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County Executive

Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner

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To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Kevin M. McGuire  
Commissioner of Social Services

Date: October 25, 2019

Re: **Authority for the County of Westchester to enter into a grant agreement with the Casey Family Programs in the sum of \$8,000 to collaborate on mutual peer technical assistance in relation to the County's Peer to Peer Youth Mentoring Program for the term September 25, 2019 through December 31, 2020.**

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The County of Westchester ("County") acting by and through its Department of Social Services ("Department") applied for a grant from the Casey Family Programs ("CFP") to provide mutual peer technical assistance in relation to Department's Peer to Peer Youth mentoring program, and in September was awarded a grant in the sum of \$8,000 (the "Grant"), to provide a collaboration project with the goal of reducing foster care placement. A Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") to implement the Grant for the term September 25, 2019 through December 31, 2020 is required. The funds received from this Grant will fund transportation and lodging for Department personnel to attend up to three meetings with CFP to draft a framework for the collaboration.

Accordingly authority is requested to enter into an MOU with the CFP to accept the Grant and provide mutual peer technical assistance in relation to Department's Peer to Peer Youth mentoring program in the sum of \$8,000 for the term September 25, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

Pursuant to the proposed MOU the County would have the goal of reducing placement in foster care by 50% over the term of the Grant.

The MOU would serve the public purpose of providing funds to reduce foster care placements, thereby saving taxpayer funds. The MOU would also potentially allow families to stay together avoiding institutional foster care placement.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board to authorize the County to enter into an MOU to accept the Grant with the Casey Family Program. A resolution is annexed hereto, which I recommend for your favorable consideration.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 10/31/2019 - LISA M. P. J. SECRETARY

## RESOLUTION

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

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding to accept a grant from the Casey Family Programs in the sum of \$8,000.00 in order to provide mutual peer technical assistance in relation to the Department of Social Service's Peer to Peer Youth mentoring program in for the term September 25, 2019 through December 31, 2020; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is empowered 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
	263	22	T13U	9856	T1013	\$8,000

Budget Funding Year(s) :2019  
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 9/25/19 End Date: 12/31/20

Funding Source

Tax Dollars: N/A

State Aid: N/A

\$8,000  
(must match resolution)

Federal Aid: N/A

Other: 100%