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DATE: February 17, 2012

TO: The Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Mary Kate Cabaleiro, Coordinator
Westchester County Youth Bureau

RE: Authority to enter into an agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. to operate a positive youth development program, for the period from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014, for a total amount not to exceed \$685,065 payable pursuant to an approved budget

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. to operate a positive youth development program for the program period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014 in a total amount not to exceed \$685,065, pursuant to an approved budget. Funding for this program will be provided by the County in the amount of \$445,290 and by the agency in the amount of \$239,775.

Funding will be allocated across the program components as listed in the chart below. Funding per year will not exceed the amounts set forth below or is considered interchangeable amongst the components.

Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. Positive Youth Development Program Components	Funding Year	County Funding	Agency Match	Total Agreement Amount
Latino Peer Education Component	2012	\$45,000	\$24,231	
	2013	\$45,000	\$24,231	
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Riding the Parental Wave Component	2012	\$13,430	\$7,232	
	2013	\$13,430	\$7,232	
	2014	\$13,430	\$7,232	
Total Component Amount		\$40,290	\$21,696	\$61,986
TOTALS:		\$445,290	\$239,775	\$685,065

The Youth Development Program will consist of four components which are described as follows:

Latino Peer Education Program

This program will serve 55 youth ages 14 -21. The program is designed to address risky behaviors by making available optimal physical and emotional health services, opportunities and supports that highlight and help to prevent health risk behaviors by providing pregnancy prevention, alcohol/substance abuse education and health education.

Outcome:

55 students (100%) enrolled in our program (Sleepy Hollow & White Plains High Schools) will be free from health risk behaviors (substance use, poor nutrition, unsafe sexual behaviors) as measured by 0% pregnancies among participating youth and 0% school disciplinary actions recorded.

Parent Child Home

This program will serve 120 youth ages 0-6. The program is designed to address school readiness issues by making available education services, opportunities and supports by providing academic/education related services and basic literacy support.

Outcome: 120 youth enrolled in the PCHP program will meet or exceed high standards for academic performance and demonstrate knowledge and skills for lifelong learning and self-sufficiency in a dynamic world as measured by 20% gain in Family Participation Assessment for PCHP participants and evidenced in gain in overall score of Parent and Child Together (administered by WJCS Psychologist).

Riding the Parental Wave

This program will serve 32 parents of youth ages 0-6. The program is designed to address child abuse & neglect prevention by making available family related services, opportunities and supports to ensure youth safe, stable and nurturing environments by providing child abuse & neglect prevention/education, family support and parenting skills.

Outcome: 24 parents/care givers will possess and practice adequate child rearing skills as measured by class surveys and “The Family Support Scale” to determine changes in knowledge, skills and/or information gained.

Off the Street

This program will serve 87 youth ages 7 to 13 and 14 to 21. For the 7 to 13 year olds, the program is designed to support healthy relationships by making available optimal citizenship and civic engagement services, opportunities and supports by providing character education, a safe place out of school time and youth leadership/empowerment opportunities. For the 14 to 21 year olds, the program is designed to address unemployment and lack of job/career/college readiness skills by making available economic security services, opportunities and supports by providing job training and college exploration and readiness.

Outcome (7-13 yr. olds):

50 students enrolled in our program understand and develop positive peer interactions as measured by the child/youth resilience survey, relevant behavioral report card categories, qualitative survey from mentors and parents and the gender based (Hardy Girls and Boys to Men) program evaluations.

Outcome (14-21 yr. olds):

21 out of 23 youth enrolled in our program will have the skills, attitudes and competencies to enter college, the workforce or other meaningful activities as measured by the WJCS Job Competency Scale and a pre/post administration of the Individual Protective Factors Index: A Measure of Adolescent Resiliency.

Each of the outcomes as stated above will be tracked and monitored through monthly, quarterly and annual reports, Report Cards and by bi-yearly site visits from Youth Bureau Program Monitors.

Of the four components listed above, Parent Child Home and Off the Street were previously funded. Their outcomes are as follows:

Parent Child Home:

Planned Outcome:

1. Of the 23 random selected Parent Child Dyads observed using the PACT (Parent and Child Together assessment tool) used by Evidenced based National Parent Child Home Program 90% (21) will improve in their overall score.

Result:

Of the 23 random selected Parent Child Dyads observed using the PACT (Parent and Child Together assessment tool) used by Evidenced based National Parent Child Home Program 100% or all 23 improved in their overall score.

Planned Outcome:

2. Of the 153 children who participate in PCHP, 80% (122) will improve in school readiness skills as evidenced by 20% gain under Child's Activity section of Family Participation Assessment Form FPAF

Result:

In 2010- 2011 PCHP, 118 (100% of participants) have improved in school readiness skills as evidenced by a gain of 23% under the Child's Activity section in the Family Participation Assessment Form (FPAF) post completed in June 2011 thus surpassing outcome goal of gain of 20%. The remaining (153-118 children) 35 children who entered PCHP in Fall of 2011 and will be reassessed in June 2012 the close of program year. Note that 2011 overlaps 2 program years.

Planned Outcome:

3. Of the 153 PCHP who participate in PCHP 80% will improve in social emotional development as evidenced by a 20% gain in Child's Activity Section of FPAF.

Result:

In 2010 -2011 PCHP, 100% (118) participants have improved in social emotional development as evidenced by a 27 % gain in the FPAF. This outcomes surpasses goal of 20% gain. The remaining children 35 children who entered PCHP in Fall 2011 will be reassessed in June 2012.

Off the Street

Planned Outcome:

1.Of the projected 86 youth, ages 6 to 12 (grades 2 through 6), who will participate in the Off the Street program during the school year, 54 will improve academically as measured by report card grades, the WRAT-3 pre and post tests (Wide Range Achievement Test, which measures what is learned rather than intelligence), and teachers reports.

Result:

1.Of the 89 youth actually served, ages 6 to 12 (grades 2 through 6), who participated in the Off the Street program during the 2011 school year, 31 improved academically as measured by report card grades, the WRAT-3 pre and post tests (Wide Range Achievement Test, which measures what is learned rather than intelligence), and teachers reports. Not included in these numbers are the 21 students that maintained at least or 3 or 4 (no improvement needed), the 32 students that we were not able to post test yet due to the school calendar and 5 students that did not show improvement.

Planned Outcome:

2. Of the projected 86 youth, ages 6 to 12 (grades 2 through 6), that will participate in the Off the Street program during the school year, 54 will improve attitudes and behavior work habits as measured by report card categories that relate to behavior, teachers reports, parent comments, and behavior in the program.

Result:

2. Of the 89 youth actually served, ages 6 to 12 (grades 2 through 6), who participated in the Off the Street program during the 2011 school year, 24 improved attitudes and behavior work habits as measured by report card categories that relate to behavior, teachers reports, parent comments, and behavior in the program. Not included in these numbers are the 27 students that maintained at least or 3 or 4 (no improvement needed) 32 students that we were not able to post test yet due to the school calendar and 6 students that did not show improvement.

Planned Outcome:

3. Of the projected 24 tutor/mentor adolescents employed, who will work in Off the Street, 22 will demonstrate satisfactory job performance as measured by earning at least a 3 out of 5 on the WJCS job competency scale.

Result:

3. Of the 28 tutors/mentors actually served, who worked in the Off the Street program, 17 demonstrated satisfactory job performance as measured by earning at least a 3 (out of possible 5) on the WJCS Job Competency Scale, and through program attendance and attendance at training sessions

Planned Outcome:

4. Of the projected 24 tutors/mentors, ages 14 to 18 who will work in the Off the Street program, 24 will maintain their academic performance levels or improve academically, as measured in report cards collected three times annually.

Result:

4. Of the 24 tutors/mentors served, who worked in the Off the Street program, 17 maintained their academic performance levels or improved academically, as measured in report cards collected three times annually.

This Agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a)xviii thereof. Nevertheless, in 2011 the Youth Bureau issued an RFP to cover the program years 2012 – 2014. This agency is one of 39 agencies that submitted a proposal in response to the RFP. After careful evaluation, the agency listed above was selected by the Youth Bureau for funding as part of the Youth Bureau's Resource Allocation Plan. The agency has agreed to be bound by the proposal they submitted for the full three-year period.

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

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Coordinator of the Westchester County Youth Bureau, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. to provide a positive youth development program, for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014, in a total amount not to exceed Six Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Sixty Five (\$685,065) Dollars payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding will be allocated across the program components as listed in the chart below. Funding per year will not exceed the amounts set forth below or is considered interchangeable amongst the components;

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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 Agreements. 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 that Contractor shall have the right to terminate their 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. code	Unit #	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
<u>2012</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0400</u>	<u>4380</u>		<u>\$148,430</u>
<u>2013</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0400</u>	<u>4380</u>		<u>\$148,430</u>
<u>2014</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0400</u>	<u>4380</u>		<u>\$148,430</u>

Budget Funding Year(s) 2012-14 Start Date January 1, 2012 End Date December 31, 2014
 (must match resolution)

2012 Funding Source Tax Dollars \$148,430
\$ 228,355 Other \$79,925 (provided by the agency)
 (must match resolution)

2013 Funding Source Tax Dollars \$148,430
\$ 228,355 Other \$79,925 (provided by the agency)
 (must match resolution)

2014 Funding Source Tax Dollars \$148,430
\$ 228,355 Other \$79,925 (provided by the agency)
 (must match resolution)

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 03/02/2012 - JOMARY VEIRA, SECRETARY