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Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire  
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To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner of Social Services

Date: June 1, 2017

**Re: Authority for the County to exercise its first option to extend an agreement with Abbott House (“Abbott House”) for training and certification of foster and adoptive parents in an amount not to exceed \$226,000 and with United Way of Westchester and Putnam, (“United Way”) to provide marketing and recruitment of foster and adoptive parents in an amount not-to-exceed \$119,000 each for the period May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 with the County having the sole option to extend the term of each agreement for up to three (3) one (1) year periods thereafter, on the same price, terms and conditions, to be paid pursuant to an approved budgets and subject to appropriations.**

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On April 28, 2016 your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with Abbott House (“Abbott House”) for training and certification of foster and adoptive parents for an amount not to exceed \$226,000, and with United Way of Westchester and Putnam (“United Way”) to provide marketing and recruitment of foster and adoptive parents in an amount not to exceed \$119,000 payable pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation for the term May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017 with the County having the sole option to extend the term of the agreements for up to four (4) one (1) year periods thereafter, on the same price, terms and conditions and subject to Board of Acquisition and Contract approval. Both of the Agreements were executed.

Authority is now requested for the County to exercise its first option to extend both the Abbott House and the United Way Agreements for an additional year upon the same, price, terms and conditions for the term May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018.

All other terms and conditions of the Agreements shall remain in full force and effect.

The proposed Agreements will serve the public purpose of providing appropriate foster and/or adoptive placements for children placed in the Care of the County by the Family Court. Recruiting and providing ethnically appropriate foster or adoptive parental placement has the goal of reduced recidivism.

A resolution is annexed hereto, which I recommend for your favorable consideration.

KMM/DI  
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 09/21/2017 - LISA MARIJAJ, SECRETARY

## RESOLUTION

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

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to exercise its first option to extend an agreement with Abbott House dated June 13, 2016 for training and certification of foster and adoptive parents (“Abbott House Agreement”) in an amount not to exceed \$226,000, payable pursuant to an approved budget for the term May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 with the County having the sole option to extend the term of the agreement for up to three (3) one (1) year periods thereafter, on the same price, terms and conditions, and subject to the approval of the Board of Acquisition and Contract; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is hereby further authorized to exercise its first option to extend an agreement with the United Way of Westchester and Putnam dated June 14, 2016 to provide marketing and recruitment of foster and adoptive parents (“United Way Agreement”) in an amount not to exceed \$119,000, payable pursuant to an approved budget for the term May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 with the County having the sole option to extend the term of the agreement for up to three (3) one (1) year periods thereafter, on the same price, terms and conditions, and subject to the approval of the Board of Acquisition and Contract; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that all other terms and conditions of the Abbott House Agreement and the United Way Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that these contracts are subject to County appropriations; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that these Agreements are also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (“State Budget”) proposed and adopted during the term of these Agreements. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the

Governor of a proposed State budget and/or adoption of a State budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s) to conduct an analysis of the impact of any such budget(s) on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate these Agreements, or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractors then the Contractors shall have the right to terminate the agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is empowered to execute any and all documents 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
2017 Abbott House	101	22	8900	5880		\$150,667
2018 Abbott House	101	22	8900	5880		\$75,333
2017 United Way	101	22	8900	5880		\$79,333
2018 United Way	101	22	8900	5880		\$39,667

Budget Funding Year(s) : 2017 – 2018 Start Date: 5/1/2017 End Date: 4/30/2018  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source	Tax Dollars:	40%
	State Aid:	38%
<u>\$345,000</u>	Federal Aid:	22%
(must match resolution)	Other:	0%