

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

DATE: May 26, 2011

TO: Lee Holloway, Chairman, Milwaukee County Board

FROM: Lisa Marks, Director, Department of Child Support Enforcement

SUBJECT: **REQUEST FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT FOR AUTHORITY TO REVIEW AND APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES WHICH MAY BECOME AVAILABLE THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES BEFORE THE END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2011, AND WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE A LOCAL MATCH GREATER THAN \$10,000, OR 10 % OF A \$100,000 GRANT**

Issue:

Milwaukee County Ordinance 56.06 requires County Board approval prior to submitting grant applications and accepting grant funding.

Discussion:

Governor Walker's proposed 2012-2013 budget creates tremendous fiscal challenges in providing excellent child support services to the Milwaukee County community. Therefore, the department is seeking authority for flexibility in proactively searching for other funding sources through potentially applicable grants. The department is aware of several grant opportunities that have been or will be formally announced by the Department of Human Service – Administration for Children and Families. Three recent announcements have been made, but require research as to application participation. It appears that two of the three opportunities may be limited to the State of Wisconsin and not local municipalities. Additionally, a larger grant specially related to fatherhood initiatives is anticipated sometime over the summer months, pursuant to "The Claims Resolution Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-291)."

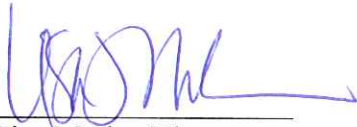
Fiscal:

No fiscal impact is anticipated during the research and application process. The department will bring an updated report upon any grant awards.

Recommendations:

The department is recommending approval of the request for authority to explore an apply for grant funding through the end of calendar year 2011 when the required local match does not exceed \$10,000 or 10 % of a \$100,000 grant.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Marks, Director
Department of Child Support Enforcement

cc: Chris Able, Milwaukee County Executive
Willie Johnson Jr., Chairman, Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee
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Attachments

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(Item _____) From the Director, Department of Child Support Enforcement, requesting authorization to apply for grant dollars offered by the federal Department of Health and Human Services' Administration of Children and Families to support Child Support services.

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the federal Department of Health and Human Services' Administration of Children and Families is currently offering a variety of grants with the potential to supplement the provision of child support services in Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Child Support Enforcement (CSE) is interested in reviewing grant opportunities with an eye to apply for those that creatively address issues facing Milwaukee County child support participants and/or allow CSE to partner with community resources to improve services to participants; and

WHEREAS, CSE will not apply for any grant that requires a county match greater than \$10,000, either with county funding or in-kind services, and will not apply for any grant that is contrary to the adopted budget or any existing policy, including federal and state regulations/statutes, or is inconsistent with CSE's role and mission; and

WHEREAS, CSE requests authorization to apply for grants per Section 56.06 of the Code of General Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, approval of this resolution would result in zero tax levy for Milwaukee County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director of Child Support Enforcement to apply for grants through calendar year 2011 from the Department of Health and Human Services' Administration of Children and Families which support Child Support services in Milwaukee County, require no county match greater than \$10,000 and are consistent with the adopted budget., existing County policy and the role and mission of CSE.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY FISCAL NOTE FORM

DATE: May 26, 2011

Original Fiscal Note

Substitute Fiscal Note

SUBJECT: From Director, Child Support Enforcement, requesting authorization to execute a contract for the 2009 Children First Contracts with New Concepts and United Migrant Opportunity Services Inc. (UMOS) to provide employment services to unemployed or under-employed child support obligors.

FISCAL EFFECT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Direct County Fiscal Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Expenditures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Existing Staff Time Required | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Expenditures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Expenditures
(If checked, check one of two boxes below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Revenues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Absorbed Within Agency's Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Revenues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Absorbed Within Agency's Budget | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Expenditures | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of contingent funds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Revenues | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Revenues | |

Indicate below the dollar change from budget for any submission that is projected to result in increased/decreased expenditures or revenues in the current year.

	Expenditure or Revenue Category	Current Year	Subsequent Year
Operating Budget	Expenditure		
	Revenue		
	Net Cost		
Capital Improvement Budget	Expenditure		
	Revenue		
	Net Cost		

DESCRIPTION OF FISCAL EFFECT

In the space below, you must provide the following information. Attach additional pages if necessary.

- A. Briefly describe the nature of the action that is being requested or proposed, and the new or changed conditions that would occur if the request or proposal were adopted.
- B. State the direct costs, savings or anticipated revenues associated with the requested or proposed action in the current budget year and how those were calculated.¹ If annualized or subsequent year fiscal impacts are substantially different from current year impacts, then those shall be stated as well. In addition, cite any one-time costs associated with the action, the source of any new or additional revenues (e.g. State, Federal, user fee or private donation), the use of contingent funds, and/or the use of budgeted appropriations due to surpluses or change in purpose required to fund the requested action.
- C. Discuss the budgetary impacts associated with the proposed action in the current year. A statement that sufficient funds are budgeted should be justified with information regarding the amount of budgeted appropriations in the relevant account and whether that amount is sufficient to offset the cost of the requested action. If relevant, discussion of budgetary impacts in subsequent years also shall be discussed. Subsequent year fiscal impacts shall be noted for the entire period in which the requested or proposed action would be implemented when it is reasonable to do so (i.e. a five-year lease agreement shall specify the costs/savings for each of the five years in question). Otherwise, impacts associated with the existing and subsequent budget years should be cited.
- D. Describe any assumptions or interpretations that were utilized to provide the information on this form.

No tax levy impact is anticipated. Local match requirements can be addressed in the proposed 2012 operating budget.

Department/Prepared By Lisa J. Marks, Director

Authorized Signature _____

Did DAS-Fiscal Staff Review? Yes x No

¹ If it is assumed that there is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action, then an explanatory statement that justifies that conclusion shall be provided. If precise impacts cannot be calculated, then an estimate or range should be provided.