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DATE: July 28, 2021

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Dr. DaMia Harris-Madden, Executive Director
Westchester County Youth Bureau

SUBJECT: Request for authority for the County of Westchester ("County") to:

1) enter into a Safe Summer Youth Engagement County Plan agreement with the New York State Office of Children & Family Services to accept an allocation in the amount of \$180,000 to provide positive youth development programming for Westchester youth who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence in identified neighborhoods for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021; and

2) enter into five (5) agreements with the contractors listed on the attached Resolution pursuant to which said contractors will operate positive youth development programs for youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$180,000.00, in the individual amounts set forth in the attached Resolution, payable monthly pursuant to approved individual budgets.

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County, acting by and through the Westchester County Youth Bureau ("WCYB"), to enter into a Safe Summer Youth Engagement County Plan agreement (the "Plan Agreement") with the New York State Office of Children & Family Services ("OCFS") to accept an allocation in the amount of \$180,000.00 to provide positive youth development programs for up to 200 youth who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence between the ages 14-24, from identified neighborhoods, for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021.

Authority is further requested for the County to enter into five (5) agreements ("Agreements") with the contractors listed on the attached Resolution ("Contractors") pursuant to which said Contractors will operate positive youth development programs for youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$180,000.00, in the individual amounts set forth in the attached Resolution, payable monthly pursuant to

approved individual budgets, using the allocation funds received from OCFS under the aforementioned Plan Agreement.

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, plan applications, and Plan Agreements (including any master plan agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the allocation (the "Allocation Terms"), b) has reviewed the Allocation Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Allocation Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Allocation Terms.

The Plan Agreement does not constitute a procurement and as such is not subject to the County Procurement Policy. The Agreements with the Contractors are exempt from the County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a) xviii thereof.

The goal of the Plan Agreement and the Agreements with the Contractors is to provide positive youth development programming for up to 200 youth who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence between the ages 14-24, from identified neighborhoods. The objective of the Plan Agreement and the Agreements with the Contractors is to support positive youth development activities that attract youth at risk of being perpetrators and victims of gun violence in high-gun violence neighborhoods and census tracts.

The goals and objectives of both proposed agreements will be tracked and monitored by the Youth Bureau through site visits and reports.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

DHM/CM/
Attachments

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Executive Director of the Westchester County Youth Bureau, be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (“County”) is hereby authorized to enter into a Safe Summer Youth Engagement County Plan agreement with the New York State Office of Children & Family Services to accept an allocation in the amount of \$180,000 to provide positive youth development programming for Westchester youth who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence in identified neighborhoods for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby further authorized to enter into five (5) agreements (“Agreements”) with the contractors listed below (“Contractors”) pursuant to which said Contractors will operate positive youth development programs for youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2021, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$180,000.00, in the individual amounts and for the individual programs set forth below, payable monthly pursuant to approved individual budgets.

Agency	Program Title	Funding Request
Soulful Synergy, LLC	Soulful Synergy Handyperson	\$ 50,000.00
914United, Inc.	Leaders Build Leaders	\$ 40,000.00
Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc.	Youth "Cred"	\$ 25,000.00
YMCA of Yonkers Inc.	Sports and Arts at the Y	\$ 50,000.00
Groundwork Hudson Valley Inc.	The Green Team	\$ 15,000.00

;and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreements are subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreements are 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 Plan. 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 adoption(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 Agreements or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved therein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount under the Agreements, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive 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:	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
Credited	101	11	0400	9734		\$180,000
Charged	101	11	0400	4380		\$180,000

Budget Funding Year(s): 2021 Start Date: July 1, 2021 End Date: December 31, 2021
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: \$180,000
 (must match resolution)

Tax Dollars: _____
 State Aid: \$180,000
 Federal Aid: _____
 Other: _____

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