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County Executive

Department of Probation

Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner

69450

DATE: April 26, 2019

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner of Probation

RE: **A.) AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO ACCEPT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$601,339.00 TO MEET THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER'S ("COUNTY") OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND TREATMENT SERVICES FOR JUVENILES PROGRAM ("STSJP") FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2019.**

B.) AUTHORITY TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH WESTCHESTER JEWISH COMMUNITY SERVICES ("WJCS") PURSUANT TO WHICH WJCS WILL OPERATE ITS LINKAGES PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$191,339 FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2019.

The County, acting by and through the Department of Probation (the "Department"), seeks authority from your Honorable Board to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services ("NYSOCFS") for the County to accept funding in the amount of \$601,339.00 ("Grant Funds") to meet the County's obligations under STSJP for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

Authority is also requested for the County to enter into an agreement with WJCS whereby WJCS will operate its Linkages Program for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 for an amount not to exceed \$191,339.

Administrative Office

The remaining \$410,000.00 of Grant Funds will be allocated as follows:

- Probation Juvenile Extended Operations \$140,000.00
- Westchester Alternative to Detention \$140,000.00
- Westchester Probation Clinical Assessment \$80,000.00
- Juvenile Trainings \$25,000.00
- APDS Technology Solution Suite \$25,000.00

Under the agreement WJCS will operate its Linkages program. The Linkages Program consists of assessment services for youth who have been arrested for juvenile delinquency offense and whose cases are deemed appropriate for adjustment services. Additionally, Linkages may also do assessments on court ordered Persons In Need of Supervision (“PINS”) Diversion cases when appropriate. The Department remains responsible for case planning and case management. WJCS will make every effort to engage families in the adjustment process to conduct assessments and provide diversion services and referrals as well as outreach to the victims. Assessments consist of clinical as well as YASI evaluations. The Linkages program was designed to serve Juvenile Delinquents (“JDs”) who have received appearance tickets in the County. The Linkages program served 95 youth between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018.

The Department operates the Probation Juvenile Accountability Program which serves youth throughout the County. The youth are PINS and JDs who had been adjudicated or await disposition from court on a case. The Juvenile Accountability Probation program serves approximately 300 youth in a year, 2,500 PINS contacts and 4,000 JDs. Contacts include but are not limited to face to face meetings in field, school, or phone.

The Department oversees an Alternative to Detention (“ATD”) program where juveniles step down from secure and non-secure detention to the ATD program as they transition to community-based supervision.

Lastly, the Department oversees court ordered mental health clinical evaluations for juveniles remanded to secure and non-secure detention. These clinical evaluations assist the courts in determining dispositions for these juveniles.

The outcomes are measured quarterly through collection and review of data submitted to the Chief of Planning, Research and Staff Development for the Department of Probation.

The public purpose of this contract is to prevent future delinquency, including youth violence, by working with youth before they commit a crime or engage in other delinquent behaviors. By providing services in the community, youth can stay at home with their families and continue to go to school, while still getting their needs met and saving taxpayers money.

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.

The agreement to accept State funding under the STSJP Program is does not constitute a procurement under the Westchester County Procurement Policy. The agreement with WJCS is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy under Section 3(a)xviii as it is a contract for the "...creation and support of youth service projects and appropriate programs and services for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime..."

Approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

RAP/DJ
Enclosure

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/23/2019 - LISA MRIJAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Probation, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County of Westchester ("County") to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to accept funding in an amount of \$601,339.00 to meet the County's obligations under the Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program ("STSJP") for the period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County to enter an agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services ("WJCS") whereby WJCS will operate its Linkages program for an amount not to exceed \$191,339 for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019, pursuant to an approved budget; 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 (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 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 either to 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 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
263	39	541T	9854	T541	\$601,339
263	39	541T	4380	T541	\$191,339

Budget Funding Year(s) ___ Start Date: October 1, 2018 End Date: September 30, 2019

(must match resolution)

Funding Source

\$601,339.00
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid **\$601,339.00**

Federal Aid _____

Other _____

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