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Department of Social Services

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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin M. McGuire
Commissioner, Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into Agreements with Caring for the Homeless of Peekskill, Inc., Family Service Society of Yonkers, Inc., Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. and The Guidance Center, Inc. to provide the Turning Point Program which will provide 68 chronically homeless adults and chronically homeless families scattered site permanent housing units as well as supportive services pursuant to a Continuum of Care Program Grant with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) for the period from August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.

The County of Westchester (the “County”) entered into a Consolidated Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) and accepted a Continuum of Care Program grant (Project # NY0988L2T041602) for the term August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. Authority is now requested for the County, acting by and through its Department of Social Services (the “Department”), to utilize the Grant funds to enter into contracts with Caring for the Homeless of Peekskill, Inc., Family Service Society of Yonkers, Inc., Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. and The Guidance Center of Westchester, Inc., Inc. (the “Providers”) to provide 68 units for highest-need chronically homeless adults and scattered site permanent housing and mobile support services to chronically homeless individuals and families, pursuant to the HUD Continuum of Care program entitled Turning Point. The Providers will have case managers to provide needs assessment, home visits, referrals, advocacy, life skills training, service coordination, relapse prevention and crisis intervention.

The proposed agreements will be entered into with the Providers in the following amounts:

Caring for the Homeless of Peekskill, Inc.,	\$250,060
Family Service Society of Yonkers, Inc.	\$244,924
Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.	\$516,129

The Guidance Center of Westchester, Inc.

\$520,312

The Providers are subrecipients pursuant to the grant agreement and therefore the Common Grant Rules do not apply.

The proposed Agreements **shall serve a public purpose** by assisting chronically homeless single individuals and families in obtaining scattered site housing within the County and receiving supportive services.

The **goals and objectives** of the proposed Agreements shall be to provide scattered site housing units and supportive services to 68 chronically homeless individuals and families. The Providers shall provide fiscal oversight in providing services.

The **goals and objectives** of the proposed Grant Agreement and Agreements are **in the County's best interest** regarding **fiscal responsibility** as the Grant Agreement provides the funding for and operation of the aforementioned program that reduces homelessness and dependence on public assistance that not only improves the economic situation of the program participants but of the County as well by reducing the County's public assistance expenditures.

The **goals and objectives** of the proposed Agreements are also **in the County's best interest** regarding **public health and safety** as the Grant Agreement provides the funding for and operation of the aforementioned program that enables the obtainment of housing and supportive services to the chronically homeless that correspondingly improves the program participants' physical and psychological well being and provides a safer and more stable overall environment.

The **goals and objectives** of the proposed Agreements **shall be tracked and monitored** by the Provider's submission of progress reports to the County that shall also include the results for the performance measurement indicators as aforementioned.

Accordingly, authority is hereby requested for the County, acting by and through the Department, to enter into the proposed Agreements with the Providers as detailed above.

I respectfully recommend your Honorable Board's approval of the attached Resolution.

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RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services, is hereby authorized to enter into agreements in the aggregate not to exceed amount of \$1,531,425 for the term August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018 with the providers and in the amounts as follows:

Caring for the Homeless of Peekskill, Inc.,	\$250,060
Family Service Society of Yonkers, Inc.	\$244,924
Lifting Up Westchester, Inc.	\$516,129
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(collectively the “Providers”) pursuant to a United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), Continuum of Care Program grant to utilize the Grant funds to provide 68 highest-need chronically homeless adults and chronically homeless families scattered site permanent housing units as well as supportive services, through a program known as the “Turning Point”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, or his authorized designee, is authorized 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
263	22	688S	4380	T688	\$1,531,425

Budget Funding Year(s): 2017-18 Start Date: 8/01/17 End Date: 7/31/18
(must match resolution)

Funding Source	Tax Dollars:
	State Aid:
	Federal Aid: <u>100%</u>
<u>\$1,531,425</u>	Other:
(must match resolution)	