

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2012-0048

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| <p>Sponsored by: <b>County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Employment and Family Services/Cuyahoga Support Enforcement Agency</b></p> | <p><b>A Resolution</b> authorizing agreements with various providers for child support services for the period 1/1/2012 - 12/31/2012; authorizing the County Executive to execute the agreements and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.</p> |
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**WHEREAS**, the County Executive FitzGerald on behalf of the Cuyahoga Support Enforcement Agency has submitted three (3) Title IV-D Cooperative Agreements with various providers for child support services in the total amount not-to-exceed \$6,423,221.81 for the period 1/1/2012 - 12/31/2012 as follows:

- (A) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations in the amount of \$2,043,465.47;
- (B) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Juvenile Court in the amount of \$2,182,292.90; and
- (C) Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in the amount of \$2,197,463.44; and

**WHEREAS**, the Title IV-D Cooperative Agreements are mandated by O.R.C 3125.14, and the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services (ODSFS) regulations in order to specify the services which will be rendered by each of these three (3) entities pertaining to the establishment, modification and enforcement of Child Support Obligations, in accordance with applicable Child Support Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, both the Domestic Relations Court and the Juvenile Court conduct hearings on Title IV-D Child Support matters and Issue Court Orders containing their findings via Journal Entries. The County Prosecutor's Office is the CSEA legal representative at the Court hearings; and

**WHEREAS**, the execution of these Cooperative Agreements enables the County to recover the 66% Federal Financial Participation (FFP) reimbursement portion of the expenses incurred by the Domestic Relations Court, Juvenile Court,

and the County Prosecutor's Office in providing these Title IV-D services to the CSEA, which for 2012 would equal \$6,423,221.81; and

**WHEREAS**, this dollar amount is reimburse to the County General Fund to offset the expenditures of these three (3) Agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, these agreement costs will be funded 100% by Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Funds; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective because the project's term began January 1, 2012. These agreements were submitted late due to the time that was required to obtain the 2012 budget information from, and negotiate with the providers, to submit the agreements to the State of Ohio for initial approval, and to have the documents executed.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with the following providers for child support services for the period 1/1/2012 - 12/31/2012 as follows:

(A) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations in the amount of \$2,043,465.47;

(B) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Juvenile Court in the amount of \$2,182,292.90; and

(C) Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in the amount of \$2,197,463.44; and

**SECTION 2.** That the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute the agreements and all other documents consistent with this Resolution.

**SECTION 3.** It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective because the project's term began January 1, 2012. These agreements were submitted late due to the time that was required to obtain the 2012 budget information from, and negotiate with the providers, to submit the agreements to the State of Ohio for initial approval, and to have the documents executed. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective up the signature of the County Executive.

**SECTION 4.** 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: Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Conwell, Jones and Connally

Nays: None

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County Council President

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Date

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County Executive

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Date

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Clerk of Council

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First Reading/Referred to Committee: March 13, 2012

Committee(s) Assigned: Justice Affairs

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