



AGENDA
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 8, 2020
Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/-Ur2QaujY-Y>

CALL TO ORDER: By Hon. Elane Daly, Chair

MEMBERS: Legislators Keith Batman, Michael Didio, Tricia Kerr, Timothy Lattimore, Heidi Nightengale, and Charlie Ripley (Vice Chair)

EXCUSED: Michael Didio

MINUTES TO APPROVE: September 10, 2020

APPOINTMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE:

Brenda Wiemann (Office for the Aging) –

- A request to close the Mercy Congregate due to low participation has been submitted to NYSOFA for approval
- For the first time in Cayuga County, the evidence-based caregiver program, Powerful Tools for Caregivers was completed in September. Staff converted to a virtual format for the sessions using Zoom, and conducted 6 weeks of training in stress reduction, confidence-building, problem-solving, goal setting, improved communication and decision-making for 5 caregivers. Participants were very positive about this program, and future sessions are being planned.

Kathleen Cuddy (Health) – No updates

Ray Bizzari (Mental Health/Social Services) –

- Gearing up for Code Blue were we have to shelter everyone when the temperature drops below 32 degrees at any time during a 24 hour period. Some planned changes may make this more manageable.
- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team, providing services to Cayuga County via Oswego Hospital, begins 1/1/21.
- Foster Care placements continue to rise. As always, the biggest drivers is neglect due to domestic violence/substance use. Concurrently, Article 81 guardianships have increased as folks lose traditional supports due to COVID worries.
- Eviction moratorium extended to 12/31/20. The Department's plan for funding to provide rapid rehousing and homeless prevention was just approved by OTDA. We're working with the court and other stakeholders to get out in front of this.
- The additional \$500k in HEALing Communities funding will transform services here in the county. One result of the NARCAN online/popup distribution effort was 11 documented bystander reversals. 11 are alive today.
- The restructuring of child welfare services, a 2 year process that evaluated, processed and planned for organizing the work in the most efficient manner to meet the regulatory requirements of Family First is fully underway now
- We received a no-cost extension on the SAHMSA System of Care grant that will help reduce local share in 2021. The blended funding strategy which mixes MH State Aid, Preventive funding and Medicaid reimbursement realized via aligning what we contract for with CFTSS services is the sustainability plan for those services.
- Should learn more about the status of 20% MH/OASAS withholds for CY 2021 in the next couple weeks

2021 Budget

MH

Room was created in the mental health budget to fund the jail transition coordinator (\$80k), jail psychiatry (\$41k) and the social worker out at the jail (\$95k) for a local share savings of (\$216k).

DSS

While this budget is still in development, we expect a reduction in contractual expenses related to preventive programming and will realize some local share savings by moving some probation costs to the department. The questions of moving the Youth Bureau funding to the Department to blend with the preventive service contracts and further reduce the local share cost of contracts is still under discussion. Foster Care and Emergency Housing expenses are up.

RESOLUTIONS:

OFA:

- 10-20-HH-1 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to enter into a contract under the provisions of the Senior Nutrition Program Titles IIIC-1, IIIC-2 and WIN for meal service for January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021.

HUMAN SERVICES:

- 10-20-HH-2 Amending the Social Services 2020 Budget to Accept 100% Federal Funding from the Flexible Fund for Family Services (FFFS)
- 10-20-HH-3 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to Enter into a Contract with Chapel House for the provision of Transitional Housing Alternative for Homeless Clients
- 10-20-HH-4 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to Enter Into a Contract with Chapel House for Provision of a Supportive Case Manager

MENTAL HEALTH:

- 10-20-HH-5 Authorizing contract extension for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Programs

HEALTH:

- 10-20-HH-6 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into contract with NYSDOH and accept 100% of these funds
- 10-20-HH-7 Authorizing the Public Health Director to carry out a budget modification in the WIC program budget

ADJOURNMENT: Monday, November 9, 2020 (tentative)

IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY AND NEED ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE'S OFFICE AT 253-1308 AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED MEETING TO ADVISE WHAT ACCOMMODATIONS WILL BE NECESSARY.

RESOLUTION NO. _____ 10/27/20 OFA Accept Meal Proposal

Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to enter into a contract under the provisions of the Senior Nutrition Program Titles IIC-1, IIC-2 and WIN for meal service for January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021.

BY: Elane Daly, Chair, Health & Human Services Committee, and
Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County is seeking to contract with a firm to provide meal service for a one-year contract, with the option of a mutually agreed extension for 01/01/2022-12/31/2022; and

WHEREAS, Cayuga County distributed an RFP for meal service for the Office for Aging Senior Nutrition Program; and

WHEREAS, three proposals were submitted and have been reviewed and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the proposal that best meets the requirements as listed in the RFP and provides the lowest per unit cost was submitted by Advanced Institutional Services; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Advanced Institutional Services for meals at a cost of \$5.57/meal under the provisions of the Senior Nutrition Program Titles IIC-1, IIC-2 and WIN for meal service for January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021, as well as optional extensions as outlined in the RFP and upon such forms as may be approved by the County Attorney as to form.

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10/27/20

HS FFFS Funding 2020

Amending the Social Services 2020 Budget to Accept 100% Federal Funding from the Flexible Fund for Family Services (FFFS)

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Social Services Department has received 100% Federal FFFS funding (Flexible Fund for Family Services) and of this funding \$290,000 will be used to support employment related services and supportive services for TANF eligible applicants and recipients in order to assist them to stay off of public assistance or enable them to reduce the amount of assistance they are receiving; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2020 Social Services Budget in order to accept this funding; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Treasurer be authorized and directed to amend the Social Services Department’s 2020 Budget in the following manner, and make the necessary journal and accounting entries to accept the new FFFS funds:

Increase Acct. #A60604 54000.....\$290,000
Increase Acct #A60600 44660..... \$190,000
Increase Acct. #A60100 44615.....\$100,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services be authorized to enter into any subcontracts that are necessary to implement this grant upon such forms as may be approved by the County attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make such journal entries as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of this Resolution.

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HS Chapel House Transitional Housing 2020

Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to Enter into a Contract with Chapel House for the provision of Transitional Housing Alternative for Homeless Clients

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is required to provide emergency housing for individuals that are determined to be homeless; and

WHEREAS, the Department has contracted with Chapel House to provide 16 emergency housing beds at Ray of Light and that 5 year contract has expired; and

WHEREAS: the Department wishes to enter into a new contract with Chapel House to provide 20 emergency housing beds and shelter staffing/services consistent with NYSOTDA emergency housing regulations; and

WHEREAS, the cost per night at the Ray of Light at 100% occupancy is \$52.68/night and \$65.85 night at 80% occupancy and hotel/motel rooms currently can cost \$80/night, placements at Ray of Light will be lower than the cost per night at hotels/motels and the increase capacity may drive down hotel/motel stays; and

WHEREAS, the term of the contract with Chapel House will be for three years beginning when the transitional housing units are prepared to be occupied by clients; and

WHEREAS, Chapel House is willing to provide emergency housing and related services to homeless clients at an annual cost of \$384,615; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Chapel House from November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2023 for the provision of emergency housing services for homeless clients at cost per night at the Ray of Light at 100% occupancy of \$52.68/night and at 80% occupancy for \$65.85 per night, with a total annual cost not to exceed of \$384,615 and upon such form as may be approved by the County Attorney.

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HS Chapel House Supportive Case Manager

Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to Enter Into a Contract with Chapel House for Provision of a Supportive Case Manager

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County Department of Social Services is responsible for providing emergency shelter to homeless men and woman and also required to provide case management services that move these homeless individuals as quickly as possible into permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, Case Management services have not previously been provided to those individual housed in motels/hotels and the Department wishes to provide these services to be in compliance with current emergency shelter regulations and also to shorten hotel/motel stays and thereby reduce expenditures for emergency housing which can be \$80/night, and

WHEREAS, The Department wishes to terminate two current contracts (Chapel House Case Management, Catholic Charities Homeless Services Coordinator) for homeless services and fold them into this resolution, and

WHEREAS, Supportive Case Managers would provide case management services to all homeless single men and woman wherever they are housed with such services as screening, intake, service planning, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referrals, reports, record keeping and consultation; and will aggressively assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing by assisting with housing searches, advocating for and negotiating landlords expeditiously move individuals into permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to purchase Supportive Case Manager Services from Chapel House to assess, identify and make recommendations for homeless individuals in the areas of mental health, substance abuse and other disabilities, which may assist them with obtaining alternate income or make then eligible for other housing subsidy programs; and

WHEREAS, these funds are budgeted for in the 2020 budget; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Chapel House for the provision of case management services as described above for the period November 1, 2020, to October 30, 2022, at an annual not exceed cost of \$154,752 and upon such form as may be approved by the County Attorney as to form.

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MH SAMHSA Extension

Authorizing contract extension for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Programs

By: Elane Daly, Chair, Health and Human Services Committee, and Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways and Means Committee.

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Community Mental Health Center (CCCMHC) was awarded a 4-year SAMHSA grant in 2016 to contract with various agencies to provide services for children and families; and

WHEREAS, SAMHSA has granted a no-cost extension to the CCCMHC in order to use unspent dollars from the original award; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 296-17 authorized the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into contracts with various agencies to provide these services for children and families through September 30, 2020; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the contracts entered into from Resolution 296-17 be extended as follows:

The Research Foundation for the State University of New York – extend from 10/01/2020 to 12/31/2020 in the amount of \$42,950.87;

Cayuga Centers Multi-Systemic Therapy (\$50,589.51), Functional Family Therapy (\$39,800.32), and Safe Care (\$42,942.51) – extend from 10/1/2020 to March 30, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Community Services be authorized to sign the necessary contract extensions with the above-mentioned agencies upon such forms as may be approved by the County Attorney as to form.

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ 10/27/2020

HD CYSHCN 2020-2025 rev1

Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into contract with NYSDOH and accept 100% of these funds.

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of Health & Human Services Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chairman of Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the State Health Department has awarded funding to the Cayuga County Health Department for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2025 in the amount \$120,365 divided up over each year in the five year grant cycle, year one award to be \$24,073 to continue our work in supporting, through information and referral, families who have children with special health care needs; and

WHEREAS, it is the Department’s desire to participate in this initiative; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director be authorized to enter into the contract with NYSDOH for the Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs grant, and accept funding in the amount of \$120,365 over the next five years for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2025, upon such forms as may be approved by the County Attorney’s Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon notification from the Department, the County Treasurer be authorized and directed to make the necessary journal and accounting entries in each of the grant year’s Health Department Budgets as follows, to accept any additional funds relative to this program and enter into any subcontracts necessary to complete the goals of the grant:

Increase Appropriation Account A40264 54000.....\$24,073
Increase Revenue Account A40260 43426..... \$24,073

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10/27/2020

HD WIC Budget Modification #2 rev1

Authorizing the Public Health Director to carry out a budget modification in the WIC program budget.

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the WIC program had unexpected vacancies and staff changes throughout the course of the budget year; and

WHEREAS, these vacancies and staff changes created a surplus in the WIC budget salary line; and

WHEREAS, the NYSDOH WIC grant oversight office is giving us permission to utilize these grant funds to offset costs associated with program deliverables and unanticipated costs associated with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, a resolution is required by Cayuga County to move money from a salary line to any other expense line;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, the County Treasurer be authorized and directed to make the necessary journal and accounting entries to adjust the WIC program grant budget funds in the following ways:

Reduce: A40821-51001 \$3,075.00	Increase: A40824 54065 \$1,925.00
A40821-58001 \$236.00	A40824 54049 \$1,000.00
A40821-58005 \$89.00	A40824 54052 \$475.00

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