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Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to enter into a 2025 contract with the State of Wisconsin for Social Services and Community Programs, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 46.031, Wisconsin State Statutes, requires Milwaukee County (the County) to enter into a contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health Services for social services and community programs (Community Aids); and

WHEREAS, the State has provided notification of funding in 2025 for social services and community programs; and

WHEREAS, one of the largest revenue sources for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) are State and Federal funds that are forwarded to the DHHS under the State Social Services contract, which funds programs in Aging and Disability Services, Housing Services, and Behavioral Health Services; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Community Aids Contract (the Contract) provides DHHS an allocation of \$17,951,69; and

WHEREAS, the funding for 2025 is \$324,309 higher than the 2025 Adopted Budget amount of \$17,627,385; and

WHEREAS, this increase is primarily due to enhanced Federal funding for Title III of the Older Americans Act, which can fluctuate each year; and

WHEREAS, similar to previous years, this Contract requires a County match of \$3,565,149, which is included in the 2025 Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, it is in the County’s best interest to execute contracts in a timely manner to improve cash flow and maximize interest earnings; and

WHEREAS, the County will not receive any State Community Aids revenue until the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director, DHHS, to execute the Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, at its meeting of December 5, 2024, considered File No. 24-921 for informational purposes only, per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; and

45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 12, 2024,
46 recommended adoption of File No. 24-921 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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48 BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services
49 (DHHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract (and any
50 addendum thereto) with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health
51 Services, covering Social Services and Community Programs (Community Aids) for the
52 period effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, in the amount of
53 \$17,951,694; and
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55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, of the \$17,951,694 in Community Aids revenue,
56 \$5,381,228 is Basic County Allocation funding, and \$12,570,466 is for earmarked
57 revenues to support programs and services within DHHS, as identified on the
58 attachment included in this file; and
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60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
61 authorizes a Milwaukee County match of \$3,565,149, which is required under the 2025
62 State contract for Community Aids, and is included in the 2025 Adopted Budget for
63 DHHS.
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