MILWAUKEE COUNTY Interoffice Memo

DATE:

November 11, 2020

TO:

Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson Chairman, Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Jim Sullivan, Director, Department of Child Support Services

RE:

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE NEW PATHWAYS FOR FAMILIES AND FATHERS GRANT WITH MILWAUKEE FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE

The Department of Child Support is respectfully requesting authorization to execute an amendment to our New Pathways for Families and Fathers (Pathways) contract with Milwaukee Fatherhood Initiative (MFI).

DISCUSSION

Milwaukee County Child Support Services (CSS) was awarded the New Pathways for Fathers and Families grant on September 30, 2015, to provide job training, educational and employment services to primarily low-income fathers over a 5-year period. CSS applied for and was awarded an additional grant year to the Pathways grant through the United States Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The amendment to this contract allows CSS and MFI to use the remaining grant money. CSS will oversee the remaining total project budget. MFI will deliver an integrated responsible fatherhood program to 175 fathers over the extension period, September 30, 2020 to September 29, 2021.

FISCAL EFFECT

A fiscal note is attached, reflecting no direct county fiscal impact, as the execution of this contract was anticipated and included in the 2021 budget, and the costs of the contract are fully funded by the grant.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends that the County Board authorize the execution of the of the amendment to the New Pathways for Families and Fathers contract.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Sullivan, Director

Department of Child Support Services

CC:

David Crowley, Milwaukee County Executive Jason Haas, Chair, Finance Committee

Mary Jo Meyers, Chief of Staff, Milwaukee County Executive's Office Joseph Lamers, Budget Director, Department of Administrative Services

Lindsey Peterson, Fiscal Management Analyst, Department of Administrative Services

Shanin Brown, Committee Clerk, County Clerk Steve Cady, Director of Research and Policy

Attachments