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DATE: July 29, 2026

TO: Honorable Members
Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Rocco Pozzi
Commissioner of Probation

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with:

- (1) the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, pursuant to which the County will accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$302,413.00 under the Gun Involved Violence Elimination initiative, for a period commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027, pursuant to an approved budget; and
- (2) JRB 360, LLC, pursuant to which JRB 360, LLC will serve as an Anti-Violence Coordinator to oversee the implementation of the Gun Involved Violence Elimination's goals and initiatives, in an amount not-to-exceed \$85,000.00, payable at the rate of \$7,083.33 per month, for a term commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027.

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Probation (the "Department"), to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("NYSDCJS"), pursuant to which NYSCJS will provide and the County will accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$302,413.00 under the Gun Involved Violence Elimination ("GIVE") initiative for a period commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027, pursuant to an approved budget (the "Grant Agreement").

First implemented in July 2014, the goal of the GIVE initiative is to eliminate shootings and homicides through the integrated use of evidence-based strategies that include the four core elements of people, places, alignment and engagement. The Department will assign personnel to deploy targeted operations as outlined in the GIVE strategy through joint agency initiatives. Specifically partnering with The District Attorney's Office, Yonkers Police, Mount Vernon Police, and The Department of Public Safety, as well as other non-funded partners.

Among other things, the GIVE grant will be used to fund the following:

- Supervising Probation Officer/ Field Intelligence Officer (“FIO”). Duties will include gathering intelligence for the cities of Yonkers and Mount Vernon to provide support to GIVE agencies through the tracking of all information shared at the weekly FIO meeting, as well as working with the other FIOs in the other Westchester county jurisdictions.
- Anti-Violence Coordinator. This individual will be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the program’s goals and initiatives and will facilitate the monthly GIVE meetings and the quarterly GIVE Executive Board meetings, as well as liaise with police departments and community-based/social service agencies.
- Hot-Spot Policing & Focused Deterrence for GIVE Probation Officers/SPOs. Targeted operations in response to shots fired and Electronic Monitoring will be added as a standard condition of probation for any offender identified as being involved in group or gun violence. Adding electronic monitoring as standard to their first 6 months of supervision will further add to the level of control, accountability and leverage.
- Community/Youth Engagement. Our community/youth Engagement efforts will attempt to create an environment to further nourish and reinforce the individual’s internal influences that could lead them away from further criminal involvement. This will be accomplished by using Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Vocational Training/Mentorship.
- Alternative Responses. In an effort to improve our intel and investigations, which began with the 2023-2024 grant, we will continue to provide enhanced pre-sentence investigation procedures for this population including residence checks during the pre-sentence stage of the case. Officers assigned to complete the pre-sentence report will partner with officers assigned to the High Impact Unit (gangs/guns) to conduct a residence check to better determine the defendant’s appropriateness for community based supervision.

Pursuant to the Grant Agreement, the County will be required to indemnify NYSDCJS 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].”

Authority is hereby further requested for the County, acting by and through the Department, to enter into an agreement with JRB 360, LLC, pursuant to which JRB 360, LLC will serve as an Anti-Violence Coordinator, for a term commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027 (the “Consultant Agreement”). In consideration for services rendered, JRB 360, LLC will be paid monthly at the rate of \$7,083.33 per month, not-to-exceed the aggregate sum of \$85,000.00. As noted above, in its capacity as Anti-Violence Coordinator, JRB 360, LLC will be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the program’s goals and initiatives and will facilitate the monthly GIVE meetings and the quarterly GIVE Executive Board meetings, as well as liaise with police departments and community-based/social service agencies.

The Grant Agreement with NYSDCJS does not constitute a procurement of goods or services and as such is not subject to the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures (the "Policy").

Authority to exempt the procurement of the Consultant Agreement with JRB 360, LLC from the requirements of the Policy, pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi thereof, has been submitted to your Honorable Board by a separate resolution.

Both contracts will serve a public purpose by promoting public safety through the implementation of operations under the GIVE initiative.

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 grant 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, authority is respectfully sought for the County to enter into these agreements.

RP/DO/sjc

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 08/06/2026 RAYMOND J. CULKY, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Probation, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Probation (the Department”), is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (“NYSDCJS”), pursuant to which NYSDCJS will provide and the County will accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$302,413.00 under the Gun Involved Violence Elimination (“GIVE”) initiative which will be used to eliminate shootings and homicides in the county through the integrated use of evidence-based strategies, for a period commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027, pursuant to an approved budget (the “Grant Agreement”); and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County is authorized to indemnify NYSDCJS 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].”

RESOLVED, that the County, acting by and through the Department, is hereby further authorized to enter into an agreement with JRB 360, LLC, pursuant to which JRB 360, LLC will serve as an Anti-Violence Coordinator to oversee the implementation of the GIVE program’s goals and initiatives and facilitate the monthly GIVE meetings and the quarterly GIVE Executive Board meetings, as well as other services, for a term commencing retroactively on July 1, 2026 and continuing through June 30, 2027, payable monthly at the rate of \$7,083.33 per month, not-to-exceed the aggregate sum of \$85,000.00 (the “Consultant Agreement”); and be it further

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

RESOLVED, that the Consultant 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 the Consultant 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 the Consultant Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a

reduced amount to JRB 360, LLC, then JRB 360, LLC shall have the right to terminate the Consultant Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to enter into this agreement for the County of Westchester.

Account To Be
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/Sub-Object	Dollars
263	39	B074	9854	\$302,413
263	39	B074	4380	\$85,000

Budget Funding Year(s): 2024/2025
(must match resolution)

Start Date: July 1, 2026 End Date: June 30, 2027

Funding Source

\$ \$302,413
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars

State Aid

\$302,413

Federal Aid

Other

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