

**County of Milwaukee**  
**INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION**

DATE: October 4, 2012

TO: Sup. Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwomen, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
Sup. Peggy West, Chairperson, Committee on Health and Human Needs

FROM: Stephanie Sue Stein, Director, Department on Aging

RE: Request for authorization to increase by \$24,000, from \$87,300 to \$111,300, the 2012 contract with Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc., to provide Shopping and Errand Services, originally authorized under File No. 12-22

I respectfully request that the attached resolution be scheduled for consideration by the Committee on Health and Human Needs at its meeting on October 24, 2012.

The attached resolution authorizes the Director, Department on Aging, to increase by \$24,000, from \$87,300 to \$111,300, the 2012 contract with Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc., to provide Shopping and Errand Services authorized under File No. 12-22.

The Department awards funds to provider agencies based on the availability of federal, state, and local funds, allowable costs, usage by older persons of programs and services, and changes in service demand. For many contractual services, actual participation is a function of service availability, client needs, weather, and other factors that cannot be precisely known at the time contracts are awarded. When additional funds become available, the Department seeks to use those funds to fully reimburse vendors for the services they provide.

The Shopping and Errand Services program provides grocery shopping, pick up of prescription drugs, and related services to 150 homebound elders not eligible for Family Care. This service enables frail elders to continue living independently in their own homes. However, rising costs of fuel and labor may affect the Department's ability to provide this essential service. Adoption of the resolution will enable the Department to maintain service levels and to fully reimburse the vendor for services provided. The proposed amendment is funded through increased 100% time reporting reimbursement to the Aging Resource Center.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 2-6876.

  
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