

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending the approval of an Act which would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the "Department"), to: 1) enter into two (2) successive one-year grant agreements with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept grant funds NYSOFA has made available to the County under the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program ("EISEP"), for the following terms: April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013, and April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014; and 2) enter into two (2) successive one-year inter-municipal agreements ("IMAs") with one or more municipal corporations as defined in Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law located within Westchester County ("the municipalities"), for services to be funded by grants received by the County from NYSOFA under the EISEP, for the following terms: April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013, and April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014.

Your Committee is advised that the services to be provided with the funds received under EISEP, include: case management, non-medical in-home homemaker and housekeeping services, non-institutional respite, adult day care respite, and ancillary services such as emergency response systems for functionally impaired elderly individuals. These services are targeted to those persons who are not eligible for such services under existing programs (e.g. Medicare and Medicaid). Notably, EISEP requires cost sharing based on the individual's ability to pay, in accordance with guidelines set by New York State. It is recognized that some these

services are best provided on the community level through inter-municipal agreements with the municipalities.

The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, the proposed agreements with NYSOFA and the proposed IMAs are "Type II" actions under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617. Type II actions are those actions determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, do not require further environmental review. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQRA status sheet and concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee has been advised that the passage of the attached Act requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board.

Your Committee has been advised that adoption of the proposed legislation is necessary to effectively carry out this worthwhile program. Accordingly, after due consideration, your Committee recommends adoption of the annexed legislation.

Dated: 4/16/12
White Plains, New York

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APPROPRIATION

COMMITTEE

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: EISEP

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department)

A) GENERAL FUND AIRPORT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Districts)

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost \$ 3111152

Total Current Year Revenue \$ 2,499,067

Source of Funds (check one): Current Appropriations
 Transfer of Existing Appropriations Additional Appropriations Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 24-101-4957

263-85-T048

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$ 612,085

Describe: County Match Funds

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 2,499,067

Describe: Funding received from the New York State Office for the Aging for Expanded In-Home Services to the Elderly.

Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

Current Year: The Department would not be able to provide Homemaker Services; Housekeeper Services; Case Management.; Ancillary Services; In-Home Respite Care Services; Adult Day Respite Care Service Coordination & Clearinghouse to seniors in Westchester.

Next Four years:

Estimated to be same as above each year.

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Title: Coordinator-Administrative Services

Department: Senior Programs & Svcs.


Reviewed By: _____

Budget Director

2/16/12

If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.

TO: Sharon Johnson, Program Administrator
Department of Senior Programs and Services

FROM: Edward Buroughs, AICP 
Commissioner

DATE: November 16, 2011

SUBJECT: **SEQR DOCUMENTATION FOR GRANTS AND INTERMUNICIPAL
AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY**

In response to your request, the Planning Department has reviewed the above referenced actions with respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6NYCRR Part 617 (SEQR).

The actions involve entering into agreements with the New York State Office for the Aging to accept grants under the Older Americans Act, Community Services for the Elderly Program, Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Senior Community Services Employment Program for the provision of various services to senior citizens. Authorization is also being sought to enter into agreements with local municipalities and agencies for implementation of these programs/services to local residents. These services, which include legal, medical, nutritional, domestic and employment assistance, are currently being provided under existing one-year agreements, which are due to expire shortly.

Since the new agreements merely allow for a continuation of these programs and services for an additional year, they may be classified as Type II actions, pursuant to section 617.5(c)(20), "routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment." As such, no further environmental review is required.

Please contact my office if you need any additional information regarding this classification.

EEB/cnm

cc: Mae Carpenter, Commissioner of Senior Programs and Services
Christopher Inzero, Assistant County Attorney
David Kvinge, Director of Environmental Planning

ACT NO. 34 - 2012

AN ACT authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the State of New York Office for the Aging, to accept grant funds under the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program and enter into inter-municipal agreements with local municipalities for services to be funded by said grants.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The County be and hereby is authorized to enter into two (2) successive one-year grant agreements with the New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept grant funds NYSOFA has made available to the County under the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program ("EISEP"), for the following terms: April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013, and April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014.

§2. The County be and hereby is authorized to enter into two (2) successive one-year inter-municipal agreements with one or more municipal corporations located within Westchester County for services to be funded by grants received by the County under EISEP, for the following terms: April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013, and April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014.

§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby empowered to execute all instruments and take all actions reasonable and necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
WESTCHESTER COUNTY)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 34 - 2012, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on April 16, 2012, and approved by the County Executive on April 23, 2012.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 30th day of April, 2012.

Tina Seckerson

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The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

