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Department of Social Services

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DATE: March 27, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin M. McGuire
Commissioner of Social Services

SUBJECT: Amendment of a prior resolution approved on October 31, 2013, wherein authority was given to the County of Westchester, by and through its Department of Social Services, to 1) accept a renewal grant award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) pursuant to HUD’s “Continuum of Care” project for the period November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 in the amount of \$107,001; and 2) enter into an agreement with HOPE Community Services, Inc. for a term November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$107,001 to provide transitional housing and supportive services to domestic violence victims in order to shift the targeted population from victims of domestic violence to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24.

On October 31, 2013, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (the “Department”), to accept a renewal grant award in the amount of \$107,001 (Grant NoNY0624L2T041204) (the “grant”) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pursuant to HUD’s “Continuum of Care” project, to continue funding for a supportive housing program to provide transitional housing and supportive services to domestic violence victims (the “transitional housing program”) for a period November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014, and to enter into an agreement with HOPE Community Services, Inc. (“HOPE”) as HUD’s sub-recipient of the renewal grant award for the operation of the transitional housing program for a term November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$107,001. An Agreement with HOPE has not yet been executed.

On November 13, 2013, HOPE and the Department requested approval from HUD to shift the target population of the aforesaid grant from domestic violence victims to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24 and said approval was granted by HUD on or about January, 2014. LGBTQ youth have been identified as a vulnerable and underserved population in the County.

On March 6, 2014, your Honorable Board authorized the Department to amend six HUD grant agreements including the aforesaid grant agreement, specifically authorizing that the targeted population of this grant be changed from victims of domestic violence to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24.

Therefore, authority is being requested herein to amend the prior resolution approved by your Honorable Board on October 31, 2013 which authorized the agreement with HOPE as HUD's sub-recipient of the grant for the operation of the transitional housing program pursuant to HUD's Continuum of Care project in a not-to-exceed amount of \$107,001 for the term November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014, to shift the targeted population from victims of domestic violence to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24.

All of the remaining terms and conditions of the prior resolution dated October 31, 2014 shall remain the same and in full force and effect.

The amendment to the resolution is not a procurement and therefore the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy do not apply.

Both the amendment to the resolution and the resulting agreement with HOPE will **serve a public purpose** by providing LGBTQ youth aged 18-24 with the ability to transition their housing from the streets, homeless shelters or emergency shelters, to permanent housing and with support services to enable their future economic self sufficiency.

The **goals and objectives** of the proposed amendment to the resolution and the resulting agreement with HOPE shall be for HOPE's operation of the program for nine units of transitional housing and supportive services for LGBTQ youth aged 18-24 who meet HUD's Continuum of Care homeless eligibility requirements.

The goals and objective are in the County's **best interests** regarding **fiscal responsibility** as they provide the funding for and operation of the transitional housing program that will aid in the transition of LGBTQ youth aged 18-24 from homelessness to permanent housing and economic self sufficiency that correspondingly reduces the County's public assistance expenditures.

The goals and objectives are also in the County's **best interests** regarding **public health and safety** as they provide the funding for and the operation of the transitional housing program to help keep LGBTQ youth safe.

The **goals and objectives** shall be tracked and monitored by the Department.

Accordingly, authority is hereby requested that the resolution approved by your Honorable Board on October 31, 2013 be amended to reflect the change in the target population of the grant award from victims of domestic violence to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24, as described herein.

A resolution authorizing same is attached herewith for your Honorable Board's approval.

KMM/PS/lac
Attachment

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RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the resolution approved on October 31, 2013 (the “Resolution”) authorizing the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (the “Department”), to enter into a renewal grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) to receive and administer a grant (Grant No. NY0624L2T041204) in the amount of \$107,001 (the “grant”) to continue funding for a supportive housing program that provides transitional housing and supportive services to domestic violence victims (the “transitional housing program”) for a term November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 and to enter into an agreement with HOPE Community Services, Inc. for the provision of the transitional housing program is hereby amended to shift the targeted population from victims of domestic violence to LGBTQ youth aged 18-24; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all of the terms and conditions of the Resolution shall remain the same and 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 implement this Resolution.

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): N/A
(must match resolution)

Start Date: N/A

End Date: N/A

Funding Source

N/A
(must match the resolution)

Tax Dollars: N/A

State Aid: N/A

Federal Aid: N/A

Other:

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