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COUNTY OF ERIE

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

October 28, 2016

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: Department of Social Services
Division of Youth Services
Youth Bureau Contract Amendments**

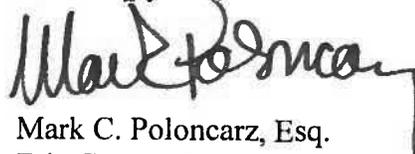
Dear Honorable Members:

The attached resolution requests authorization to amend three 2016 Youth Development Program Contracts in the total amount of \$15,000.

Present Day Ministries and Planned Parenthood were awarded over \$15,000 together for 2016 Youth Development Programming (YDP), and both agencies have declined their awards; therefore, Erie County Youth Bureau has an unallocated funding balance in the amount of \$15,000. Three agencies currently under contract have been selected to receive additional funding not to exceed \$15,000. These agencies are HEAL International, Tru-Way Community Center, and Community Action Organization of Erie County in the amount of \$5,000 each.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Al Dirschberger at the Erie County Department of Social Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/bb
Enclosure

cc: Al Dirschberger, Social Services Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Erie County Youth Services
Re: Youth Bureau Contract Amendments
Date: 10/28/2016

SUMMARY

The Erie County Youth Bureau has an unallocated funding balance in the amount of \$15,000. It is common for unclaimed and/or declined funds to become available near the end of the calendar year. Additionally, allocations are based on anticipated funding levels from the Office of Children and Family Services and occasionally final allocations from the state are greater than what was budgeted for in the previous year. The Youth Bureau intends to amend three existing contracts in order to provide additional funding to expand existing services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No additional county dollars are required. \$15,000 is provided by NYS Office of Children and Family Services, is 100% reimbursable and requires no local share.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Youth Bureau develops supportive relationships with youth serving agencies in Erie County and provides resources necessary to adequately meet the needs of youth in our community. The Youth Bureau promotes and coordinates the provision of high quality youth development programming throughout Erie County including youth residing in the Erie County Secure Detention Center. All programs funded by the Erie County Youth Bureau are designed to decrease negative behaviors and promote pro-social, positive decision making. Programs selected to receive this funding have been successful in serving the needs of youth in their communities and have provided services a significantly higher number of youth than anticipated.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Agencies will not receive additional funding to provide services to youth.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Contracts and/or contract amendments reflecting the additional funds will be executed for each agency.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY
YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION

RE: Youth Bureau Contract Amendments

WHEREAS, the Erie County Youth Bureau has an unallocated funding balance in the amount of \$15,000 and would like to increase funding for three existing agencies to provide additional youth programing.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to amend existing contracts in the amount of \$5,000 for each agency in order to provide additional youth programs and services though the NYS Office of Children and Family for HEAL International, Tru-Way Community Center, and Community Action Organization of Erie County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that total funding is the amount of \$15,000 is currently available in Account 517876, Youth Development Programs, of the Youth Services Division; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Social Services, and the Division of Youth Services.