

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2016-0059

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| Sponsored by: County Executive Budish/Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services | A Resolution authorizing agreements with various providers, in the total amount not-to-exceed \$11,971,371.64, for child support services for the period 1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016; 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. |
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WHEREAS, the County Executive/Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services (“CJFS”) has submitted three (3) Title IV-D Cooperative Agreements with various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$11,971,371.64 for child support services for the period 1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016 as follows:

- a) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations in the amount not-to-exceed \$4,289,173.92;
- b) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas/Division of Juvenile Court in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,930,853.72; and
- c) Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,751,344.00.

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, the primary goal of these cooperative agreements are to enable the County to recover the 66%, or up to \$7,901,105.29, 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 CJFS Office of Child Support Services; and,

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

WHEREAS, these agreement costs will be funded 66% by Federal Financial Participation (“FFP”) Funds and 34% from HHS Levy funds; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of a County entity.

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

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council authorizes the Title IV-D Cooperative Agreements with various providers for child support services, in the total amount not-to-exceed \$11,971,371.64, for the period 1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016 as follows:

- a) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas/Division of Domestic Relations in the amount not-to-exceed \$4,289,173.92;
- b) Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas/Division of Juvenile Court in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,930,853.72; and
- c) Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,751,344.00.

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 for the usual daily operation of the County and the reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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 Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Brady, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Schron, Conwell, Jones, Brown, Hairston, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Germana, Gallagher and Brady

Nays: None

County Council President _____
Date

County Executive _____
Date

Clerk of Council _____
Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: March 8, 2016
Committee(s) Assigned: Health, Human Services & Aging

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