

JANUARY 25, 2007

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 1

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT EXCEPT LEGISLATOR WEINSTEIN.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
 - a. INTRO 7-1 (2006)
SMITH: Erie County Integrated Setting Committee
(3-0)
 - b. INTRO 7-9 (2006)
SMITH: Repeal of Lord's Manfield Rule in NYS
(3-0)
 - c. COMM. 15E-22 (2006)
MARINELLI: Human Services Matrix Initiatives
(3-0)
 - d. COMM. 25M-5 (2006)
COORDINATED CARE: Cancellation of Contract for CASA Services to COE
(3-0)
2. COMM. 1E-16 (2007)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature has already appropriated funds for the Area Agency on Aging (III-B) and the Congregate Dining (III-C-1) grants for the period January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007, and the Weatherization Referral and Packaging Program (WRAP-SOFA) grant for the periods October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006 and October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office for the Aging notified the Department of Senior Services (Department) of continued funding for the Operation Restore Trust (ORT) grant for the period July 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 and increased funding for the WRAP-SOFA grant for the period October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to continue to contract with the American Red Cross, the designated Ombudsman for Erie County, to provide the ombudsman services required by the grant, which provides information and education on Medicare and Medicaid waste, abuse and fraud, and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross will provide the required \$3,306 in local match for the \$9,917 in federal funding for the period July 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the 2007 adopted budget for the III-C-1 grant omitted one of the subcontractors' names, Town of Amherst, and the Department desires to allocate the contractual services appropriations between the two intended subcontractors, and

WHEREAS, the Department continually reviews potential locations to expand the Stay Fit Dining program throughout Erie County, and

WHEREAS, the Department recommends that a new congregate dining site, located at the Edward Saunders Community Center, be added to the Stay Fit Dining program to serve needful seniors in a previously underserved community, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to contract with the sponsor, Community Action Organization, Inc., to begin serving meals after January 15, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the grant budget has sufficient clean-up funds appropriated, and

WHEREAS, the Department has reviewed its III-B service objectives and positions and desires to delete the Contract Monitor position, job group XI, in the III-B grant, vacated as a result of a recent retirement, and create an Assistant Project Administrator position, job group IX, in the same grant, which will assist in some of the contractual monitoring tasks as well as assist in project management duties, and

WHEREAS, these position changes are reflected in the SAP system on B-100 position authorization forms, Control numbers 2627 and 2628, and

WHEREAS, the County budget for the ORT grant needs to be established and the County budgets for the III-C-1 and WRAP-SOFA grants need to be revised, and

WHEREAS, these budget revisions will not affect County funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the American Red Cross for the remainder of the ORT grant period at the amount authorized herein, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Community Action Organization, Inc. during 2007 to sponsor the Stay Fit dining site, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Contract Monitor position, job group XI, be deleted and the Assistant Project Administrator position, job group IX, be created in the III-B grant, effective the date of this resolution, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the ORT grant, 163ORT0607, be established as follows:

		INITIAL BUDGET
REVENUES		
Account	Description	
414000	Federal Aid-Programs for Aging	\$9,917
466100	Other Revenue-Grant Program	3,306
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$13,223</u>
APPROPRIATIONS		
516010	American Red Cross	<u>\$13,223</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>\$13,223</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the III-C-1 grant, 163III-C-12007, be revised as follows:

		CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
APPROPRIATIONS				
Account	Description			
516010	Salvation Army	\$143,781	-\$92,069	\$51,712
516010	Town of Amherst Senior Ctr.	0	92,069	92,069
TOTAL CHANGE			<u>\$0</u>	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the WRAP-SOFA grant, 163WRAP-SOFA0506, be revised as follows:

		CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
APPROPRIATIONS				
Account	Description			
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$77,472	-\$2,253	\$75,219
505000	Office Supplies	350	-24	326
510000	Local Mileage Reimbursement	7,512	-125	7,387
530000	Other Expenses-Last Resort	73,117	2,402	75,519
TOTAL CHANGE			<u>\$0</u>	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the WRAP-SOFA grant, 163WRAP-SOFA0607, be revised as follows:

		CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
REVENUES				
Account	Description			
414000	Federal Aid	\$335,366	\$62,978	\$398,344
TOTAL REVENUE			<u>\$62,978</u>	
APPROPRIATIONS				
510000	Local Mileage Reimbursement	\$4,000	\$2,550	\$6,550
530000	Other Expenses-Last Resort	66,138	63,428	129,566
980000	ID DISS Services	6,000	-3,000	3,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			<u>\$62,978</u>	

and be it further

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

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3. COMM. 2E-15 (2007)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services will receive a \$25,000 cash donation from the United Way of Buffalo and Erie County for preventive services aimed at supplementing the successful Closing the Gap initiative, and

WHEREAS, the Closing the Gap initiative has been fully supported with non-tax levy dollars over the last three year period, and

WHEREAS, this funding is to be used to supplement an existing contract with Western New York United Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse as the lead agency for this program, and

WHEREAS, the Full Services Schools initiative places casework staff in school buildings to provide an outreach specialist function to assist students as needed in assessment, counseling, referral and intervention, and

WHEREAS, staff assigned focus on the unique needs of individual students and bridge the gap between students, teachers, administrators, support staff and community service providers, and

WHEREAS, there is no fiscal impact to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments are hereby authorized in the 2007 Adopted Budget:

Department of Social Services, Department 120, Fund 110

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INCREASE/ (DECREASE)</u>
516010	Western New York United Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse	<u>\$71,428</u>
	Total Expenditure	<u>\$71,428</u>
418430	Donated Funds – PINS and Preventive	\$25,000
407680	State Aid Services for Recipients	<u>46,428</u>
	Total Revenue	<u>\$71,428</u>

RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the Commissioner of Social Services are authorized to execute necessary contracts and agreements for this program, and be it further

RESOLVED, due to the immediate need to fund this program with the established lead provider agency, the requirement for Request for Proposals is waived, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller and the Director of the Division of Budget, Management and Finance.
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4. **COMM. 2E-16 (2007)**
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature has already appropriated funds for the Community Services for the Elderly (CSE), Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) grants for the period April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office for the Aging has notified the Department of Senior Services (Department) that additional CSE, EISEP and SNAP funds are available, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to use the additional CSE grant funds to initiate a pilot project to cover the costs of aide transportation for clients in selected zip codes deemed hard to reach due to lack of readily available transportation options, who have been on a waiting list for a long time, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to purchase two replacement vehicles for two that have high mileage, high repairs, and which will assist in maintaining the existing transportation fleet in a workable and safe condition for seniors, and

WHEREAS, the Department also desires to allocate a portion of the CSE funds to be used for minor residential repairs for frail, low-income seniors who need such assistance to maintain their independence in their home, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to use the additional EISEP grant funds to increase the per diem day care reimbursement to adult day care agencies, which has remained unchanged for over a decade, and to increase funding for Personal Emergency Response Systems, in order to substantially reduce the wait list, and for home care services to the elderly, and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to use the additional SNAP funding to cover increased food costs in the home delivered meal program, and

WHEREAS, the Department contracts with Meals on Wheels of Buffalo and Erie County, Inc., now Meals on Wheels of WNY, Inc., (MOWs) to provide home delivered meals under the SNAP grant, and

WHEREAS, the contract with MOWs needs to be amended to reflect the additional SNAP funding, and

WHEREAS, the CSE, EISEP and SNAP grant budgets need to be revised, and

WHEREAS, additional local match is not required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to accept the additional CSE, EISEP and SNAP funds from New York State Office for Aging, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to amend the contract with the Meal on Wheels of Western New York, Inc. to reflect the additional SNAP funding, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the CSE grant, 163CSE0607, be revised as follows:

	CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
REVENUES			
Account Description			
409000 State Aid	\$923,887	\$61,566	\$985,453
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$61,566</u>	
APPROPRIATIONS			
500000 Full Time Salaries	\$211,218	-\$51,600	\$159,618
502000 Fringe Benefits	83,047	-14,334	68,713
505000 Office Supplies	989	1,000	1,989
516020 Professional Services-Aide Transit Other Expenses-Minor Residential	0	5,000	5,000
530000 Repair	1,720	74,000	75,720
561440 Motor Vehicles	0	44,500	44,500
980000 ID DISS Services		3,000	3,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>\$61,566</u>	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the EISEP grant, 163EISEP0607, be revised as follows:

	CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
REVENUES			
Account Description			
409000 State Aid	\$2,752,890	\$150,135	\$2,903,025
466000 Miscellaneous Receipts	\$113,091	\$1,000	114,091
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$151,135</u>	
APPROPRIATIONS			
516020 Home Care Services	\$1,735,406	\$131,135	\$1,866,541
516020 Day Care Services	70,000	15,000	85,000
516020 Personal Emergency Response Services	35,000	5,000	40,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>\$151,135</u>	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the SNAP grant, 163SNAP0607, be revised as follows:

	CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGES	AMENDED BUDGET
REVENUES			
Account Description			
409000 State Aid	\$734,481	\$47,102	\$781,583
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$47,102</u>	
APPROPRIATIONS			
516010 Meals on Wheels	\$1,256,182	\$47,102	\$1,303,284
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>\$47,102</u>	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office; the Division of Budget, Management and Finance; the County Attorney's Office; the Comptroller's Office and the Department of Senior Services.
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THOMAS J. MAZUR
CHAIRMAN