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TO: Barbara Levin Bergman, Chair
Ways & Means Committee

THROUGH: Robert E. Guenzel
County Administrator

FROM: Trenda Rusher
ETCS Director

DATE: October 17, 2007

SUBJECT: Annual State Foster Grandparent Program

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners ratify the signature of the County Administrator on the Annual Funding Agreement for the Foster Grandparent Program to the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) in the amount of \$20,619 for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008.

BACKGROUND:

ETCS has administered a Foster Grandparent Program in Washtenaw County for forty years. ETCS is requesting revenue from the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging in the amount of \$11,292 for the State contribution to the Foster Grandparent Program for fiscal year 2008. Last year, the Foster Grandparent Program funds were used to provide and support volunteer opportunities for sixty-five (65) older adults to work one-on-one with children with special needs.

DISCUSSION:

Volunteers under the Foster Grandparent Program serve twenty (20) hours per week in community based, not-for-profit settings. Currently the program has agreements with twenty-six (26) organizations, which include area schools, the juvenile detention center, day care programs, and the University of Michigan Hospital. Volunteers are placed at these sites, which provide orientation sessions and the daily supervision of the volunteer. The in-kind contributions under this program include physical exams and the provision of one meal per day for volunteers.

The Foster Grandparent Program provides opportunities for persons at age sixty (60) and over, who have limited income, to volunteer working with children with special needs. Each Foster Grandparent is paid a non-taxable stipend of \$2.65 per hour. Additionally, the volunteer receives, at no cost to the volunteer, transportation assistance to and from the volunteer site, one meal per day, uniforms, opportunity for community involvement, recognition, monthly training and an annual physical exam.

This year, ETCS plans to serve sixty-five (65) older adults through the Foster Grandparents Program.

IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES:

The requested Board action has no impact on Washtenaw County positions, personnel policies or procedures.

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

The requested Board action approves the FY 2008 Foster Grandparent Program State budget in the amount of \$20,619 as follows:

\$11,292	State allocation
\$ 1,243	In-kind contributions
\$ 6,147	County match (remains the same as last year)
\$ 1,937	CSBG subsidy

IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS:

The requested board action has no indirect costs associated with this budget.

IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:

The requested Board action has no impact on other County Departments or outside agencies.

CONFORMITY TO COUNTY POLICIES:

This matter has been reviewed by the Washtenaw County Community Action Board, the County Administrator's Office, Corporation Counsel, the Finance Department, Human Resources, and the Ways and Means Committee. The requested Board action is in conformity with County policies.

ATTACHMENTS / APPENDICES:

State of Michigan Annual Funding Agreement for FY 2008
County Budget -State Foster Grandparent Program FY 2008

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR' S SIGNATURE ON THE ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM FOR ETCS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,619 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 WHICH SUPPORTS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM MULTI-YEAR PLAN, WHICH WAS APPROVED THROUGH RESOLUTIONN NUMBER 06-0153 ON AUGUST 7, 2006, SUBMITTED TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, OFFICE OF SERVICES TO THE AGING (OSA) FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2006 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2009; AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD, AMENDING THE BUDGET; AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN DELEGATE CONTRACTS

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 7, 2007

WHEREAS, ETCS has applied to the State of Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) for support for the Foster Grandparents Program (FGP) for the Multi-Year period of October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2009 and is requesting \$11,292 in state revenue for the period October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the total FY 2008 Foster Grandparent State budget is \$20,619, which includes \$11,292 in State allocation, \$1,243 in in-kind contributions, \$6,147 in County match, and \$1,937 in Community Services Block Grant support; and

WHEREAS, ETCS has administered the FGP in Washtenaw County for forty years, providing volunteer placement and stipends for older adults to work with children with special needs; and

WHEREAS, ETCS plans to serve a total of sixty-five Foster Grandparent volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Foster Grandparents serve twenty hours per week in not-for-profit community settings; and

WHEREAS, each Foster Grandparent is paid a non-taxable stipend of \$2.65 per hour in addition to transportation assistance to and from the volunteer site, one meal per day, uniforms, community involvement and recognition, monthly training, and an annual physical exam; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by the Washtenaw County Community Action Board, Corporation Counsel, the Finance Department, the Human Resources Department, the County Administrator' s Office, and the Ways and Means Committee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the County Administrator's signature on the ETCS on the Annual Funding Agreement with the State of Michigan Office of Services to the Aging for the Foster Grandparent Program in the amount of \$20,619 for the period of October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008, as on file with the County Clerk;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes the following actions contingent upon receipt of the grant award in conformity with the application:

1. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award
2. Amending the budget, as attached hereto and made a part hereof

3. Authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts upon review by Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County Clerk

Washtenaw County ETCS
Fund #2650 - Foster Grandparent - State
10/1/2007 - 9/30/2008

		Original	Revised	Variance
Revenues				
			\$11,292	
54000	State Revenue	\$0		\$11,292
69000	In-Kind Contributions	\$0	\$1,243	\$1,243
69500	Transfers In	\$0	\$6,147	\$6,147
			\$18,682	
	Total	\$0		\$18,682
Expenditures				
70050	Personal Services	\$0	\$2,767	\$2,767
			\$16,609	
80000	Other Services and Charges	\$0		\$16,609
93500	In-Kind Charges	\$0	\$1,243	\$1,243
99000	Transfers Out	\$0	(\$1,937)	(\$1,937)
			\$18,682	
	Total	\$0		\$18,682