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DATE: February 10, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin M. McGuire
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SUBJECT: Authority to amend Six Grant Agreements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) in the aggregate amount of \$1,965,078 pursuant to HUD’s Continuum of Care Program in order to modify the budgets in five of the Grant Agreements and to change the population served in one of the Grant Agreements

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (the “Department”), to amend the following grant agreements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) which accepted Continuum of Care program grants as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Revised Terms</u>
\$107,001	NY0624L2T041204	11/1/13–10/31/14	Transitional housing for LGBTQ youth
\$329,915	NY0864L2T041201	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
\$209,400	NY0502L2T041205	9/1/13 –8/31/14	Modify Budget to lease units
		Operational support for 80 households in transitional housing units	

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\$535,192	NY0750L2T041203	10/1/13 –9/30/14	Modify Budget
	Scattered site permanent housing for chronically homeless or disabled adults		
\$668,081	NY0862L2T041201	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
	Permanent housing subsidies to parents between 18 and 24		
\$115,489	NY0860L2T041201	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
	Permanent supportive for physically disabled homeless adults		
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\$1,965,078	TOTAL		

The requested grant amendments are required as a result of the passage of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (“HEARTH”) Act of 2009 which amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 USC 11302 et seq). All other terms and conditions of the Grant Agreements shall remain in full force and effect.

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.) and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

The amendment to the Grant Agreement with HUD is not a procurement and therefore the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy do not apply.

The proposed agreements will serve a **public purpose** by providing the funds necessary for the County to pay for Continuum of Care programs designed to provide transitional and permanent housing to DSS’s homeless clients.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Grant Amendment Agreements are to enable the County to continue its Continuum of Care program.

The goals and objectives of the proposed amendment agreements are in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as the proposed grant amendment agreements will make available to the County the funds necessary to implement the aforementioned program. The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements are also in the best interests of the County in terms of both fiscal responsibility and public health and safety as the programs funded by the proposed agreement will be aimed at ensuring the well being and safety of the targeted population and addressing the issues of homelessness and welfare dependency in the County which can reduce the costs associated with social services provided by the County.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements will be tracked and monitored by the Department in accordance with the requirements of HUD. The Department will be required to submit Annual Progress Reports to HUD as a requirement of receiving the funding to be provided under the proposed agreements. These multi-page Annual Progress Reports capture statistical data on those served, the various categories they fall into, the milestones reached, the money expended, etc., which must match the program outlined in the Department's Technical Submission.

I respectfully recommend your Honorable Board's approval of the attached Resolution.

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RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Social Services, is hereby authorized to enter into amendments of grant agreements which accepted Continuum of Care program grants as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Revised Terms</u>
\$107,001	NY0624L2T041204 Transitional housing for domestic violence victims	11/1/13–10/31/14	Transitional housing for LGBTQ youth
\$329,915	NY0864L2T041201 Transitional housing for young adults	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
\$209,400	NY0502L2T041205 Operational support for 80 households in transitional housing units	9/1/13 –8/31/14	Modify Budget to lease units
\$535,192	NY0750L2T041203 Scattered site permanent housing for chronically homeless or disabled adults	10/1/13 –9/30/14	Modify Budget
\$668,081	NY0862L2T041201 Permanent housing subsidies to parents between 18 and 24	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
\$115,489	NY0860L2T041201 Permanent supportive for physically disabled homeless adults	12/1/13 –11/30/14	Modify Budget
<u>\$1,965,078</u>	TOTAL		

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of the Grant Agreements shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, or his authorized designee, is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Original Agreements: \$1,965,078
 This Amendment 0
 TOTAL \$1,965,078

Account to be
 Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Budget Funding Year(s): 2014 Start Date: N/A End Date: N/A
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: N/A
 State Aid: N/A
\$N/A Federal Aid: N/A
 must match resolution) Other: N/A

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