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DATE: February 24, 2021

TO: Board of Acquisition & Contract

FROM: Mae Carpenter, Commissioner
Department of Senior Programs and Services

RE: Request for authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept a grant in an amount not-to-exceed \$63,246 in federal funds under Title III-D of the Older Americans Act to implement the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program for seniors, for the period commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021.

The County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the "Department"), seeks the authority of your Honorable Board to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept a grant in an amount not-to-exceed \$63,246 in federal funds under Title III-D of the Older Americans Act to implement the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (the "Program"), for the period commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021. The entire federal funding will be used by the Department to provide the Program.

The proposed agreement will serve a public purpose by providing Westchester County seniors with services and activities that will foster good health, increase awareness and understanding of healthy lifestyles and promote physical and mental health. These services may include: peer-to-peer education classes; promotion of early detection of various chronic diseases through peer education; training sessions on how to self-manage chronic diseases; the promotion of early detection of various health problems, through education and/or testing; stress education and medication management workshops, and the administration of influenza and other vaccines.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreement are to promote the development of wellness activities and preventive health activities that will promote good health in Westchester County seniors by increasing their awareness and knowledge of how to self-manage chronic diseases and develop healthy lifestyles.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreement are in the best interests of Westchester County in terms of the promotion of public health, as the aim of the services to be funded by the grant is to reduce or delay hospitalizations or institutionalization, thereby reducing Medicaid costs for the County, State and Federal governments and improving the general well-being of the County's elderly.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreement will be tracked and monitored through monthly reporting activities and reviews to determine if performance goals and objectives of the Program are being met in a fiscally responsible and appropriate fashion.

Since agreements to accept grants do not constitute procurements, the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures are not applicable to this agreement.

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.

Accordingly, approval of the attached resolution is most respectfully recommended.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACTS - 03/11/2024 - 10A MRK/MS SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM MAE CARPENTER, COMMISSIONER OF THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept a grant in an amount not-to-exceed \$63,246 in federal funds under Title IIID of the Older Americans Act to implement the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (the "Program") for seniors, for the period commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

	Fund	Dept.	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
Account to be credited	263	85	943W	9853	T-943	\$63,246

Budget Funding Years 2021
(must match resolution)

Start Date 1/1/2021

End Date 12/31/2021

Funding Source

Federal Aid \$63,246

\$63,246

(must match resolution)