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March 23, 2021

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Thomas A. Gleason
Acting Commissioner-Sheriff of Public Safety

SUBJECT: Authority to amend an agreement between the County of Westchester (the "County") and Student Assistance Services Corporation ("SAS") pursuant to which SAS agreed to coordinate the BJA STOP School Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program (aka Project BRIGHT) for a term commencing on October 1, 2019 and continuing through September 30, 2020, in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000, by retroactively extending the term thereof from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, at no additional cost to the County.

By resolution approved on December 5, 2019 (the "December 5th Resolution"), your Honorable Board authorized the County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety (the "Department"), to enter into an agreement with SAS, pursuant to which SAS would help to coordinate the Project BRIGHT program to implement school violence prevention and mental health training programs for law enforcement, school based personnel and students to improve their efforts to reduce violent crime (the "Program Services"), for a three (3) year term commencing on October 1, 2019 and continuing through September 30, 2022, in an amount not-to-exceed \$415,000 to be paid in accordance with an approved budget and payment schedule (the "Agreement").

Thereafter, by resolution approved on March 26, 2020, your Honorable Board authorized the County to amend the December 5th Resolution to authorize a one (1) year term commencing on October 1, 2019, instead of a three (3) year term, and a not-to-exceed cap of only \$150,000 instead of \$415,000. The Agreement was subsequently executed.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, SAS was unable to perform all of the Program Services budgeted for the original one (1) year term. The Department now seeks to enter into a "no-cost" extension of the Agreement, commencing retroactive to October 1, 2020 and continuing through September 30, 2021, to enable SAS to perform the Program Services using the \$150,000 previously allocated under the Agreement.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully requested to amend the Agreement with SAS pursuant to which SAS agreed to coordinate the Project BRIGHT program to implement school violence prevention and mental health training programs for law enforcement, school based personnel and students to improve their efforts to reduce violent crime (the "Program"), for a term commencing on October 1, 2019 and continuing through September 30, 2020, in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000 to be paid in accordance with an approved budget and payment schedule, by extending the term of the Agreement for an additional one (1) year period commencing retroactive to October 1, 2020 and continuing through September 30, 2021, at no additional cost to the County.

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

This Agreement is exempt from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a)xviii thereof. This Agreement is also exempt from the competitive procurement requirements of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (formerly, the Grants Management Common Rule) as the services are only available from a single source and DOJ has approved the single source designation in response to a written request from the County (See 2 CFR § 200.320 (c)(2)).

Accordingly, I most respectfully recommend your Board's favorable consideration of the annexed proposed Resolution.

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Attachment

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Acting Commissioner-Sheriff of Public Safety, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Public Safety, is hereby authorized to amend an agreement (the "Agreement") with the Student Assistance Services Corporation ("SAS"), pursuant to which SAS agreed to coordinate the BJA STOP School Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program (aka Project BRIGHT) to implement school safety prevention and mental health training programs for law enforcement, school based personnel and students to improve their efforts to reduce violent crime for a term commencing on October 1, 2019 and continuing through September 30, 2020 in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00, to be paid in accordance with an approved budget and payment schedule, by retroactively extending the term of the Agreement for an additional one (1) year period commencing on October 1, 2020 and continuing through September 30, 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 Agreement shall remain in full force and effect upon the parties; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purpose hereof.

Account to be
Charged/Credited

Year	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
2019-2021	711	71	T016U-V	4380	T1016	0.00

Budget Funding Year(s) **2019-2021**

Start Date: **October 1, 2019**; End Date: **September 30, 2021**

(must match resolution)

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$ 0.00

Federal Aid **\$0.00**

(must match resolution)

Other