



Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

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County Executive

April 8, 2022

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

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for the Child Care Facilitated Enrollment Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services in the amount of \$4,835,842 for the Child Care Facilitated Enrollment Program for the period of April 1, 2021 through March 1, 2023.

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services contracts with the New York State American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations ("AFL-CIO") Workforce Development Institute to administer a facilitated enrollment project in Monroe County. However, applications are processed and subsidy payments are made through the Monroe County Department of Human Services. The demonstration program seeks to make the process of applying for child care subsidies easier for working parents and to expand access to child care subsidies for working families with income up to 275% of State Income Standards. AFL-CIO Workforce Development Institute will facilitate initial applications and enrollment activities. Staff from the Department of Human Services will make final eligibility determinations for these cases and process subsidy payments. This will be the seventeenth year the County has received this grant.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$4,835,842 grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for the Child Care Facilitated Enrollment Program for the period of April 1, 2021 through March 1, 2023.
2. Amend the 2022 operating budget of the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services by appropriating the sum of \$4,594,050 into fund 9001, funds center 5113020100, Day Care – WDI and \$241,792 into fund 9001, fund center 5103110000, Child Care Block Grant.
3. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, 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.

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4. 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.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant of 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. No net County support is required in the current Monroe County Budget.

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

Sincerely,


Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive