

July 15, 2010

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 9

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR WHYTE.  
CHAIR MILLER-WILLIAMS PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:

a. COMM. 13M-2 (2010)  
**ECMCC:** "Minutes from Meeting Held 6/1/10"  
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2. COMM. 12E-18 (2010)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Health has received an revised grant award from the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Community Environmental Health and Food Protection, Center for Environmental Health in the amount of \$812,239 for implementing the "Erie County Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Pilot Program"; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Pilot Program is to identify and address lead hazards in high risk zip codes in Erie County in order to prevent at-risk children from becoming lead poisoned; and

WHEREAS, this will be accomplished through neighborhood surveys, home paint inspections and lead risk assessments, provision of services, distribution of intervention products for hazard control, and education and training for property owners, tenants and volunteers in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to subcontract with the Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo for an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for the period 10/1/09 to 9/30/10 for the purposes of administering a lead safe work practices on-the-job training program with not-for-profit organizations, such as WNY AmeriCorps, and providing assistance with community outreach and a continuing lead awareness ad campaign; and

WHEREAS, the EPA Renovators, Remodelers and Painters Rule (RRP) has replaced 'lead safe work practices' training and applies to property owners in the surveyed neighborhoods, and the Erie County Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Pilot Program wishes to assist property owners by providing this course; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to establish a fee schedule for providing the EPA 'Renovators, Remodelers and Painters Rule' training classes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to enter into a subcontract with the Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo for an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for the period 10/1/09 to 9/30/10 for the purpose of administering a lead safe work practices on-the-job training program with not-for-profit organizations, such as WNY AmeriCorps, and providing assistance with community outreach and a continuing lead awareness ad campaign; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the subcontract with the Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo, is a special service which must be provided immediately and continuously and was originally proposed to the granting agency and is now expected by the granting agency to complete the grant deliverables and therefore the RFP procedure required under Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code, is hereby waived; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Fee Schedule for training classes provided by the County for the EPA Renovators, Remodelers and Painters (RRP) course shall be:

Property Owner / Designated Handyman /tenant	\$150.00 each person
Property Owner/Designated Handyman (under Notice & Demand)	\$110.00 each person
Local or Tribal Government housing staff	\$75.00 each person
Not-For- Profit Agency volunteers	\$75.00 each person
Not-For-Profit Agency staff	exempt

Note: Only 'do it yourself' property owners and designated 'handymen' or tenants approved to do work by the property owner will be eligible. No licensed contractors.

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Personnel, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law and to Dr. Anthony J. Billittier, IV, M.D., Commissioner of Health, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Rath Building.  
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3. COMM. 13E-13 (2010)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the approved 2010 Erie County budget provides funding under Title III-C-1 of the Older Americans Act to operate the Stay Fit Dining Program supplying nutritious noonday meals to

persons 60 years of age and over in senior centers, housing complexes and community centers throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, some seniors are not able to cook healthy meals on weekends or do not have transportation to go grocery shopping; and

WHEREAS, the Stay Fit Dining Program is not in a position to offer all participants fresh-cooked meals seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Senior Services wishes to pilot test the delivery of frozen meals for weekend use to determine the potential for this method to meet the needs of disadvantaged seniors; and

WHEREAS, a survey was conducted among senior housing complexes to gauge the need for such frozen meals and the housing organizations' ability to distribute them; and

WHEREAS, \$30,000 is available in the approved 2010 County budget (163III-C-12010, account 516027) to offer a pilot program of frozen weekend meals to senior residents of three housing complexes in the County; and

WHEREAS, no additional County funds are required for this pilot project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that existing 2010 contracts with the following organizations be amended to allow for the preparation and distribution of frozen weekend meals:

Sodexo America LLC  
272-280 Linwood Avenue, Inc. (dba Baptist Manor Senior Apartments)  
Maryvale East Management Corporation  
Town of Hamburg

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Comptroller's Office, the Department of Law and the Department of Senior Services.

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4. COMM. 13E-14 (2010)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services recently received Legislative authorization to accept funds for a special project entitled Disproportionate Minority Representation which examines the disproportionate numbers of minority children in foster care; and

WHEREAS, the activities of the project will include, training, technical assistance, focus groups and public relations and will involve Family Court, Probation, Mental Health, Health and Social Services as well as community based partners; and

WHEREAS, the Department conducted two separate Requests for Proposals to identify contractors to facilitate focus groups development and a public relations planning and single proposals were received to each request from Diversity STAT, and each proposal meets the terms of the respective RFP; and

WHEREAS, there is no local share to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive and/or the Commissioner of Social Services are hereby authorized to execute one or more agreements with Diversity STAT for focus group development and public relations planning; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the 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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5. COMM. 13E-20 (2010)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services has issued an annual Request for Proposals (RFP), selected providers for its Employee Education and Training Program pursuant to Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code, and has the responses, evaluation and selection material available; and

WHEREAS, these contracts will enable employees of the Department of Social Services to upgrade their professional knowledge and skills thereby benefiting Departmental operations; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services must have Legislative approval to renew Employee Education and Training Program contracts; and

WHEREAS, there is no fiscal impact to the 2010 Adopted Budget based on this resolution and no additional County local share funds are necessary because the existing appropriation in Account 516040, DSS Training and Education, is sufficient to cover these contract renewals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive and/or the Commissioner of Social Services are hereby authorized to renew the Employee Education and Training Program contracts to New York State mandated State University of New York (SUNY) institutions as specified below:

<u>Educational Institution</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Gross Contract</u>	<u>Institution's Contribution</u>	<u>Paid by ECDSS</u>
Buffalo State College (CDHS) degrees (Master's/ Bachelor's)	09/01/10-08/31/11	\$437,400	\$157,464	\$279,936
Buffalo State College (CDHS) (In-service Training and Organizational Development)	09/01/10-08/31/11	\$839,600	\$302,256	\$537,344
Empire State College (Bachelor's/Associate's Degrees in Business/Community and Human Services)	09/01/10-08/31/11	\$396,829	\$119,049	\$277,780
Empire State College (In-Service Training)	09/01/10-08/31/11	\$579,292	\$173,788	\$405,504
SUNYAB – School of Social Work (Master's of Social Work)	09/01/10-08/31/11	\$309,965	\$108,487	\$201,478

Erie Community College (In-Service Training)	10/1/09-9/30/10	\$138,398	\$49,823	\$88,575
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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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**THOMAS J. MAZUR  
CHAIR**