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DATE: July 1, 2026

TO: Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contact

FROM: Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner of Department of Probation

RE: Authority to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice in order to accept a grant in the amount of \$75,000 for the Department of Probation to operate the *Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence* (“STRIVE Year II”) program for the period commencing retroactively on April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Probation (the “Department”), to enter into a grant agreement, known as Contract No. C485403 (the “Grant Agreement”) with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (“DCJS”) in order to accept grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the Department to operate the *Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence* (“STRIVE Year II”) program (the “Program”) for the period commencing retroactively on April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027. The Department submitted a plan for this Program which was approved by DCJS.

The proposed Grant Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing funds that will enable the Department to operate the Program and make efforts to reduce intimate partner violence throughout the County.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Grant Agreement are to prevent and intervene in incidences of intimate partner violence through evidence-based, survivor-centered, trauma-informed and culturally responsive strategies to reduce intimate partner violence in Westchester County.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Grant Agreement are in the best interests of the County in terms of general welfare and public safety by addressing and reducing intimate partner violence. The goals and objectives of the proposed Grant Agreement will be monitored by the Department.

The proposed grant acceptance through the Grant Agreement is not a procurement. Accordingly, the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures do not apply.

In addition, pursuant to the Grant Agreement, the County, as the Contractor, will be required to indemnify the DCJS as follows:

“Indemnification: The Contractor 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 Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor 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 Contract.”

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, I respectfully recommend your Honorable Board’s approval of the attached Resolution.

RAP/DO/LAC

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department 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 a grant agreement, known as Contract No. C485403 (the “Grant Agreement”) with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (“DCJS”) in order to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the Department to operate the *Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence* (“STRIVE Year II”) program for the period commencing retroactively on April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County, as the Contractor, is authorized to indemnify the DCJS in the Grant Agreement as follows:

“Indemnification: The Contractor 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 Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor 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 Contract.”

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RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his/her duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to take such action and execute such instruments as may be necessary and proper to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	39	B106	9854	G106	\$75,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2026-2027 Start Date 04/01/2026 End Date 03/31/2027
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: _____
State Aid: \$75,000
\$75,000 Federal Aid: _____
(must match resolution) Other: _____