COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE Inter-Office Communication

Date: 11/13/2025

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chair, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community

Reintegration Center (CRC)

Subject: The Superintendent of the Community Reintegration Center (CRC)

requests authorization to execute a three-year Purchase of Service Contract extension with WestCare Wisconsin, Inc. (WC-WI) to provide Forward-Thinking sessions at the CRC. The contract will run from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028, contingent upon mutual agreement

and satisfactory performance.

File Type: Action Report

POLICY

Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances: MCGO 32.25

BACKGROUND

In 2025, WestCare Wisconsin, Inc. (WC-WI) operated the *Forward-Thinking* program at 2979 N. Palmer Street, Milwaukee. The hybrid program cost \$70,000 per year and received referrals from the Community Reintegration Center (CRC). WC-WI either transported participants weekly to sessions or conducted sessions inside the CRC. Families had access to resources such as food, clothing, employment support, therapy, and telehealth services. Participants who completed mental health or substance abuse assessments received a \$25 gift card.

The program served 10–15 residents per week across three 12-week sessions, meeting on Tuesdays with assessments on Thursdays. The curriculum included nine weeks of core programming and one week of lead certification training, concluding with a graduation ceremony and workforce development opportunities. WC-WI served 40 residents in 2025, with alumni returning as mentors in subsequent sessions.

Prior Amendment: The Parties previously amended the Agreement via Amendment #1 to revise the termination date and ensure timely completion of deliverables.

Need for Extension: The Parties wish to extend the term of the Agreement for additional years under the same scope of services and annual contract amount.

DETAILS OF THE NEW CONTRACT

Under the 2026 Professional Service Agreement (Amendment 2, extension), the Community Reintegration Center (CRC) seeks authorization to execute a three-year Purchase of Service Contract with WC-WI to continue the *Forward-Thinking* sessions.

The term of the Agreement is hereby extended for three (3) additional years as follows:

- First extended year: January 1, 2026 December 31, 2026
- Second extended year: January 1, 2027 December 31, 2027
- Third extended year: January 1, 2028 December 31, 2028

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent of the Community Reintegration Center (CRC) recommends authorizing a three-year contract with WestCare Wisconsin, Inc. to continue providing *Forward-Thinking* sessions from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028, subject to mutual agreement and satisfactory performance.

FISCAL EFFECT

A fiscal note form is attached.

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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