 22, 2016.

The proposed Agreement will serve a public purpose because it will increase offerings and access to non-institutional long term services and supports for caregivers and their Medicaid-eligible loved ones.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Agreements are to build on the current efforts to rebalance the delivery of long term services and supports to functionally impaired adults and to improve access to non-institutional long term services and supports.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Agreements are fiscally in the best interests of the County because they serve to delay or divert functionally impaired adults from institutionalization, thereby reducing Medicaid costs to the County.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Agreements will be tracked, monitored and evaluated by Department, to ensure compliance with Federal, State and County regulations.

The Agreement with NYOSFA to accept the grant funds does not constitute a procurement and as such is not subject to the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy.

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.

Accordingly, I most respectfully recommend adoption of the attached proposed resolution.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 06/23/2016 - LISA MRISAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon communication from the Commissioner of the Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept a one-time grant in an amount not to exceed \$163,091 in federal funding to provide the Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) Caregiver Support Program for caregivers and their Medicaid-eligible loved ones, for the program period April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
Credited	263	85	547Q	9853	T547	\$163,091.00

Budget Funding Year(s) Unit T-547 2015 - 2017 Start Date 4/1/15 End Date 6/30/17
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$0
 State Aid: \$0
\$163,091.00 Federal Aid: \$163,091.00
 (must match resolution)