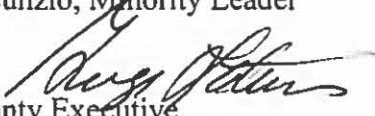


February 17, 2021

TO: Hon. Benjamin Boykin, Chair
Hon. Alfreda Williams, Vice Chair
Hon. MaryJane Shimsky, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer 
Westchester County Executive

RE: Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: **Act – Resource Allocation Plan.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators February 22, 2021 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith is an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to execute and submit to the State of New York (the "State") a resource allocation plan.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for February 22, 2021 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Office of the County Executive
George Latimer

February 17, 2021

Westchester County Board of Legislators
800 Michaelian Office Building
White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith is an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to execute and submit to the State of New York (the "State") a resource allocation plan (the "Plan"), which will qualify the County for certain State reimbursement through the Office of Children and Family Services (the "OCFS") for the program year commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020 for certain youth services programs and related administrative activities.

The total aggregate reimbursement to the County under the Plan shall be Nine Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Thirteen (\$931,013.00) Dollars. Pursuant to the Plan, the County will administer funds on behalf of OCFS for the following funding streams: Youth Development Programming and Runaway and Homeless Youth Act Funding. It should be noted that OCFS requires approval by your Honorable Board in order for the County to enter into the Plan.

As part of the Plan, OCFS reserves the right to modify the services or budgets at its discretion or when such modification may be required by the State Comptroller. In addition, OCFS may withhold approval for reimbursement for youth programs included in the event of noncompliance with the Plan or rules and regulations of OCFS or if the County does not have a County Child and Family Services Plan approved by OCFS. The County has a County Child and Family Services Plan for the period from 2018 through 2022, which was approved by OCFS on June 20, 2019.

The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Plan does not constitute an "Action" pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and its implementing rules and regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617, and, therefore, is not subject to review under SEQRA. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

As the County's participation in this Plan will permit reimbursement by the State for certain youth services programs, I strongly recommend that your Honorable Board adopt the annexed Act.

Sincerely,



George Latimer
County Executive

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act, which, if approved by this Honorable Board, authorizes the County of Westchester (the "County") to execute and submit to the State of New York (the "State") a resource allocation plan (the "Plan"), which will qualify the County for certain State reimbursement through the Office of Children and Family Services ("OCFS") for the program year commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020 for certain youth services programs and related administrative activities.

Your Committee is advised that the total aggregate reimbursement to the County under the Plan shall be Nine Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Thirteen (\$931,013.00) Dollars. Pursuant to the Plan, the County will administer funds on behalf of OCFS for the following funding streams: Youth Development Programming and Runaway and Homeless Youth Act Funding. Your Committee is advised that OCFS requires the approval of this Honorable Board in order for the County to enter into the Plan.

Your Committee is further advised that as part of the Plan, OCFS reserves the right to modify the services or budgets at its discretion or when such modification may be required by the State Comptroller. In addition, OCFS may withhold approval for reimbursement for youth programs included in the event of noncompliance with the Plan or rules and regulations of OCFS or if the County does not have a County Child and Family Services Plan approved by OCFS. Your Committee is advised that the County has a County Child and Family Services Plan for the period from 2018 through 2022 that was approved by OCFS on June 20, 2019.

The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Plan does not constitute an "Action" pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing rules and regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617, and, therefore, is not subject to review under SEQR. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee is advised that an affirmative vote of a majority of the voting strength of this Honorable Board is required for approval of the attached Act to authorize the County to execute the Plan and submit it to the State.

Your Committee believes that the County's participation in the Plan will benefit youth by providing State reimbursement for certain programs. Therefore, your Committee recommends adoption of the proposed Act.

Dated: _____, 20__.

White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Act for Resource Allocation Plan/State Reimburse't

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department)

A) GENERAL FUND AIRPORT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Districts)

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost \$ 965675

Total Current Year Revenue \$ 931,013

Source of Funds (check one): Current Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Additional Appropriations Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: Operating Acct: 101-11-0400-OBJ 1010, 101-11-0400-OBJ 4380,

& 4436 Rev Source 9734

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$ 194,118

Describe: Youth Bureau Staff Salary Exp for YDP and required match for RHY Programs: \$115,751 under 101-11-0400; RHY Prog Exp as reqd local match \$28,367 under 101-11-0400-4436 and West City Park & Rec Staff salary exp \$50,000.

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 931,013

Describe: Reimbursements by State to YB for services of Non Profit Orgs & RHY \$771,557 (101-11-0400-9734); Reimbursement of YB Staff Salary by State \$109,456; Park & Recreation Dept \$50,000

Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

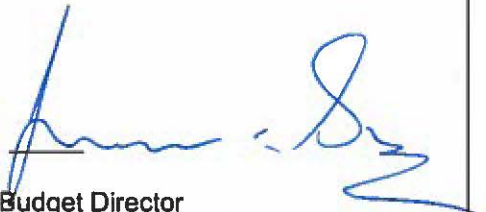
Current Year: \$34,662 Youth Bureau

Next Four years: Same as above

Prepared by: Bernie Dean

Title: Financial Coordinator

Department: CEO/Youth Bureau

Reviewed By: 
Budget Director
2/4/21

If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.

TO: Dr. DaMia Harris-Madden, Executive Director
Youth Bureau

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



DATE: October 2, 2020

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR YOUTH BUREAU
INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS 2020**

PROJECT/ACTION: Agreements between the County and local municipalities within Westchester County pursuant to which the County will provide funding to municipalities for the provision of certain youth services for the 2020 calendar year. All of the programs to be funded are existing, ongoing programs that do not change the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, or otherwise affect the environment.

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)():**

COMMENTS: The youth services or programs to be funded have previously received support or would have otherwise been included in the Youth Bureau's Resource Allocation Plan, which is typically prepared and submitted annually to the State of New York to qualify the County for State reimbursement through its Office of Children and Family Services. This memorandum also covers any subsequent action to obtain such State reimbursement for these youth services and programs, should the State reinstate its funding program.

DSK/cnm

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Norma Drummond, Commissioner
Michelle Greenbaum, Assistant County Attorney
Mary Kate Cabaleiro, Program Administrator
Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to execute and submit to the State of New York a Resource Allocation Plan which will provide State reimbursement for certain youth services programs.

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 execute and submit to the State of New York (the "State") a Resource Allocation Plan (the "Plan"), which will qualify the County for certain State reimbursement through the Office of Children and Family Services (the "OCFS"), for the program year commencing January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020 for certain youth services programs and related administrative activities. The total aggregate reimbursement to the County under the Plan shall be Nine Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Thirteen (\$931,013.00) Dollars.

§2. The County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute all instruments and to take all actions reasonably necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

§3. This Act shall take effect immediately.