



Vedat Gashi
Chairman,
Westchester County
Board of Legislators

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DATE: February 19, 2025

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with the Youth Service Opportunities Project, Inc. to provide its "Connex" program, an intergenerational program that creates meaningful, group conversations between young people and senior citizens living in their homes or in senior living communities for the term January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$99,000.00.

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 (the "Board"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Youth Service Opportunities Project, Inc., ("YSOP" or "Contractor"), pursuant to which YSOP shall provide its "Connex" program, an intergenerational program that creates meaningful, virtual and in person group conversations between young people and senior citizens living in their homes or in senior living communities.

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, the County shall pay YSOP an amount not to exceed \$99,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget.

The YSOP Connex program gives senior citizens the opportunity to give perspective, insight, a sense of comfort and calm to youth participants and will provide a landscape for youth volunteer engagement. The proposed Agreement will provide necessary services to Westchester County residents and will benefit to the whole community.

The proposed Agreement will serve the public purpose of promoting the public health, safety, and general welfare of County residents by connecting youth with homebound seniors and residents of senior living communities. The Agreement and its progress will be monitored by County personnel.

By resolution adopted of even date herewith, your Honorable Board has exempted the procurement of these services from the YSOP from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy, as in the best interests of the County. It is respectfully requested and recommended that your Honorable Board approve the annexed Resolution.

VG/AR/mb
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 03/13/2025 - RAYMOND G. CULKY, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, 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 (the "Board"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Youth Service Opportunities Project, Inc., ("YSOP" or "Contractor"), pursuant to which YSOP shall provide its "Connex" program, an intergenerational program that creates meaningful, virtual and in person group conversations between young people and senior citizens living in their homes or in senior living communities, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$99,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

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

RESOLVED, that the 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 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 adoptions(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 Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the 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	\$99,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s) Start Date 1/1/25 End Date 12/31/25
(must match resolution)

