

Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to enter a 2026 State contract for Community Youth and Family aids in the amount of \$41,548,078, by recommending adoption of the following:

### A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 301.031, Wisconsin State Statutes (State Statutes), requires counties to execute an annual contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Children and Families (DCF) for the Community Youth and Family Aids Program (Youth Aids), and departments must obtain authorization from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors to execute contracts in excess of \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to enter into a 2026 contract with DCF for the provision of youth justice services mandated by State law, and Milwaukee County (the County) cannot receive 2026 revenue from the State until this contract is signed; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Aids allocation is determined by a State formula that is corrections-based and partly weighted on the number of placements to Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Schools, as well as the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 contract amount decreased by \$442,549 compared to the 2025 contract, due to the decline in the County's proportion of youth in correctional placements over the last three years, compared to the State-wide total; and

WHEREAS, in comparison to the 2026 Children, Youth, and Family Services, DHHS, Budget, the State contract represents a net revenue increase of \$150,147, for a total contract amount of \$41,548,078 in Youth Aids and Children and Families Allocation funding; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, at its meeting of December 4, 2025, considered File No. 25-756 for informational purposes only, per Section 59.52(31)(d), State Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 11, 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-756 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract reflecting total revenue of \$41,548,078 with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Children and Families, covering Community Youth and Family Aids (Youth Aids), for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, and any addendum thereto; and

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
47 (County Board) authorizes a Milwaukee County (the County) match of \$511,882, which  
48 is required under the 2026 State contract for Youth Aids, and is included in the 2026  
49 Children, Youth, and Family Services, DHHS, budget; and  
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51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes a County match of  
52 \$6,036,500, which is required under the 2026 State contract for Youth Aids for Title IV-E  
53 administered by Combined Court Related Operations (Combined Courts), and this  
54 match is included in the 2026 Adopted Budget for Combined Courts.  
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