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DATE: August 26, 2015

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Robin Schlaff
Director, Office for Women

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with the Town of Greenburgh, pursuant to which it will provide certain work funded by a grant from the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, under its Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program, for the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,880.00.

By a resolution approved on November 6, 2014 (the "November 6th Resolution"), your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, (the "DOJ") in order to accept a grant awarded to the County by the DOJ under the DOJ's Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (the "Grant"), in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00), for the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older (the "Grant Agreement"). The Grant Agreement was subsequently executed.

As specified in the November 6th Resolution, in order to meet the requirements of the application for the Grant, the County identified various subcontractors and other partners with whom the County will work in its performance of the Grant-funded work. Those parties (each a "Partner") include Pace University ("Pace"); Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. ("WestCOP"); The Hebrew Home for the Aged at Riverdale ("HHAR"); and the Town of Greenburgh (the "Town"). As also specified in the November 6th Resolution, the County intended to separately seek authority from your Honorable Board to enter into agreements with those parties, as necessary.

By a resolution approved on March 26, 2015, your Honorable Board authorized the County to enter into a Grant-funded agreement with each of Pace, WestCOP, and HHAR, for a term commencing on October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017, pursuant to which each Partner was to provide various services for various not-to-exceed amounts. Each of those agreements was subsequently executed.

By Act 133-2015, which was approved by the Westchester County Board of Legislators on August 10, 2015, (the "Act") the County was authorized to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town, pursuant to which the Town will provide the County with certain work, as defined below, (the "Work") that is funded by the Grant, for the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,880.00 (the "IMA").

As specified in the Act, the Work shall be the following:

- Send one (1) law enforcement officer to the DOJ-sponsored three-day law enforcement "Training of Trainers."
- Participate with the County's other 'Partners' in the Grant as part of the multidisciplinary training team in the local (one-day, eight-hour) trainings for law enforcement that will use the curriculum approved by DOJ.
- Send one hundred and fifteen (115) law enforcement officers to the local (one-day, eight-hour) trainings for law enforcement that will use the curriculum approved by DOJ.
- Send twenty-five (25) detectives and investigators to the local advanced law enforcement training by national experts, organized by one of the County's other 'Partners' in the Grant.
- Participate in the cross-training "Kickoff" event.
- Support ongoing multidisciplinary collaborative community efforts addressing abuse in later life.
- Conduct a review of Town policies and protocols to ensure that they are designed to aid in improving the identification, investigation, prosecution and adjudication of cases of elder abuse, exploitation and neglect, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.
- Capitalize on close working relationships with local judges to encourage them to attend the four-day national judicial institute on elder abuse, neglect and exploitation.

Accordingly, authority is now respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into the IMA with the Town.

The proposed IMA will serve a public purpose by providing the County with the services it needs in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

The goal and objective of the proposed IMA is to provide the County with the services it needs in order to provide or enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

The goal and objective of the proposed IMA is in the best interests of the County in terms of the public health, safety and general welfare, as educating service providers on the specific needs of older victims may enable them to be better equipped to assist victims, enhancing victim safety and independence. Victims who are empowered to learn how to develop and maintain their own safety are not as likely to return to dependence on their abusers.

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

The procurement of the proposed IMA is exempt from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)(xi) thereof, which exempts “any procurement made pursuant to procurement procedures provided for under any other federal or state law applicable to such procurement,” as the County complied with the procedures specified by DOJ for the Grant.

Accordingly, I recommend adoption of the proposed resolution.

RS/SED/bdm/nn

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 09/24/2015 - JOAN COCCARDO, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Director of the Office for Women, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an intermunicipal agreement (the "IMA") with the Town of Greenburgh (the "Town"), pursuant to which the Town will provide the County with certain work, as defined below, (the "Work") for the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,880.00, which is to be funded by a grant from the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, (the "DOJ") under the DOJ's Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program; and be it further

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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 Years
263	11	544P	4380	T544	\$15,880.00	2014-2017

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014-2017 **Start Date:** 10/1/2014 **End Date:** 9/30/2017
(must match resolution)

\$15,880.00

(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
Federal Aid 100% _____
Other _____

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