## MILWAUKEE COUNTY Interoffice Memo

DATE:

November 17, 2011

TO:

Lee Holloway, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Jim Sullivan, Director, Department of Child Support Enforcement

RE:

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE EXTENSION OF CHILDREN FIRST CONTRACTS WITH UNITED MIGRANT OPPORTUNITIES SERVICES, INC.

(UMOS) AND CENTER FOR VETERANS ISSUES

The Department of Child Support is respectfully requesting authorization to execute the above listed contracts for employment assistance for unemployed or underemployed payers who are court ordered into the Children First Program.

## DISCUSSION

After a competitive bid process in 2009, the Department selected the above-mentioned agencies to provide 2010 Children First services for Milwaukee County court-ordered payers who are unemployed or underemployed. Each contractor provides case management services and activities designed to promote job readiness and financial responsibility.

The 2010 Children First contract included language to extend the contracts (copy attached), and the County Board Resolution 10-49, passed on February 4, 2010, authorized the Department to execute the contracts. County Board Resolution 10-466, passed on December 19, 2010, extended the contracts for one year (copy attached).

## **FISCAL EFFECT**

A fiscal note is attached, reflecting no direct county fiscal impact, as the execution of these extensions were anticipated and included in the 2012 budget, and the costs of the contracts are fully funded by the State.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends that the County Board authorize the execution of a second one year extension of the Children First contracts.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Sullivan, Director

Department of Child Support Enforcement

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