

**Catherine Borgia**Legislator, 9<sup>th</sup> District

Chair, Budget &amp; Appropriations Committee

**Committee Assignments:**

Appointments  
Environment & Health  
Intergovernmental Services  
Labor & Housing  
Legislation  
Planning, Economic Development & Energy  
Social Services

To: Ben Boykin, Chairman of the Board of Legislators  
Sunday Vanderberg, Clerk of the Board of Legislators

From: Catherine Borgia, 9<sup>th</sup> District

Date: March 25, 2021

Re: Inter-municipal Agreement to provide the Ossining Basics Program

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Please refer the attached ACT, which would authorize the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Ossining Union Free School District, pursuant to which Ossining will provide its Ossining Basics Program for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, in the amount not to exceed Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five (\$2,175.00) Dollars, payable in full upon execution of the IMA, to the appropriate committees on the April 12, 2021 Westchester County Board of Legislators agenda.

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS  
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Legislators recommending the adoption of an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the “County”) to enter into an inter-municipal agreement (“IMA”) with the Ossining Union Free School District (“Ossining”), pursuant to which Ossining will provide its Ossining Basics Program (the “Program”) for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The County will pay Ossining an amount not to exceed Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five (\$2,175.00) Dollars, payable in full upon execution of the IMA, in accordance with an approved budget.

Pursuant to the IMA, Ossining will provide the Program, a set of five easy and nurturing practices that stimulate brain growth in children from birth to age 3. The Program will help parents and caregivers of young children thrive cognitively, physically, socially and emotionally, and enter school better prepared.

Your Committee has determined that there is a clear and overwhelming need for the Program. Accordingly, Your Committee recommends authorizing the County to enter into the proposed IMA.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not constitute an action as defined in section 617.2(b) of 6NYCRR Part 617. No environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee has been advised that passage of the attached Act requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board. Your Committee has carefully considered this proposed legislation authorizing the above-mentioned IMA and recommends its approval.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_  
White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON**

ACT NO. \_\_\_\_-20\_\_

**AN ACT** authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with Ossining Union Free School District (“Ossining”) pursuant to which Ossining will provide its Ossining Basics Program for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 for a total amount not to exceed \$2,175.00.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:


**Section 1.** The County of Westchester (the “County”), is hereby authorized to enter into an inter-municipal agreement (the “IMA”) with Ossining, pursuant to which Ossining will provide its Ossining Basics Program for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, for a total amount not to exceed Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five (\$2,175.00) Dollars, payable in full upon execution of the IMA, in accordance with an approved budget.

**§2.** Ossining shall submit a written report, including statistics, to the County, of the program. Evaluations will be based on the extent to which objectives of the program were accomplished.

**§3.** The Chair of the Board of Legislators or his designee (the “Chair”) is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents and take such actions as the Chair deems necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes hereof.

**§4.** This Act shall take effect immediately.

TO: Andrea Ettere, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Clerk - Administrative Office  
Board of Legislators

FROM: David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM   
Director of Environmental Planning

DATE: March 24, 2021

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR  
OSSINING BASICS PROGRAM**

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**PROJECT/ACTION:** An intermunicipal agreement with the Ossining Union Free School District, whereby the County will provide funding to support the Ossining Basics Program for the 2021 calendar year. The program educates parents and caregivers of young children of simple practices that they can do to stimulate brain growth in children from birth to age 3 to help them thrive cognitively, physically, socially and emotionally, and enter school better prepared.

**With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no further environmental review is required because the project/action:**

- DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF AN “ACTION” AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 617.2(b)**
- MAY BE CLASSIFIED AS TYPE II PURSUANT TO SECTION 617.5(c)( ):**
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**COMMENTS:** None

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cc: Steven Bass, Assistant to the County Executive  
Norma Drummond, Commissioner  
Mary Beth Gose, Fiscal Analyst, Board of Legislators  
Michelle Greenbaum, Assistant County Attorney  
Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner