



George Latimer
County Executive



Benjamin Boykin II
Chairman,
Westchester County
Board of Legislators

ID # 81055

DATE: November 25, 2020

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Hon. Benjamin Boykin II
Chairman, Westchester County Board of Legislators

and

Hon. George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

SUBJECT: Request for authority for the County of Westchester (“County”) to enter into an agreement (“Agreement”) with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. (“WJCS”) pursuant to which WJCS will provide its “Nurturing Parenting” program for the period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

The attached Resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County to enter into the Agreement with WJCS, pursuant to which WJCS shall provide its Nurturing Parenting Program for the period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, and payable in full upon execution of the Agreement.

The Nurturing Parenting Program is a program of WJCS’ Trager Lemp Center for Treating Trauma and Promoting Resilience (“TLC”). This trauma-informed initiative parallels and complements the center’s practices and clinical work that utilize research-proven, family-centered approaches to recognize and address the traumatic impact of violence and abuse. Since the inception of the Nurturing Parenting Program in 2015, the program has impacted the lives of 84 mothers and their children in Yonkers. Staff have witnessed the positive impact of the strength-based, interactive non-clinical approach on both mothers and children.

Through the administration of the Program, the proposed Agreement will serve a public purpose in assisting with the prevention of child abuse and the intergenerational transmission of trauma and abuse. The Program will target mothers and children living in Southern Westchester (Yonkers and Mount Vernon). The model utilized in this initiative includes a Kids' Club and Mom's Empowerment Group, using evidence based curriculum from the Nurturing Parenting model.

The Agreement is exempt from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a) viii thereof.

It is respectfully requested and recommended that your Honorable Board approve the annexed Resolution.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 12/10/2020 - LISA MRISAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the County Executive, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is authorized to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. ("WJCS"), for a term beginning on January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020, pursuant to which WJCS will provide its Nurturing Parenting program for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00., payable pursuant to an approved budget, and payable upon execution of the Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of the Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoptions(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate the Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, or his duly authorized designee, is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be
Charged/Credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Sub Unit	Amount (in Dollars)
101	52	2508	5100	0010	\$25,000.00
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Budget Funding Year(s) _____ Start Date 1/1/2020 End Date 12/31/2020
(must match resolution)

Funding Source _____ Tax Dollars \$50,000.00

State Aid _____

\$50,000.00 Federal Aid _____

(must match resolution)

Other _____