



**Office of the District Attorney  
County of Westchester**

**MEMORANDUM**

**OnBase: 113817**

DATE: 5/29/26

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS  
BOARD OF ACQUISITION AND CONTRACT

FROM: SUSAN CACACE  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

RE: AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,547.26 IN FEDERAL FUNDS, TO BE USED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO OPERATE THE STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM, FOR A TERM COMMENCING RETROACTIVELY ON JANUARY 1, 2026 AND CONTINUING THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

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Authority is sought from this Honorable Board for the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through the Office of the District Attorney (the "District Attorney's Office"), to enter into a grant agreement (Agreement No. C00588GM; the "Grant Agreement") with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("NY DCJS") to accept a grant in the amount of \$61,547.26 in federal funds, to be used by the District Attorney's Office to operate the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program ("Program"), for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and continuing through December 31, 2026.

The Grant Agreement will require the County to indemnify NY DCJS and the State of New York as follows:

"The [County] shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for all accidents, incidents, and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the [County] or its subcontractors pursuant to this [Grant Agreement]. The [County] shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages, and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the [Grant Agreement]."

The overall goal of the Grant Agreement is to develop and strengthen effective law enforcement and prosecutorial strategies to combat violent crimes against women and/or to

develop and strengthen victims' services in cases involving violent crimes against women. Through its provision of the Program, the District Attorney's Office shall provide enhanced support for the prosecution of domestic violence crimes against women and men, including the underserved population of victims with language, cultural and social barriers. Additionally, the Program promotes early victim contact with both charged crimes and investigations into cases of domestic violence, including those involving harassment, assault, strangulation, stalking, violations of orders of protection and sexual assault. The goals and objectives will be monitored by the District Attorney's Office and quarterly progress reports will be submitted to NY DCJS for their review and approval.

As this Grant Agreement does not involve the procurement of goods or services, the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures do not apply.

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 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, your Honorable Board's approval of the annexed resolution is most respectfully requested.

SC/JC/sjc

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 06/11/2026 RAYMOND SISKY, SECRETARY

**RESOLUTION**

Upon communication from Susan Cacace, District Attorney, be it hereby:

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester (“County”), acting by and through the Office of the District Attorney (“District Attorney’s Office”), is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement (the “Grant Agreement”) with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (“NY DCJS”) to accept a grant in the amount of \$61,547.26 in federal funds, to be used by the District Attorney’s Office to operate the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and continuing through December 31, 2026; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County is authorized to defend and indemnify NY DCJS and the State of New York according to the following indemnification language contained within the Grant Agreement, as follows:

“The [County] shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for all accidents, incidents, and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the [County] or its subcontractors pursuant to this [Grant Agreement]. The [County] shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages, and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the [Grant Agreement].”

; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the District Attorney or her duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to take such action and execute such documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

| Fund | Dept | Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit | Object/ Sub-Object | Trust Account | Dollars     |
|------|------|--|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 101  | 37   | 6210                                   | 9818               |               | \$61,547.26 |

Budget Funding Year(s) 2026 Start Date 01/01/26 End Date 12/31/26  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Aid: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$61,547.26 Federal Aid: \$61,547.26  
 (must match resolution) Other: \_\_\_\_\_