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TO: Conan Smith, Chair
Ways & Means Committee

THROUGH: Robert E. Guenzel
County Administrator

FROM: Trena Rusher
ETCS Director

DATE: July 8, 2009

SUBJECT: Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) State of Michigan and FGP
Multi-Year Plan

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners ratify the County Administrator's Signature on the State of Michigan, FGP Multi-Year Plan; and the Annual Funding Agreement in the amount of \$9,594 to the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) for continuation funding for the Foster Grandparent Program. The FGP Multi-Year Plan covers the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2012; the Annual Funding Agreement is for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

BACKGROUND:

ETCS has administered a Foster Grandparent Program in Washtenaw County for Forty-one years. ETCS is requesting revenue from the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging in the amount of \$9,594 for the State contribution to the Foster Grandparent Program for fiscal year 2010. Last year, the combination of state and federal Foster Grandparent Program funds were used to provide and support volunteer opportunities for sixty-four (64) older adults to work one-on-one with children with special needs. The plan is to continue support sixty-four (64) volunteers. The FY 2009 state funding was \$11,292. There is a decrease this year due to the state budget problems.

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-three (23) organizations, which include schools, the juvenile detention center,

day care programs, the University of Michigan Hospital and the High Point Program. 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-four (64) 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 2010 Foster Grandparent Program State budget in the amount of \$10,664 as follows:

\$ 9,594	State Revenue
\$ 1,070	In-kind Contributions

There is no County match or In-Kind Contributions required for this grant. The In-Kind contributions listed above are provided by the volunteer sites.

IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS:

None

IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:

None

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 Application-FGP Multi-Year Plan for FY 2010-FY 2012
State of Michigan Annual Funding Agreement for FY 2010

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM MULTI-YEAR PLAN TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OFFICE OF SERVICES TO THE AGING (OSA) FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2009 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012 AND THE ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM FOR ETCS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,664 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2009 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2010; 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

July 8, 2009

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, 2009 through September 30, 2012 and is requesting \$9,594 in state revenue for the period October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the total FY 2009 Foster Grandparent State budget is \$10,664, which includes \$9,594 in State allocation, \$1,070 in in-kind contributions; and

WHEREAS, ETCS has administered the FGP in Washtenaw County for forty-one 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-four 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 FGP Multi-Year submitted to the Office of Services to the Aging, for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2012; and the Annual Funding agreement for

the Foster Grandparent Program in the amount of \$10,664 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, 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
 Foster Grandparent - State
 Fund # 2700
 5/29/09 – 9/30/10

		Original	Revised	Variance
Revenues				
54000	State Revenue	\$ 0	\$ 9,594	\$ 9,594
69000	In-Kind Contributions	\$ 0	\$ 1,070	\$ 1,070
69500	Transfer In	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Total	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 10,664</u>	<u>\$ 10,664</u>
Expenditures				
70050	Personal Services	\$ 0	\$ 2,767	\$ 2,767
80000	Other Services & Charges	\$ 0	\$ 6,827	\$ 6,827
93500	In-Kind Charges	\$ 0	\$ 1,070	\$ 1,070
	Total	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 10,664</u>	<u>\$ 10,664</u>