



Office of the County Executive
George Latimer

October 4, 2022

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, acting by and through its Youth Bureau (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 year retroactively commencing on January 1, 2022 and terminating on December 31, 2022.

The total aggregate reimbursement amount the County will receive under the Plan will be Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Four and 00/100 (\$970,974.00) Dollars ("Funds"). Pursuant to the Plan, the County will administer the Funds on behalf of OCFS under the following funding streams: (i) Youth Development Programming; (ii) Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, and (iii) the newly created program entitled "Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funding." It should be noted that OCFS requires approval by your Honorable Board in order for the County to accept the Funds under the Plan.


As a way of background, on May 23, 2022, your Honorable Board approved Act No. 63-2022, which authorized the County to enter into inter-municipal agreements with certain municipalities listed therein to provide certain Positive Youth Development Programs, for the period from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, in a total aggregate amount not to exceed Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Nine and 00/100 (\$297,489.00) Dollars.

Pursuant to 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, pursuant to the Plan, OCFS may withhold approval for reimbursement for certain youth programs in the event of (i) noncompliance with the Plan or OCFS's rules and regulations or (ii) if the County does not have a separate County Child and Family Services Plan approved by OCFS. Please note that the County has a County Child and Family Services Plan which was already approved by OCFS on June 1, 2022.

The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Plan does not meet the definition of an "action" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617. As such, no environmental review is required. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 14, 2022, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. 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 the administration of important youth services programs, I strongly recommend that your Honorable Board adopt the annexed Act.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Latimer", written in a cursive style.

George Latimer
County Executive
DHM/mkc/

**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 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 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 year retroactively commencing on January 1, 2022 and terminating on December 31, 2022.

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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 youth 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 \$ 1,005,185

Total Current Year Revenue \$ 970,974

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 \$ 193,541

Describe: Youth Bureau Staff Salary Exp for YDP and required match for RHY Programs: \$115,550 under 101-11-0400-1010; RHY Prog Exp as reqd local match \$27,991 under 101-11-0400-4436 and West City Park & Rec Staff salary exp \$50,000.

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 970,974

Describe: Reimbursements by State to YB Non Profit Orgs & Rec Dept \$736,456 (263-11-530X-9584) RHY \$83,974 (263-11-108X-9584); Reimbursement of YB Staff Salary by State \$109,330; YB NFP Youth Sports \$41,214 (101-11-0400-9734)

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

Current Year: \$34,211 Youth Bureau

Next Four years: Same as above

Prepared by: Bernie Dean *BD*

Title: Financial Administrator

Department: CEO/Youth Bureau

Reviewed By: *[Signature]*

Budget Director

10/6/02

If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.

ACT NO. 2022 - ____

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 a Resource Allocation Plan (the “Plan”) which will qualify the County to receive certain State reimbursements through its Office of Children and Family Services (“OCFS”), for certain youth services programs and related administrative activities, in the total aggregate amount of Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy Four and 00/100 (\$970,974.00) Dollars, for the program year retroactively commencing on January 1, 2022 and terminating on December 31, 2022.

§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.