

A report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to amend 2025 fee-for-service contracts with out-of-home care community-based vendors for Children, Youth and Family Services (CYFS), by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, per Section 59.52(31), Wisconsin State Statutes, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to execute fee-for-service contracts with providers delivering group home and residential treatment for 2025; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2025, Children, Youth, and Family Services (CYFS), DHHS, assumed primary management and oversight of all out-of-home care contracts, tasks, and responsibilities, which includes Residential Treatment Centers (RTCs) and Group Homes for justice-involved youth who were court ordered to be placed at the facility; and

WHEREAS, RTCs offer a higher level of care and are designed for youth with severe mental health or behavioral challenges who require intensive treatment and support; and

WHEREAS, Group Homes provide 24-hour care and supervision for children and youth in a family-like setting, and offer basic needs care, such as meals, housing, and supervision, but may also provide some counseling or therapy; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Department of Children and Families is responsible for the licensing, monitoring, and rate setting of all RTCs and Group Homes, while ensuring that licensing requirements are met through ongoing inspection of licensed agencies; and

WHEREAS, the total anticipated cost for both the Group Home and RTC contracts is \$11 million, which reflects an increase of about \$2 million over the 2025 Adopted Budget, due to increases in rates and higher utilization; and

WHEREAS, the current fiscal projection anticipates offsetting this increased cost with savings due to lower correctional placements at Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, at its meeting of May 8, 2025, considered File No. 25-321 for informational purposes only per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of May 15, 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-321 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute amendments to fee-for-service contracts totaling \$8,027,000 with the Group Home Providers and Residential Treatment Centers (RTC's) in the amounts listed below, for the period effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025:

<b>Group Home Provider</b>	<b>2025 Current Allocation</b>	<b>Amendment</b>	<b>2025 Total Contract</b>
AKNU Direction Keys to Life Living Center	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Bella's Group Home	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Boyz Life Group Home	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Butterflyz, LLC, doing business as Home Away From Home	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Frazier Support Services	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Home 4 The Heart	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Hopgood Youth Homes	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
House of Love Youth Homes	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Men of Men, Inc.	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Moe's Transitional Living Center	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
New Hope and Destiny Home II	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Next Chapter	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Positive Alternatives	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Pretti Girlz with a Purpose, LLC	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Promising Young Woman	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Reflections Group Home	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Revive Youth and Family Services	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Schmied, Inc., doing business as Smith Transitional Living Services	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Servant Manor, Inc.	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
Win-Win Enterprises, LLS, doing business as Boys II Men Transitional Living Home	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
La Causa, Inc.	\$99,000	\$151,000	\$250,000
<b>Total Group Home Contracts</b>	<b>\$2,179,000</b>	<b>\$3,322,000</b>	<b>\$5,500,000</b>

<b>RTC Provider</b>	<b>2025 Current Allocation</b>	<b>Amendment</b>	<b>2025 Total Contract</b>
Lad Lake	\$99,000	\$2,001,000	\$2,100,000
Norris, Inc.	\$99,000	\$501,000	\$600,000
St. Charles Youth and Family Services	\$99,000	\$401,000	\$500,000
Rawhide Youth Services	\$99,000	\$901,000	\$1,000,000
Lutheran Social Services, Homme Youth and Family Services Program	\$99,000	\$401,000	\$500,000
Wisconsin Community Services, Bakari Center	\$300,000	\$500,000	\$800,000
<b>Total RTC Contracts</b>	<b>\$795,000</b>	<b>\$4,705,000</b>	<b>\$5,500,000</b>
<b>Grand Total (RTC and Group Home)</b>	<b>\$2,973,000</b>	<b>\$8,027,000</b>	<b>\$11,000,000</b>

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