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Department of Social Services

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DATE: February 9, 2021

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Leonard G. Townes
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Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: Authority for the County of Westchester (the "County") to:

- (1) amend a grant agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services ("OCFS") to accept a grant in the amount of \$43,350.00 pursuant to OCFS' Safe Harbour: NY program, by extending the term of the grant agreement for an additional month, from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021.
- (2) amend agreements with: (1) Children's Village, Inc.; (2) International Organization for Adolescents ("IOFA"); and (3) Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. (Dr. Carol Chu), in connection with the aforesaid grant agreement with OCFS, by extending the terms thereof for an additional month, from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021, at no additional cost to the County.

By resolution approved on March 26, 2020, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Social Services (the "Department") to enter into an agreement with OCFS (the "Grant Agreement") to accept grant funds in the amount of \$43,350.00 pursuant to OCFS' Safe Harbour: NY program ("Safe Harbour"), for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The Grant Agreement was subsequently executed.

Thereafter, by resolution approved on April 23, 2020, your Honorable Board authorized the County, utilizing the aforesaid grant funds, to enter into agreements with the following: (1) Children's Village, Inc. ("Children's Village") in the amount of \$26,780 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 wherein Children's Village would provide a wraparound program of pro-social,

peer mentorship, transportation and youth leadership opportunities; (2) International Organization for Adolescents (“IOFA”) in the amount of \$5,000 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for the provision of Safe Harbour retreats; and (3) Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. (“WJCS”) (Dr. Carol Chu) in the amount of \$4,465 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for the provision of clinical consultations regarding youth who have experienced trauma (collectively the “Agency Agreements”). It should be noted that the remainder of the grant funds in the amount of \$7,105.00, were to be utilized by the Department Safe Harbour staff to attend training sessions including but not limited to the Safe Harbour Summit in Syracuse, New York. The Agency Agreements were subsequently executed.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department was unable to spend down the funds authorized under the 2020 Grant Agreement and Agency Agreements. OCFS has given the County an extension to spend down this funding during the period from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021. As such, it has now become necessary to amend both the Grant Agreement and the Agency Agreements to extend the terms thereof from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021. It should be noted that the not-to-exceed amounts under all agreements will remain unchanged.

Accordingly authority is respectfully requested to amend the Grant Agreement with OCFS to accept grant funds in the amount of \$43,350.00 pursuant to the Safe Harbour program, by extending the term thereof from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021. Authority is further requested to amend the Agency Agreements with Children’s Village in the amount of \$26,780, IOFA in the amount of \$5,000 and WJCS in the amount of \$4,465, by extending the terms thereof from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021, at no additional cost to the County.

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

The Grant Agreement with OCFS does not constitute a procurement and therefore, the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy do not apply.

The Agency Agreements are exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)(viii) thereof.

I respectfully recommend your Honorable Board’s approval of the attached Resolution.

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Attachment

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Social Services, is hereby authorized to amend a grant agreement (the “Grant Agreement”) with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (“OCFS”), to accept a grant in the amount of \$43,350 pursuant to OCFS’ Safe Harbour: NY program for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, by extending the term thereof from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County, acting by and through its Department of Social Services, is hereby further authorized to amend agreements (the “Agency Agreements”) with: (1) Children’s Village, Inc. (“Children’s Village”) in the amount of \$26,780 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for the provision of a wraparound program of pro-social, peer mentorship, transportation and youth leadership opportunities; (2) International Organization for Adolescents (“IOFA”) in the amount of \$5,000 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for the provision of Safe Harbour retreats; and (3) Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. (Dr. Carol Chu) in the amount of \$4,465 for the term January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for the provision of clinical consultations regarding youth who have experienced trauma, by extending the terms of all three (3) Agency Agreements from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021, at no additional cost to the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Agreement and the Agency Agreements shall remain in full force and effect.

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, or his authorized designee, is authorized 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
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00

Budget Funding Year(s):2020
(must match resolution)

Start Date: 01/01/21

End Date: 01/31/21

Funding Source
\$0.00
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars:
State Aid:
Federal Aid:
Other: