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DATE: April 13, 2022

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Authority to amend a Gun Violence Prevention Plan agreement with the New York State Office of Children & Family Services and agreements with Soulful Synergy, LLC, Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc., YMCA of Yonkers Inc., YWCA of Yonkers, Nepperhan Community Center, Inc., Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon NY Inc., and Yonkers Arts Inc., to extend the termination dates thereof from March 30, 2022 to June 30, 2022, for the provision of positive youth development programs for Westchester County youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, at no additional cost.

On October 21, 2021, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Youth Bureau, to enter into a Gun Violence Prevention Plan agreement (the "Plan Agreement") with OCFS to accept an allocation in the amount of \$400,000 to provide positive youth development programs for up to 350 Westchester County 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 March 30, 2022 (the "October 21st Resolution"). The October 21st Resolution further authorized the County to enter into five (5) agreements with the contractors listed as "Group A" in the October 21st Resolution, pursuant to which said contractors would operate positive youth development programs for Westchester County youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, for a term commencing on July 1, 2021 and continuing through March 30, 2022, and six (6) agreements with the contractors listed as "Group B" in the October 21st Resolution, pursuant to which said contractors would operate positive youth development programs for Westchester County youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, for a term commencing on September 1, 2021 and continuing through March 30, 2022 for a total aggregate amount of the eleven (11) agreements not to exceed \$400,000, in the individual amounts set forth in the October 21st Resolution, payable monthly pursuant to approved individual budgets (the "Contractor Agreements"). The Plan Agreement and the Contractor Agreements, with

the exception of the agreement with Greystone Holding Corp., were subsequently executed.

Thereafter, on February 10, 2022, your Honorable Board approved a resolution amending the October 21st Resolution in order to rescind the authorization for the County to enter into an agreement with Greystone Holding Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for a term commencing September 1, 2021 through March 30, 2022, for the provision of a youth gun violence prevention program, and authorized the County to enter into an agreement with Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for term commencing July 1, 2021 through March 30, 2022, payable pursuant to an approved budget, for the provision of a positive youth program for Westchester County youth who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence. The agreement with Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc. was subsequently executed.

OCFS notified the Youth Bureau offering the County an option to extend the term of the Plan Agreement from a termination date of March 30, 2022 to June 30, 2022. The County, acting by and through the Youth Bureau, desires to amend the Plan Agreement and the agreements with Soulful Synergy, LLC, Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc., YMCA of Yonkers Inc., YWCA of Yonkers, Nepperhan Community Center, Inc. Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon NY Inc., and Yonkers Arts Inc., in order to extend the terms thereof, from a termination date of March 30, 2022 to June 30, 2022, at no additional cost (the "First Amendments").

Except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions set forth in the agreements shall remain in full force and effect.

The First Amendments are exempt from the County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a) xviii thereof.

The goal of the First Amendments is to provide positive youth development programming to Westchester County youth between the ages of 14-24 who are at high risk or have known involvement in gun violence, from identified neighborhoods. The objective of the First Amendments 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 goal and objective of the First Amendments 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/LAC
Attachment

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is authorized to amend a Gun Violence Prevention Plan agreement with the New York State Office of Children & Family Services and agreements with Soulful Synergy, LLC, Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Inc., YMCA of Yonkers Inc., YWCA of Yonkers, Nepperhan Community Center, Inc., Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon NY Inc., and Yonkers Arts Inc. (the "Agreements"), to extend the termination dates thereof, from March 30, 2022 to June 30, 2022, for the provision of positive youth development programs for Westchester County youth at high risk or known to have involvement in gun violence, at no additional cost; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions of the Agreements shall remain the same and in full force and effect; 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
N/A						

Budget Funding Year(s): 2021/2022 Start Date: July 1, 2021 End Date: June 30, 2022 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$0.00
\$0.00 State Aid: \$0.00
(must match resolution) Federal Aid: \$0.00
Other: \$0.00