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MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislators, Directors, Staff and Media
FROM: Cheryl M. Rozzi, Clerk of the Legislature 
DATE: November 27, 2012
RE: Matter of Importance – File No. 12-0365

12-0365 – Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Department of Health for Support of the Monroe County Nurse-Family Partnership Program and Amend Resolution 170 of 2012 to Increase the Contract with Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. – As A Matter of Importance – County Executive Maggie Brooks

This referral was not made to committee at the preceding meeting of the Legislature on November 13, 2012 but has been determined by President Jeffrey R. Adair to be of sufficient importance to warrant referral between Legislative meetings, pursuant to Sections 545-24 (C) of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature.

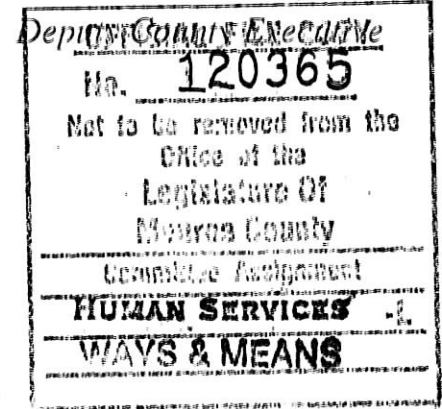
Attachment



Office of the County Executive
Monroe County, New York

Maggie Brooks
County Executive

Daniel M. DeLaus, Jr.



November 26, 2012

To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Department of Health for Support of the Monroe County Nurse-Family Partnership Program and Amend Resolution 170 of 2012 to Increase the Contract with Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc.

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a five-year grant from the New York State Department of Health, in the amount of \$1,333,966, to support the Nurse-Family Partnership Program, for the period of April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2017, and amend Resolution 170 of 2012 to increase the contract with Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc., to a total amount not to exceed \$1,141,464, for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

This grant provides Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds for the County's existing Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) program. The NFP program is an evidence-based nurse home visiting program that has been rigorously evaluated and includes expertly trained nurses delivering the services per a standard curriculum. The NFP program annually provides home visits to up to 335 high-risk, first time mothers, their infants and families to improve their pregnancy outcomes and their health, well-being and self-sufficiency through an existing contract with Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. NFP nurses will also provide home visits to approximately 52 TANF recipients who meet the same program criteria. The grant will also support other program related expenses such as administrative salaries, benefits and other program costs. This will be the third year the County has received this grant. This year's funding represents an annualized decrease in the amount of \$205,819 from last year. Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. provides the nurses who make home visits to all NFP clients and administrative support in arranging for travel, accommodations and training for the program.

A request for qualifications was issued for these services and Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. was selected as most qualified to provide these services.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or her designee, to accept a \$1,333,966 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Department of Health, for support of the Nurse-Family Partnership program, for the period of April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2017.
2. Amend the 2012 operating budget of the Department of Public Health by appropriating the sum of \$387,003 into fund 9001, funds center 5803050000, Nurse-Family Partnership.

3. Amend Resolution 170 of 2012 to amend the contract with Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc., 2180 Empire Boulevard, Webster, New York, 14580, to increase the amount by \$45,000, bringing the total contract amount to \$1,141,464, for the Nurse-Family Partnership program, for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.
4. Authorize the County Executive to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements and to make any necessary funding modifications within grant guidelines, to meet contractual commitments.
5. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

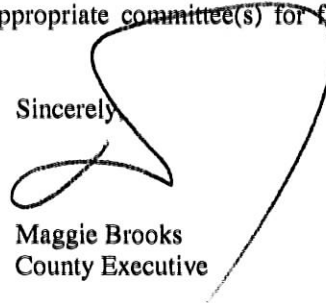
Funding for subsequent years of this grant will be included in future years' budgets.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Department of Health. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. is a not-for-profit entity, and the records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that it does not owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,



Maggie Brooks
County Executive