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DATE: May 20, 2025

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Blanca P. Lopez, M.S.
Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the County of Westchester and Providence House, Inc. to renovate their current family shelter by improving its structural safety, water management, and overall security.

The attached resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the Providence House, Inc., pursuant to which the County will use Emergency Solutions Grant funding in the amount of \$161,475 to pay Providence House, Inc. to renovate their shelter at 89 Sickles Ave. New Rochelle, NY to improve its structural safety, water management, and overall security (the "Project") pursuant to an approved budget. The term of the agreement is June 2, 2025 through June 1, 2026.

The Project will renovate the facility to improve structural safety, water management, and overall security. The renovation will ensure that the shelter remains a secure and supportive environment for its residents, fostering stability and safety. These improvements will contribute to creating a healthier living space, promoting the well-being and security of the individuals and families residing there.

The goal and objective of the agreement is to enhance the structural safety, improve water management, and maintain the residence as a secure and supportive environment for its residents. The project will be monitored by the Department of Planning staff, who will review all payment requests to make sure all contractual requirements are met.

The Department of Planning issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") on October 3, 2024 seeking proposals specifically for organizations to apply for "Turning the Corner" service contracts to assist individuals and families experiencing homelessness or a housing crisis. The RFP was posted on the County's website. Seven agencies submitted proposals in response to the RFP. Providence House, Inc. was recommended for an award in the amount of \$161,475.

Act # 20-2020, adopted March 9, 2020, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, authorized the County to submit an Urban County Application under the Federal Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Investment Partnership Program, including a FY 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and to accept such Grants.

On May 14, 2020, the Board of Acquisition and Contract approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept a grant totaling \$311,203.00 in Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) funds.

Act # 141-2024, adopted August 5, 2024, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, authorizes the County to submit an Urban County Application under the Federal Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Investment Programs, including a FY 2024-2028 Consolidated Plan to include the FY 2024 Action Plan and to accept such Grants.

On August 29, 2024, the Board of Acquisition and Contract approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept a grant totaling \$372,293.00 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

BPL/tf/am/je
Attachment

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING, BE IT HEREBY

RESOLVED: that the County of Westchester (the "County") is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Providence House, Inc., pursuant to which Providence House, Inc. will renovate their current family shelter at 89 Sickles Ave. New Rochelle, NY by improving its structural safety, water management, and overall security for a term commencing on June 2, 2025 and continuing through June 1, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED: that in consideration for said services, the County shall pay Providence House, Inc. a not to exceed amount of \$161,475 in Emergency Solutions Grant funding, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized to execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate purposes hereof.

Account to be
Charged/Credited

| | | Major Program, Program & Phase | Object/ Sub Object | Trust Account | Dollars |
|------|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Fund | Dept | Or Unit | | | |
| 263 | 19 | 215V | 4380 | T215 | \$56,494 |
| 263 | 19 | 215Z | 4380 | T215 | \$104,981 |

Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution)

FY 2020 & FY 2024

Start Date

June 2, 2025

End Date

June 1, 2026

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$161,475

(must match resolution)

Federal Aid \$161,475 – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Other _____