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Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner

**43618**

DATE: December 2, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Kevin M. McGuire,  
Commissioner, Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Labor in order to accept an H1-B Job Training Grant in the amount of \$9,868,337.00 under its Ready To Work Partnership initiative, to be used to provide services to match long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers to accelerated re-employment, short-term and long-term training, and work opportunities in high-demand H-1B-eligible healthcare occupations, for a term commencing November 1, 2014 and continuing through October 31, 2018.

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Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester, acting on behalf of the Westchester-Putnam Local Workforce Investment Board, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Labor ("DOL") in order to accept an H1-B Job Training grant in the amount of \$9,868,337.00 under DOL's Ready To Work Partnership initiative, to be used to provide services to match long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers to accelerated re-employment, short-term and long-term training, and work opportunities in high-demand H-1B-eligible healthcare occupations (the "Services"), for a term commencing November 1, 2014 and continuing through October 31, 2018.

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

The proposed agreement will serve a public purpose by providing the funds necessary for the County to provide the Services, which will benefit both long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreement is to provide the funds necessary for the County to provide the Services, which will benefit both long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreement is in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as the proposed agreement will make available to the County Federal funds for the aforementioned Services that will benefit both long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers. The goal and objective of the proposed agreement is also in the best interests of the County in terms of public health, as the individuals who receive the Services will be those either presently working in or seeking to work in healthcare occupations.

The goal and objective of the proposed agreement will be tracked and monitored by the County, through its Department of Social Services.

The proposed agreement does not constitute procurement. Accordingly, the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy do not apply.

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

KMM/DB/bdm/njt

**RESOLUTION**

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

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester, acting on behalf of the Westchester-Putnam Local Workforce Investment Board, (the “County”) is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Labor (“DOL”) in order to accept an H1-B Job Training grant in the amount of \$9,868,337.00 under DOL’s Ready To Work Partnership initiative, to be used to provide services to match long-term unemployed workers and incumbent workers to accelerated re-employment, short-term and long-term training, and work opportunities in high-demand H-1B-eligible healthcare occupations, for a term commencing November 1, 2014 and continuing through October 31, 2018; 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.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
275	22	T547P	9856	T547	\$9,868,337

Budget Funding Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 11/01/14

End Date: 10/31/18

Funding Source

\$9,868,377.  
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars:

State Aid:

Federal Aid: 100%

Other:

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - CHRISTOPHER DOMANUEIRA, SECRETARY