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County Executive

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TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Robin Schlaff
Director, Office for Women
Hon. Michael B. Kaplowitz, Chairman
Westchester County Board of Legislators

DATE: April 14, 2014

SUBJECT: Authority to amend an agreement with the Women's Enterprise Development Center, Inc. to provide microenterprise training and assistance to poor and minority women by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$21,794

On March 28, 2013, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the Women's Enterprise Development Center, Inc. (the "Center"), pursuant to which the Center will provide microenterprise training and assistance to poor and minority women to assist them in reaching economic self-sufficiency, for a term commencing January 1, 2013 and continuing through December 31, 2015, for an amount not-to-exceed exceed \$179,370 (the "Agreement"). The Agreement was subsequently executed.

Authority is now respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to amend the Agreement by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$21,794, from an amount not-to-exceed \$179,370 to an amount not-to-exceed \$201,164. This additional funding will only be applied to the 2014 budget within the Agreement.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same.

The proposed amendment will serve a public purpose by providing additional funding for the Center to provide more women with the training necessary to become economically self-sufficient. The skills learned by participants enable them to depend less on government entitlements or not at all. Some graduates augment their low incomes with entrepreneurship, while others are able to support themselves entirely. Some even hire staff, creating new avenues for employment for Westchester residents.

The goal and objective of the proposed amendment is to provide additional funding for the Center to provide additional microenterprise training and assistance to poor and minority women.

The goal and objective of the proposed amendment will be tracked and monitored by the Office for Women.

Attached for your consideration is a proposed resolution.

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Director of the Office for Women and the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") is hereby authorized to amend an agreement with the Women's Enterprise Development Center, Inc. (the "Center"), pursuant to which the Center will provide microenterprise training and assistance to poor and minority women to assist them in reaching economic self-sufficiency, for a term commencing January 1, 2013 and continuing through December 31, 2015, for an amount not-to-exceed exceed \$179,370 (the "Agreement"), in order to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$21,794, from an amount not-to-exceed \$179,370 to an amount not-to-exceed \$201,164; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this additional funding will only be applied to the 2014 budget within the Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be charged/credited:

FUND	DEPT	Major Program, Program & Phase, Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars	Funding Year
101	52	2508	5100	N/A	\$20,000	2014
101	11	0900	4380	N/A	\$1,794	2014

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 1/1/2014

End Date: 12/31/2014

\$21,794
(must match resolution)

Funding Source:

Tax Dollars \$21,794

State Aid _____

Federal Aid _____

Other _____