## HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act, which if approved by your Honorable Board, will 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 its Office of Children and Family Services ("OCFS"). The Plan will authorize the County to allocate funds to administer certain youth services programs to be provided by certain municipalities and not-for-profit corporations and to related administrative activities, for a program period of twelve (12) months, commencing October 1, 2024 and terminating September 30, 2025.

Your Committee is advised that the total aggregate reimbursement amount that the County will receive under the Plan will be One Million, Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty-Four and 00/100 (\$1,725,564.00) Dollars ("Funds"). Pursuant to the Plan, the County will administer the Funds on behalf of OCFS under the following funding streams: (i) Youth Development Program funds ("YDP"); (ii) Runaway and Homeless Youth Act funding ("RHYA"); (iii) Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funding ("YSEF"); and (iv) the program entitled "Youth Team Sports" ("YTS"). It should be noted that OCFS requires approval by your Honorable Board in order for the County to accept the Funds under the Plan.

In addition, your Committee is advised that the proposed Act will further authorize the County to enter into inter-municipal agreements ("IMAs") with the indicated municipalities set forth below, for the provision of positive youth development programs and sports education programs listed below (individually, the "Program," and, collectively, the "Programs"), for the period of twelve (12) months, from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, in a total aggregate amount not to exceed Three Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Fifty-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$369,656.00), allocated per Program as follows:

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Peekskill, City of	Build a Boat	YTH2539	\$ 5,738.00
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Pelham, Village of	Young Entrepreneurs Program	YTH2561	\$ 7,637.00
Port Chester, Village of	Summer Camp Employment	YTH2541	\$ 7,935.00
	Youth Bureau Community Forum	YTH2542	\$ 4,773.00
	Youth Bureau - Summer Youth Employment	YTH2559	\$ 22,247.00
Rye, City of	Youth Council	YTH2543	\$ 4,773.00
Rye Brook, Village of	Youth Officer	YTH2544	\$ 4,773.00
Scarsdale, Village of	Community Youth Service Project	YTH2545	\$ 4,773.00
Sleepy Hollow, Village of	Summer Program	YTH2547	\$ 4,773.00
	Summer Youth Employment	YTH2558	\$ 4,773.00
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Tarrytown, Village of	Camp Summer Employment	YTH2548	\$ 4,324.00
Tuckahoe, Village of	Youth Services	YTH2550	\$ 4,773.00
White Plains, City	Comprehensive Yth Alt Projects	YTH2551	\$ 29,139.00
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Sleepy Hollow, Village of	Sports Activities	NYSSP2516	\$	14,000.00
White Plains, City of	Sports Activities	NYSSP2517	\$	15,000.00

Your Committee is advised that, in addition to the IMAs, the County will enter into numerous agreements with various not-for-profit corporations, municipalities and community-based organizations under the YDP, the RHYA, the YSEF and the YTS programs, for the provision of various youth programs designed to provide opportunities for youth to actively acquire the skills and abilities needed to grow up to be competent, caring and healthy adults as well as programs intended to support local team sports programs across New York State and to provide crisis shelter services to run away and homeless youth through the operation of a 14 bed 24 x 7 shelter entitled "Sanctuary Program," subject to all necessary legal approvals.

Since the Plan does not constitute a procurement of goods or services, your Committee is advised that the Plan is not subject to the provisions of the Westchester County Procurement Policy. In addition, your Committee is advised that the IMAs are exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a) xviii thereof, regarding recreation projects and programs for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime and the advancement of the moral, physical, mental and social well-being of the youth of Westchester County.

Your Committee is further advised that pursuant to the Plan, OCFS reserves the right to modify the services or budget at its discretion or when required by the State Comptroller. In addition, pursuant to the Plan, OCFS may withhold approval for reimbursement for certain 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 which was already approved by OCFS on July 17, 2023. The next five-year Plan (2025-2029) is currently under review.

Your Committee is also advised that the Programs use positive youth development models to focus on providing opportunities for youth to actively acquire the skills and abilities needed to grow up to be competent, caring and healthy adults. The Programs will implement service, opportunities and supports that target specific areas of positive youth development. The Programs will administer internal controls to

collect and analyze qualitative and quantitative outcomes to measure the efficacy of Program goals and their ability to increase positive youth development. The Programs anticipate outcomes of positive skills attainment, social competencies and an increased measure of positive youth development across all measurable areas.

Your Committee is further advised that the Program outcomes will be tracked and monitored by evaluation of the Programs' data; monthly, quarterly, and annual reports submitted to the County Youth Bureau, and through site visits by the County Youth Bureau Program monitor.

The Department of Planning has advised your Committee that based on its review, the authorization of the proposed Plan and IMAs do not meet the definition of an action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617(2)(b). Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 8, 2024, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee believes that the County's participation in the Plan and entering into the IMAs will benefit youth by providing funding for certain programs that target specific areas of positive youth development. Therefore, your Committee recommends adoption of the proposed Act. It should be noted that an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to adopt the attached Act. Accordingly, your Committee recommends the annexed proposed Act for adoption.

Dated: January 13th, 2025

White Plains, New York

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**COMMITTEE ON** 

Budget & Appropriations

Veterans, Soniors & Youth

Dated: January 13, 2025 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below

Committee(s) on:

**Budget & Appropriations** 

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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: NYS OCFS 2024/5 Allocation/Municipalities NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department) A) X GENERAL FUND AIRPORT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Districts) B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES **Total Current Year Cost** \$ 1777227 Total Current Year Revenue \$ 1,725,564 Source of Funds (check one): □ Current Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations Other (explain) Identify Accounts: Operating Acct: 101-11-0400-OBJ 1010, 165-42-4750-OBJ 1010, 101-0400-OBJ 4436, 263 11-A530-OBJ 4380, 263-11-A108-OBJ 4380, Rev Source 9734 Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$ 215,752 Describe: Youth Bureau Staff Salary Exp for YDP and required match for RHY Programs: \$123,482 under 101-11-0400-1010; RHY Prog Exp as regd local match \$42,270 under 101-11-0400-4436 and under 165-42-4575-1010 West Cty Park & Rec Staff salary exp \$50,000. Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 1,725,564 Describe: Reimbursements by State to YB Non Profit Orgs \$360,000 (263-11-A530-9584) Municipalities \$311,656 (263-11-A530-9584) RHYA Program \$126,810 (263-11-A108-9584) YDP & RHYA Admin \$114,089 (101-11-0400-9734) All Sports \$763,009 (263-11-A530-9584) and WCPRF \$50,000 (165-42-4750-9734) Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations: Current Year: \$41,022 Youth Bureau Next Four years: NA eviewed By: Prepared by: Bernie Dean **Budget Director** Title: Financial Administrator Department: CEO/Youth Bureau If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.

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 and enter into inter-municipal agreements with various municipalities to implement certain of those programs.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester, acting by and through its Youth Bureau (the "County"), is hereby authorized to execute and submit to the State of New York ("State") a Resource Allocation Plan (the "Plan") which will qualify the County to receive certain State reimbursements through the State's Office of Children and Family Services ("OCFS"), in the total aggregate amount of One Million, Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty-Four and 00/100 (\$1,725,564.00) Dollars ("Funds"). The Plan will allocate the Funds for certain youth services programs and related administrative activities, for the program period of twelve (12) months, commencing October 1, 2024 and terminating September 30, 2025, under the following funding streams: (i) Youth Development Program funds; (ii) Runaway and Homeless Youth Act funding; (iii) Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funding; and (iv) the program entitled "Youth Team Sports".

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- §3. The County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents appropriate and necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.
  - §4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY	)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 25 - 2025, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on January 27, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on January 28, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

