

**County of Milwaukee**  
Interoffice Communication

DATE: October 4, 2019

TO: Sup. Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
Sup. James "Luigi" Schmitt, Chair, Committee on Finance and Audit

FROM: Holly Davis, Executive Director, Department on Aging

RE: Request for authorization for the Milwaukee County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) enabling the Department on Aging to serve as the Aging Resource Center of Milwaukee County under Family Care, for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, and to accept \$2,773,238 and such other revenues as DHS may award to operate the Resource Center in 2020

I respectfully request that the attached resolution be scheduled for consideration by the Committee on Finance and Audit at its meeting in December 2019.

The resolution authorizes the Milwaukee County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) enabling the Department on Aging to serve as the Aging Resource Center of Milwaukee County under Family Care, for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, and to accept \$2,773,238 and such other revenues as DHS may award to operate the Resource Center in 2020.

Family Care is Wisconsin's long-term care entitlement program for the elderly and persons with disabilities. The major purpose of Family Care is to divert persons requiring long-term care services from expensive publicly funded nursing homes to more appropriate community-based forms of care. One essential component of Family Care enables counties to serve as an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). These centers are responsible for providing the following services: information and assistance; benefits counseling; access to SSI, SSI-E, Medicaid, and food stamps; emergency response; elder abuse and adult protective services; transitional services; prevention and early intervention services; long-term care options counseling; and access to the Family Care benefit. The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Department on Aging to participate as the Aging Resource Center of Milwaukee County since 2000.

The Department is requesting authorization to continue serving as the Aging Resource Center in 2020 and to accept a \$2,773,238 award and such other revenue that may be awarded for that purpose. The anticipated award amount was included in the 2020 Adopted Budget.

If you have any questions about this report and resolution, please contact me at 289-6876.

  
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