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County Executive

Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner

**63643**

To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner of Social Services

Date: June 11, 2018

**Re: Authority for the County to enter into an agreement with The Children's Village, Inc. to provide Aftercare to Serve Children Transitioning from Out-of-home Foster Care, for the term July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023 in the total amount not to exceed \$6,510,604, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation.**

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On July 5, 2017, the County of Westchester ("County") acting by and through its Department of Social Services ("Department") issued a Request for Proposals for "Provision of Aftercare Services for the Westchester County Department of Social Services-Children's Residential Services" (the "RFP"). The Department received seven (7) proposals, and, after evaluation by a panel of Child Welfare staff, the Department has determined that the proposal submitted by The Children's Village, Inc. received the highest score based on the criteria contained in the RFP and was determined to be the most advantageous to the Department. It is therefore recommended that your Honorable Board authorize the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with The Children's Village, Inc. to provide aftercare for children transitioning from out-of-home foster care for the term from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023 in the total not to exceed amount of \$6,510,604 for the term of the Agreement (the "Agreement") payable in an amount not to exceed \$1,252,013 in the first year; \$1,276,263 in the second year; \$1,300,527 in the third year; \$1,326,081 in the fourth year and \$1,355,720 in the fifth year, pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation.

The proposed Agreement will provide intensive, family-centered, home based services with a goal of reunification with a parent or another permanent resource, planned discharge to Another Planned Living Arrangement ("APPLA") or the youth aging out of care and permanency is achieved. These services are initiated six months prior to discharge from foster care and continue up to two (2) years post discharge from foster care with the goal to reduce time in foster care and recidivism. Aftercare will be provided for children transitioning from Voluntary Child Care Providers including Therapeutic Foster Boarding Homes, Group Homes, Congregate Care, Supervised Independent Living Program and diagnostic care. Comprehensive

and coordinated services will be provided to children from birth to age 21 and their families at the earliest point when reunification seems likely and continuing for up to two (2) years after discharge. The services to be provided will include intensive case management, as well as parenting and life skills training and preparation, mental health counseling, coaching in homemaking, budgeting assistance, connection to educational/vocational services, job training opportunities as well as substance abuse treatment and relapse prevention.

The Agreement will serve the public purpose of helping children leaving foster care in being reunified with their parents, and successfully achieve independence through intensive case management and support services. This in turn has the goal of reducing both the length of stay in foster care and recidivism, thereby reducing the need for foster care services and saving taxpayer funds.

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

KMM/DI  
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 06/21/2016 - USA MRSA/SECRETARY

## RESOLUTION

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

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester (“County”) is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with The Children’s Village, Inc. to provide aftercare for children transitioning from out-of-home foster care for the term from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023 in the total not to exceed amount of \$6,510,604, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget (the “Agreement”); and be it further

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

**RESOLVED**, that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (“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 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 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 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   |
|------|------|------|--|--------------------|---------------|-----------|
| 2018 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$194,635 |
| 2018 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5960               |               | \$431,372 |
| 2019 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$393,040 |
| 2019 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5960               |               | \$871,098 |
| 2020 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$400,581 |
| 2020 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5960               |               | \$887,814 |
| 2021 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$408,326 |
| 2021 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5960               |               | \$904,978 |
| 2022 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$416,906 |
| 2022 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5960               |               | \$923,994 |
| 2023 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$210,757 |
| 2023 | 101  | 22   | 8900                                   | 5885               |               | \$467,103 |

Budget Funding Year(s) 2018 – 2023 Start Date 7/1/18 End Date 6/30/23  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source:

|              |                    |                    |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|              | <b><u>5885</u></b> | <b><u>5960</u></b> |
| Tax Dollars: | 24%                | 44%                |
| State Aid:   | 50%                | 31%                |
| Federal Aid: | 26%                | 25%                |
| Other:       | N/A                | N/A                |

**\$6,510,604**  
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