

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

DATE: September 24, 2012

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Héctor Colón, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
(Prepared by B. Thomas Wanta, Administrator/ Chief Intake Officer – DCSD)

SUBJECT: **Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to increase the 2012 Purchase of Service contract with New Horizon Center, Inc. in the amount of \$56,731 from \$624,045 to \$680,776 for the Delinquency and Court Services Division**

Issue

Section 46.09 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances requires County Board approval for the purchase of human services from nongovernmental vendors. No contract or contract adjustment shall take effect until approved by resolution of the County Board. Per Section 46.09, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to increase the Delinquency and Court Services Division (DCSD) 2012 Purchase of Service (POS) contract with New Horizon Center, Inc.

Background

In December 2011, DHHS recommended, and the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approved, a 2012 POS with New Horizon Center, Inc., in the amount of \$624,045, to provide shelter care services for up to 20 girls per day. This contract is funded with a combination of revenue from the State Department of Corrections -Youth Aids and Basic Community Aids (BCA).

Discussion

New Horizon Center, Inc. is currently in the second year of a three-year cycle for DCSD shelter care contracts. The amount of their current 2012 POS contract, \$624,045, which was approved in December 2011, is equal to the amount of their 2011 POS contract. However, the 2011 POS contract was an 11-month contract since it covered only the period from February 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. DCSD is now returning to the Board to correct this technical error and extend the contract for the full 12 months of 2012.

DCSD's intention was always to establish a 2012 POS contract for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. To correct the technical error and account for services for all 12 months of 2012, DCSD is now requesting authorization to increase the 2012 contract amount by \$56,731, from \$624,045 to \$680,776. The 2012 YTD expenses related to shelter care services at New Horizon Center, Inc. support the requested increase in the contract amount.

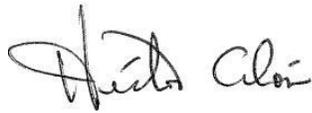
Recommendation

It is recommended that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorize the Director, DHHS, or his designee, to increase the purchase of service contract with New Horizon Center Inc. by \$56,731, from \$624,045 to \$680,776. The contract amendment would be effective for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Fiscal Effect

All funds are included in the 2012 DCSD purchase of service budget, therefore, there is no tax levy effect. A fiscal note form is attached.

Respectfully,



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