



Vedat Gashi
Chairman,
Westchester County
Board of Legislators

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TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Request authority to enter into an agreement with The Matthew Wallace Foundation Inc., pursuant to which The Matthew Wallace Foundation Inc. will provide cultural services and food pantry services to those in need, for a term commencing January 1, 2026 and continuing through December 31, 2026 for an amount not to exceed \$74,600.00.

The attached Resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to enter into an agreement ("Agreement") with The Matthew Wallace Foundation Inc. ("MWF"), pursuant to which MWF will provide cultural and food pantry services to those in need in Yonkers and Mount Vernon, for a term commencing January 1, 2026 and continuing through December 31, 2026. In consideration for services rendered, the County will pay MWF an amount not to exceed \$74,600.00, payable half upon contract execution, following receipt by the County of an invoice, and half on or about August 1, 2026, after the receipt of appropriate invoices and pursuant to an approved budget (the "Agreement").

The proposed Agreement will serve the public purpose of promoting the public health, safety, and general welfare of County persons in need, by providing nutritious meals essential items to individuals in need in Yonkers and Mount Vernon and surrounding areas. MWF will also provide programming focusing on enriching and engaging the vast diversity of Yonkers through innovative, relevant programs in arts, culture, education and community outreach.

The Agreement is exempt from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Sections 3(a)(xiii) and 3(a)(xiv) thereof.

Attached for your consideration is a proposed Resolution.

Attachment

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with The Matthew Wallace Foundation, Inc. (“MWF”), pursuant to which MWF will provide cultural services and food pantry services to those in need, for a term commencing January 1, 2026 and continuing through December 31, 2026 (the “Agreement”); and be it further

RESOLVED, that in consideration for services rendered, the County shall pay MWF an amount not to exceed \$74,600.00, payable half upon contract execution following the County’s receipt of an invoice, and half on or about August 1, 2026, following receipt by the County of appropriate invoices and 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 MWF, then MWF 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	\$74,600.00

Budget Funding Year(s) Start Date 1/1/26 End Date 12/31/26
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \$74,600.00
State Aid _____
 \$74,600.00 Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution) Other _____