

January 25, 2018

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 2

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
CHAIR SAVAGE PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
 - a. INTRO 7-8 (2017)
BURKE, SAVAGE, GRANT & LOUGHRAN: “Prioritizing Funding for the Opioid Epidemic in Buffalo & Erie County”
(Chair’s ruling)
2. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received, filed and printed:
 - a. COMM. 2E-8 (2018)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE: “Appointments to the Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council”
(Chair’s ruling)

January 9, 2018

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

RE: Appointments to the Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council

Dear Honorable Members:

I, Mark C. Poloncarz, Erie County Executive, pursuant to New York State Public Health Law Section 2554, do hereby appoint the following to the Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council, for a term ending December 31, 2019.

Mary Martin
Director, Special Needs Division
Erie Co Health Department
95 Franklin, Room 828
Buffalo, NY 14202

Bill O’Meara
Assistant Director, Special Needs Division
Erie Co Health Department
95 Franklin, Room 828
Buffalo, NY 14202

Jill Garvin
Coordinator Youth Services
Special Needs Division
Erie Co Health Department
95 Franklin, Room 828
Buffalo, NY 14202

Suzann Simoncelli
Baker Victory Services Early Childhood Program
51 Saint John’s
Buffalo, NY 14210

Lisa J. Skora
4807 John Michael Way
Hamburg, NY 14075

Jackie Skinner
Cantalician Center for Learning
2049 George Urban Boulevard
Depew, NY 14043

Tracy Balon
Oral Deaf Education Program Manager Clinical
Buffalo Hearing and Speech Center
50 East North Street
Buffalo, NY 14203

Mary Anne Whelan
Therapeutic Manager/ OT
Buffalo Hearing and Speech Center
41 Harding Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14217

Rachael Schneider
BCBA
Pacific Child and Family Assoc.
300 International Drive, Suite 120
Williamsville, NY 14221

Lynn Czemerynski
Director of Special Education
Orchard Park Schools
2240 Southwestern Blvd
West Seneca, NY 14224

Jessica Jurusik
Baker Victory Services Early Childhood Program
51 Saint John’s
Buffalo, NY 14210

Emily A. Mondschein
611 Paradise Road
Amherst, NY 14051

Kristi Moscato
Parent Network of WNY
1000 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Maryann Stry
Program Manager/ Early Intervention
People Inc
2128 Elmwood Ave
Buffalo, NY 14207

Jessica Holst
Speech Language Pathologist
St. Mary’s School for the Deaf
2253 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14214

Ann Orlando Parker
Speech Language Pathologist,
ECMC
27 Hunt Club Circle
East Amherst, NY 14051

Gari-Sue John
Liberty Post
53 Tremont Avenue
Kenmore, NY 14217

Kathy Doody
112 Northington Drive
East Amherst NY 14051

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

3. COMM. 2E-6 (2018)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department has been awarded \$25,000 in 100% State share funds as a graduated community in the Safe Harbor for Exploited Children program; and

WHEREAS, a key provision of the Act is to move sexually exploited youth from the criminal and juvenile justice systems to the family court where children and their families can receive support and services from the child welfare system; and

WHEREAS, services are to be provided to victims of sex trafficking and core elements of the service include case management, emergency temporary housing, health care, mental health counseling, language interpretation and translation services, job training and placement and services to assist in establishing permanent residence; and

WHEREAS, International Institute of Buffalo has been the lead agency for this program for the previous five years and is the only local agency with the expertise and existing resources to carry out the program; and

WHEREAS, this proposed resolution authorizes the Department to amend the 2018 Adopted Budget and to renew a contract with the International Institute as the lead agency for this program funding; and

WHEREAS, there is no local share fiscal impact to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

Stacie Dziwulski
ECDC in c/o Children's Resource Network
1000 Hertel Ave
Buffalo, NY 14216

Bridget Ann Palmer, M.A., CCC-SLP/L
89 Parkside Ave
Buffalo, NY 14214

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into contract with the State of New York to accept funding for the Safe Harbor for Exploited Children program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services and/or the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into a subcontract with the International Institute in order to implement the Safe Harbor for Exploited Children program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments are hereby authorized in the 2018 Adopted Budget:

Department of Social Services, Fund 110, Department 120

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE
517172	International Institute Total Expenditures	<u>\$25,000</u> <u>\$25,000</u>
409000	State Aid Total Revenues	<u>\$25,000</u> <u>\$25,000</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, the County Administrative Code requirement in Section 19.08 for a Request for Proposals (RFP) is hereby waived; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any additional budget adjustment which may be required in order to match expense with State funding allocation adjustments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Commissioner of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller, and the Director of the Division of Budget and Management.

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4. COMM. 2E-20 (2018)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department has been awarded an amount of \$171,823 in 100% Federal share Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funds to enhance non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the additional federal TANF funding is awarded for contract expansion for vendors with existing State approval to deliver non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the award specifically prohibit the supplantation of existing funding agreements and also prohibit the use of funds for County government operations; and

WHEREAS, only new contractual services or expansion of existing contractual services are eligible for this funding, and the vendors used must be among those named in the Department's Consolidated Services Plan (CSP) approved by the State; and

WHEREAS, the Department wishes to also reallocate unexpended funding in its 2018 budget to address the problem of domestic violence within our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services and/or the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into or amend contracts with Child and Family Services, Crisis Services, Hispanics United and the Family Justice Center for expanded non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments are hereby authorized in the 2016 Adopted Budget:

Department of Social Services, Fund 110, Department 120

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE/ (DECREASE)
516410	Child and Family Services	\$57,002.35
516410	Crisis Services	\$68,572.00
516410	Family Justice Center	\$15,751.00
516410	Hispanics United of Buffalo	\$3,885.00
911400	ID District Attorney Services	\$19,316.65

911500	ID Sheriff Division Services		<u>\$7,296.00</u>
		Total Expenditures	<u>\$171,823.00</u>

414000	Federal Aid		<u>\$171,823.00</u>
		Total Revenue	<u>\$171,823.00</u>

RESOLVED, that a interdepartmental agreement be established between the District Attorney and Social Services for non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a interdepartmental agreement be established between the Sheriff's Office and Social Services for non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust the budgets of the District Attorney and the Sheriff's Office in order to establish funding to implement the interdepartmental agreements; and be it further

RESOLVED, that because only State-approved providers of non-residential services to victims of domestic violence are eligible to receive these funds and because these special services are needed immediately, the County Administrative Code requirement in Section 19.08 for a Request for Proposals (RFP) is hereby waived; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Commissioner of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller, the Director of the Division of Budget and Management and the District Attorney.
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5. COMM. 2E-21 (2018)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Health Division of Services of Children with Special Needs is responsible for the operation of Preschool and Early Intervention Programs; and

WHEREAS, through the Pre-School Program for three and four year old children specialized education and therapeutic services are provided to children with special needs; and

WHEREAS, the Preschool Program serves of 2,000 children every year; and

WHEREAS, Erie County is required to contract with any New York State Education Department approved service agency that a child has been referred to by local school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to enter into contract and amendments to that contract with Bloom Creative Arts LLC; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner in the Erie County Health Department, 9th Floor, Rath Building.
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JOHN BRUSO
CHAIR