

Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute contract amendments for the Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP and Shelter Care Program in Children Youth and Family Services (CYFS) and to transfer \$538,128 from the unallocated contingency to finance these items, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Children, Youth, and Family Services (CYFS) Division, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), operates a 127-bed detention center at the Vel R. Phillips Youth and Justice Center and, as reported to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in Adopted File No. 22-423 in March 2022, the detention center has been experiencing historically high census levels, and CYFS-DHHS has been developing strategies to alleviate this situation; and

WHEREAS, per Section 59.52(31), Wisconsin State Statutes (State Statutes), the Director, DHHS, is requesting authorization to amend Purchase of Service contracts with Running Rebels Community Organization (RRCO), and Wisconsin Community Services (WCS), for programming to address the increased census in the detention center; and

WHEREAS, CYFS-DHHS, currently contracts with RRCO to facilitate Dialectical Behavioral Therapy Skills groups with youth, as well as to support the transition, aftercare planning, and intervention for the young person and their family; and

WHEREAS, CYFS-DHHS, also contracts with WCS to operate the Shelter Care Program, which provides short-term (typically 30 days), non-secure, 24-hour supervised care and residential programming to youth, and the program primarily serves as an alternative to secure detention placement; and

WHEREAS, additional funding for these contracts would allow programming and services to continue uninterrupted, and help reduce and stabilize the detention center census; and

WHEREAS, per Chapter 301, State Statutes, counties are required to pay a daily rate to the State of Wisconsin (the State), for the care and supervision of the youth ordered to Lincoln Hills School for Boys and Copper Lake School for Girls, as well as the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center; and

WHEREAS, based on the State-imposed daily rates for youth ordered to corrections, and the most recent number of youth ordered to the State facilities, DHHS is anticipating a deficit of \$7.3 million in charges from the State Department of Corrections, and after factoring in additional revenue and other savings across the department, the net anticipated 2022 deficit is about \$4.3 million for DHHS; and

WHEREAS, given the critical nature of the programming on relieving the increased census in detention, DHHS worked with the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance, and the Department of Administrative Services, to discuss options for moving forward with the proposed amendments, and is requesting funding from unallocated contingency to support the additional programming costs, due to its fiscal situation; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of May 19, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-525 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to amend Purchase of Service contracts for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, in the amounts and with the providers listed below:

Provider	Service	2022 Contract	2022 Adjustment	2022 Adjusted Contract
Running Rebels Community Organization	Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP)	\$535,000	\$399,712	\$934,712
Wisconsin Community Services	Boys and Girls Shelter Care	\$1,837,648	\$138,416	\$1,976,064
	Subtotal	\$2,372,648	\$538,128	\$2,910,776

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance, the Department of Administrative Services, and the Office of the Comptroller, to transfer funds in the amount of \$538,128 from Org. Unit 1940-1945–Appropriation for Contingencies, to the Children, Youth, and Family Services Division, DHHS, to provide funding for the Purchase of Service contract amendments identified in this resolution.

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