

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2011-0104

Sponsored by: **County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Health and Human Services/Child Support Enforcement Agency**

**A Resolution** authorizing the County Executive to enter into Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement contracts with various providers for child support services for the period 1/1/2011 - 12/31/2011: (1) the Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,082, 307.49, (2) the Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,218,669.89, and (3) the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,257,588.70, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services/Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) is requesting approval for three (3) Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement contracts for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 with: (1) the Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,082, 307.49, (2) the Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,218,669.89, and (3) the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,257,588.70; and,

WHEREAS, Title IV Cooperative Agreement contracts are mandated by O.R.C. 3125.14, and the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services (ODJFS) regulations in order to specify the services which will be rendered by each of aforementioned entities pertaining to the establishment, modification, and enforcement of Child Support Obligations, in accordance with applicable child support regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations and the Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court conduct hearings into Title IV-D Child Support matters and issue court orders and the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney is the CSEA's legal representative at these court hearings; and,

WHEREAS, the execution of these Cooperative Agreement contracts enables the County to recover the 66% federal financial participation reimbursement portion of the expenses incurred by the Domestic Relations Court, Juvenile Court and the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney while providing Title IV-D services to CSEA; and,

WHEREAS, for 2011 the amount of federal reimbursement is \$6,558,566.08 and this amount is reimbursed to the County's general fund to offset the expenditures of the two courts and the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney and without approval of the Cooperative Agreement contracts, reimbursement to the County general fund will not occur; and,

WHEREAS, each of the Agreements contains various federal and local mandated performance standards.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The County Executive is hereby authorized to execute three (3) Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement contracts for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, as follows: one with: (1) the Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,082, 307.49, (2) the Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,218,669.89, and (3) the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,257,588.70.

**SECTION 2.** This Resolution is hereby determined to be an emergency measure and that it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue, and to continue the usual and daily operation of County departments, offices and agencies. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

**SECTION 3.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Ms. Simon, seconded by Ms. Conwell, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Connally, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady and Germana

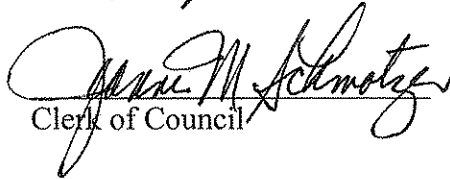
Nays: None

  
County Council President

3/28/11  
Date

  
County Executive

3/29/11  
Date

  
Clerk of Council

3/22/2011  
Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: March 8, 2011

Committee Assigned: Justice Affairs

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