



**Office of the District Attorney**  
County of Westchester

**MEMORANDUM**

**71681**

To: BOARD OF ACQUISITION AND CONTRACT

September 17, 2019

From:

ANTHONY A. SCARPINO, JR.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Re: **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,175 IN STATE FUNDS FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO OPERATE THE AID TO PROSECUTION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, PURSUANT TO AN APPROVED BUDGET.**

Authority is sought for the County of Westchester ("County") to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("DCJS") to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$500,175 in State Funds for the District Attorney's Office to operate the Aid to Prosecution Program (the "Program") for the program period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, pursuant to an approved budget (the "Agreement"). The goals and objectives of the Program are to enhance the prosecution of repeat, violent and serious felony offenders by maintaining increased levels of experienced prosecution personnel who will seek to thoroughly investigate these prosecutions to achieve just outcomes and create a safer community. These goals and objectives will promote the general welfare and public safety of the citizens of the Westchester County by expediting the arrest and prosecution of felony offenders charged with violent felony offenses, persistent felony offenders charged with non violent felony offenses and other serious felony offenders helping make the County a safer place. The goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored by the District Attorney's Office and quarterly reports will be submitted to DCJS for their review and approval.

As the Agreement does not constitute a procurement of goods or services, it is not subject to the provisions of the County Procurement Policy.

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 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.

An appropriate resolution is herewith attached for your Honorable Board's consideration.

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