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DATE: March 27, 2017
TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
FROM: Robin Schlaff
Director, Office for Women
SUBJECT: Authority to:

- 1.) Amend a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, pursuant to which the County accepted a grant in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) under the Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program, for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, by extending the term thereof from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018;
- 2.) Amend an agreement with Pace University pursuant to which Pace agreed to serve as program coordinator and trainer, assume overall responsibility for local training efforts, and provide other related services in connection with the Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program for a term commencing on October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017 for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget, by: a) expanding the scope of services to include limited legal assistance to elder abuse victims ages 50+; b) extending the term of the Agreement from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018; and c) increasing the not-to-exceed amount thereunder by an additional \$21,000; and
- 3.) Enter into a new agreement with Family Services of Westchester, Inc. ("FSW") pursuant to which FSW will provide the services of a case manager to provide assistance to 50-60 elder abuse victims ages 50+ to determine their needs, create a plan and coordinate services under the Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program for the period from March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 for an amount not-to-exceed \$79,000.00, pursuant to an approved budget

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 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.

Thereafter, by resolution approved on March 26, 2015, your Honorable Board authorized the County, *inter alia*, to enter into an agreement with Pace University ("Pace"), pursuant to which Pace would serve as program coordinator and trainer, assume overall responsibility for local training efforts, and provide other related services concerning the Grant, for a term commencing on October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017 for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget (the "Pace Agreement"). The Pace Agreement was subsequently executed.

As noted above, although the Grant is for a total amount of \$400,000.00, the DOJ required the County to leave \$100,000.00 unallocated until the Implementation Phase ("Phase II"). In order for the funds to be released, the County was required to:

- 1) complete the Planning Phase ("Phase I"); and
- 2) submit and receive DOJ approval of a strategic plan for outreach and service delivery as well as a budget.

The County has complied with the above two requirements and now seeks to move forward with Phase II to implement the services outlined in the Planning Phase. Under Phase II, the County will utilize the remaining \$100,000.00 budgeted under the Grant for this purpose. In addition, in order to have sufficient time to complete Phase II, both the Grant Agreement and the Pace Agreement will need to be extended for five additional months.

Accordingly, authority is now respectfully requested for the County to amend the Grant Agreement with the DOJ pursuant to which the County accepted a grant in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) under the Grant for the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017, by extending the term thereof from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018.

Authority is also requested to amend the Pace Agreement, by: a) expanding the scope of services to include limited legal assistance to elder abuse victims ages 50+; b) extending the term of the Agreement from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018; and c) increasing the not-to-exceed amount thereunder by an additional \$21,000, to compensate Pace for additional services to be rendered.

Lastly, authority is requested for the County to enter into a new agreement with FSW pursuant to which FSW will provide the services of a case manager to provide assistance to 50-60 elder abuse victims ages 50+ to determine their needs, create a plan and coordinate services under the Grant for the period from March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 for an amount not-to-exceed \$79,000.00, pursuant to an approved budget (the "FSW Agreement").

Except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

Except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Pace Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

The proposed agreements 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 agreements 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 agreements 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 agreements will be tracked and monitored by the Office for Women.

The procurement of the proposed agreements 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.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 04/20/2010 - JOHN COCCARDI, CLERK

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:

- 1) Amend a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice, acting by and through its Office on Violence Against Women, pursuant to which the County accepted a grant in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) under the Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (the "Grant"), for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017 (the "Grant Agreement"), by extending the term thereof from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018; and
- 2) Amend an agreement with Pace University ("Pace") pursuant to which Pace agreed to serve as program coordinator and trainer, assume overall responsibility for local training efforts, and provide other related services in connection with the Grant for a term commencing on October 1, 2014 and continuing through September 30, 2017 for an amount not-to-exceed \$195,162.00, pursuant to an approved budget (the "Pace Agreement"), by: a) expanding the scope of services to include limited legal assistance to elder abuse victims ages 50+; b) extending the term of the Agreement from October 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018; and c) increasing the not-to-exceed amount thereunder by an additional \$21,000; and
- 3) Enter into a new agreement with Family Services of Westchester, Inc. ("FSW") pursuant to which FSW will provide the services of a case manager to provide assistance to 50-60 elder abuse victims ages 50+ to determine their needs, create a plan and coordinate services under the Grant for the period from March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 for an amount not-to-exceed \$79,000.00, pursuant to an approved budget (the "FSW Agreement").

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Agreement will remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Pace Agreement will remain in full force and effect; 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	Revenue Source	Trust Account	Dollars	Funding Year(s)
263	11	544P	9852	T544	\$100,000	2017-2018

Budget Funding Year(s) 2017-2018 **Start Date:** 3/1/2017 **End Date:** 2/28/2018
(must match resolution)

\$100,000
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
Federal Aid \$100,000
Other _____