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County Executive



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Chairman,
Westchester County
Board of Legislators

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DATE: June 25, 2025

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Honorable Vedat Gashi, Chairman
Westchester County Board of Legislators
and

Honorable Kenneth W. Jenkins
Westchester County Executive

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. pursuant to which Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. shall provide a series of senior citizen programs, early childhood development and enrichment educational programs and health-related service programs, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2025, for an amount not-to-exceed \$154,750.00, pursuant to an approved budget.

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators and Westchester County Executive (the "Board and County Executive"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. ("WJCS" or "Contractor") pursuant to which WJCS shall provide a series of senior citizen programs, early childhood development and enrichment educational programs and health-related service programs. The County has entered into similar agreements with WJCS in the past, for similar services.

WJCS is Westchester's largest provider of licensed outpatient community mental health services, and is one of its largest human services agencies, annually serving approximately 21,000 individual clients through over 80 evidence-based programs delivered by highly trained staff.

The term of this Agreement will commence retroactively on January 1, 2025 and continue through December 31, 2025. In consideration for all services rendered under the Agreement, WJCS will be paid an amount-not-to exceed One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$154,750.00), payable pursuant to an approved budget.

WJCS will provide the following programs / services: (1) WJCS Senior Programs and Services, (2) WJCS Parent/Child Home Visitation Program (ParentChild+), and (3) The Trager Lemp Center ("TLC") Trauma Services to Uninsured Program ("TLC").

The WJCS Senior Programs and Services will be a range of programs that support low-income individuals over the age of 60 throughout Westchester County. WJCS shall provide programs that will provide health and wellness to people over the age of 60 and their families and/or caregivers. In consideration for providing its senior programs and services, WJCS will be paid an amount-not-to-exceed \$20,000 pursuant to an approved budget.

Second, WJCS shall provide its ParentChild Home Visitation Program (ParentChild+), a program that will provide in-home services to families with children aged 16 months to 3 ½ years old. ParentChild+ promotes synergy among family, school and community. Parents through the program work on developing confidence and skills to be active participants in their child's education and schools. Services will be provided to families in Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Yonkers, and/or Tarrytown / Sleepy Hollow. In consideration for providing its ParentChild Home Visitation program, WJCS will be paid an amount-not-to-exceed \$100,000, pursuant to an approved budget.

Third, WJCS shall provide its Trager Lemp Center ("TLC") Trauma Services to underinsured people. TLC provides evidence-based trauma treatment using a team approach to survivors of trauma across the life span. In addition to the primary traumas of childhood sexual abuse and family violence, the TLC program focusses on addressing the stressors of Intergenerational Trauma, where unaddressed traumatic experiences continue to impact each generation. Participating parents and caregivers are provided psychoeducation about trauma, child development, how trauma manifests in children, and how to support child trauma survivors. TLC will also address Intergenerational Trauma by providing participating parents and caregivers with their own trauma treatment to heal trauma that may have an impact on their parenting and caregiving. Specifically, WJCS will provide individual or family sessions to parents who have no income or insurance and who need specialized trauma treatment. WJCS will be able to provide services to a minimum of 15-20 uninsured clients. In consideration for providing its TLC program, WJCS will be paid an amount-not-to-exceed \$34,750.00, pursuant to an approved budget.

This Agreement will serve a public purpose by promoting the public health, safety, and general welfare of County residents through assisting with programs promoting health and wellness to senior citizens, the prevention of child abuse and the intergenerational transmission of trauma and abuse, and promoting early childhood development and enrichment education programs.

The goals and objectives of the Agreement will be tracked and monitored by the Board and County Executive, which will be responsible for monitoring WJCS's performance by means of a performance measurement report, which shall describe how many participants took part in each of the activities set forth in the Scope of Work in the Agreement.

The Agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures (the "Policy"), pursuant to Section 3 (a) (viii), for contracts for medical or health-related services and contracts with healthcare workers, or agencies engaging healthcare workers, including dentists, home health and personal care aides, occupational, speech, and physical therapists, nurses, nurses' assistants, medical and laboratory technicians, diagnosticians, social workers, psychiatric workers and veterinarians. This Agreement is also exempt from the Policy, pursuant to Section 3 (a) (xiv) thereof, for any procurement for the purpose of entering into a contract or contracts with not for profit organizations for the purposes of providing aid, care and support to persons in need of public assistance. Also, this Agreement is exempt from the Policy, pursuant to Section 3 (a) (xix) thereof, for any procurement for the purpose of entering into a contract with persons to provide direct services to senior citizens including care, counseling, referral, case management, social and nutritional support, and other essential outreach services. Lastly, this Agreement is also exempt from the Policy, pursuant to Section 3 (a) (xviii) thereof, for any procurement for the purpose of entering into a contract or contracts with persons for the creation and support of recreation projects, youth service projects and other appropriate programs and services for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime and the advancement of the moral, physical, mental and social wellbeing of the youth of Westchester County.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully sought for the County of Westchester to enter into this Agreement.

VG/AR/mb
Attachment

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the County Executive, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County of Westchester (the "County") acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the Westchester County Executive (the "Board and County Executive"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Westchester Jewish Community Services, Inc. ("WJCS") pursuant to which WJCS shall provide a series of senior citizen programs, early childhood development and enrichment educational programs and health-related service programs,

for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025, and continuing through December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$154,750.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is 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 this Agreement. 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 this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to WJCS, then WJCS shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, or his duly authorized designee, is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take such actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Sub-unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Dollars
101	52	2508	0010	5100	\$77,375.00
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Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution)

Start Date 1/1/25 End Date 12/31/25

Funding Source

Tax Dollars \$154,750.00

State Aid _____

Federal Aid _____

Other _____

\$154,750.00

(must match resolution)