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County Executive

Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire
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DATE: May 9, 2018

TO: Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Requesting Authority for the County of Westchester to further amend an agreement with The Sharing Community, Inc. to operate a transitional residence for homeless single men and women at a facility known as **Travers House** located at 100 Vark Street, Yonkers, NY 10701 for the period January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed of \$321,838 by extending the agreement for six (6) months to end on December 31, 2018 and by increasing the amount not to exceed by \$617,976 from an amount not to exceed of \$321,838 to a new total not to exceed of \$939,814 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation

Through a resolution approved on February 1, 2018, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (“County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (“Department”), to enter into an agreement with The Sharing Community, Inc. (“The Sharing Community”) to operate a transitional residence for homeless single men and women at a facility known as **Travers House** located at 100 Vark Street, Yonkers, NY 10701 for the period from January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed \$303,772 to be paid monthly pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation. The agreement was subsequently executed.

Through a resolution approved on March 22, 2018, your Honorable Board authorized the County to amend the aforesaid agreement in order to increase the not to exceed amount by \$18,066 to a new total not to exceed \$321,838 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation. The additional funding was to cover personnel costs as approved in the budget. The amendment was subsequently executed (the” First Amendment”).

Authority is now requested to further amend the aforesaid agreement with The Sharing Community by extending the agreement for six (6) months to end on December 31, 2018 and by increasing the amount not to exceed by \$617,976 from an amount not to exceed of \$321,838 to a new total not to exceed of \$939,814 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation. The additional funding is to cover additional personnel costs and increased fringe benefits reimbursement approved in the budget totaling \$148,069, for January through June, 2018, as well as an additional \$469,907 to cover the operations for July through December, 2018.

The **public purpose** of the proposed amendment agreement is to ensure the health and safety of an eligible homeless population by assisting homeless single men and women with transition from homelessness to economic independence and self-sufficiency through the provision of immediate transitional shelter and supportive services.

The **goals and objectives** of the program are to provide immediate transitional housing to eligible homeless single men and women. The Sharing Community-Travers House program also provides 24 hours of on-site supervision, meals, counseling and supportive services which include, but are not limited to, assistance in finding permanent housing, linkages to outside agencies for job training, drug/alcohol programs, medical treatment, education, and life skills.

The goals and objectives of this program are in **the best interests of the County in terms of public health and public safety** as they are aimed at ensuring the health and safety of the targeted population by providing immediate transitional housing and onsite supervision.

The goals and objectives are in the County's **best interests in terms of fiscal responsibility** as the services provided assist the targeted population in finding permanent housing which is less costly than emergency housing. Additionally, these shelter residents have access to employment services to support them in securing employment which enables them to move toward economic independence.

The goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored through performance measurement indicators developed by the Department. The tracking and monitoring include the submission of monthly statistics and quarterly reports as well as direct contact with the Department's staff in order to swiftly address any impediments to the program's success.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the agreement as amended shall remain in full force and effect.

Accordingly, the County of Westchester is hereby requesting authority to amend an agreement with The Sharing Community Inc. for the aforesaid purpose.

A resolution requesting the same is attached for your Honorable Board's approval.

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (“County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (“Department”), is hereby authorized to further amend the agreement with The Sharing Community, Inc., by extending the agreement for six (6) months to end on December 31, 2018 and by increasing the amount not to exceed by \$617,976 from an amount not to exceed \$321,838 to a new total not to exceed \$939,814 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the agreement as amended shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this agreement is subject to County appropriation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the “State Budget”) proposed and adopted during the term of this agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the 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 impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate this 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 implement this resolution.

Original Contract Amount:	\$303,772
First Amendment:	18,066
This Amendment:	<u>617,976</u>
Total Amended Amount:	<u>\$939,814</u>

Account to be
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
101	22	8900	5860		\$617,976

Budget Funding Year(s): 2018
(must match Resolution)

Start Date: N/A **End Date: 12/31/2018**

Funding Source

\$617,976
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars: 71%
State Aid: 29%
Federal Aid:
Other:

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/31/2018 - LISA MARIJAN SECRETARY