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DATE: October 7, 2009

SUBJECT: 2009/2010 State Child Care Fund Budget

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Washtenaw County Trial Court Juvenile Division and the Department of Human Services request the Board of Commissioners ratifies the Chair of the Board and the County Administrator's signature on the 2009/2010 State Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091 to the State of Michigan Department of Human Services, Bureau of Juvenile Justice for the Child Care Fund in the amount of \$9,011,527 for fiscal year 2009/2010.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Child Care Fund (CCF) is a joint effort between state and county governments, to fund programs to serve neglected, abused and delinquent youth in Michigan. Each year, counties submit an annual CCF Plan with sub-accounts for the Family Division of the Circuit Court and local Department of Human Services (DHS) to the State. The plans are reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Juvenile Justice – Child Care Fund Division of the DHS. Expenditures are made locally and then submitted monthly for reimbursement.

All eligible expenditures are reimbursed at fifty percent. The one exception is Pre-Adoptive Care, which is 100% reimbursable. To be eligible for reimbursement, programs must serve youth who are either: 1) subjects of neglect or abuse cases, or delinquent youth under the jurisdiction of the Court; and 2) who either are at risk of being placed in out-of-home placement, or who have a treatment goal of early return from placement. The CCF also shares in the funding of out-of-home placements when the safety of the youth, family, or the community is at risk. Families must be under the jurisdiction of the Family Division of the Circuit Court or the DHS to access services

under the CCF. To be eligible to receive Child Care Funding, the County must submit an annual plan and budget signed by the Chair of the County Board of Commissioners, the Chief Judge, and the director of the Department of Human Services.

During Phase I of the Washtenaw County 2010-11 budget development, the Juvenile Day Program was eliminated to help reduce general fund support and is scheduled to end on January 29, 2010. During Phase II of the budget development process, Trial Court has reviewed each individual component and has decided to end the COPE, Prevention and Education Advocate segments.

**DISCUSSION:**

The CCF originated in 1955 with a series of "Foster Care Bills". They were designed to improve care for children under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court by allowing the State to participate in covering costs. At first, CCF assistance was limited to youth in out-of-home placements such as foster homes or county operated facilities. In recent years, the CCF has added the ability to fund In-Home Care programs. These programs have the treatment goal of serving youth who are "at risk of out-of-home" placement" or affecting an early return for youth in placements.

In-Home Care (IHC) program expenditures are restricted to new or continuing programs that are alternatives to out-of-home institutional or foster care. The IHC option is intended to: a) provide for early intervention to treat within the child's home problems of delinquency and neglect; and b) to effect a child's early return to his or her home from family foster care or institutional care. The total budget for IHC funds for 2009-10 equals \$2,725,842.

**IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES:**

None

**IMPACT ON BUDGET:**

The 2009/2010 State Child Care Budget reports anticipated expenditures of \$9,005,831. These anticipated expenditures only represent those expenditures that are eligible for 50% state reimbursement and are not a complete representation of the County Child Care Fund anticipated expenditures. The distribution of money appropriated by the legislature to each county equals 50% of the qualifying expenditures for foster care during the period of appeal after parental release. For fiscal year 2009/2010, the anticipated State reimbursement is \$4,508,611.

**IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS:**

Indirect costs are included in the proposed budget in the amount of \$970,977. These are eligible for 50% reimbursement. In addition, these program areas incur indirect costs in the amount of \$402,959 that are not eligible for CCF reimbursement and are therefore not included in the total anticipated expenditures being reported to the State.

**IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:**

The CCF budget impacts staffing for Children's Services and programming and services for DHS. Several outside agencies are impacted as well, as contractual service providers.

**CONFORMITY TO COUNTY POLICIES:**

Conforms to County Policies

**ATTACHMENTS/APPENDICES:**

FY 2010 Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Program Application

DHS Form 2091

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIGNATURE OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE 2009/2010 STATE CHILD CARE FUND BUDGET SUMMARY FORM 2091 TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BUREAU OF JUVENILE JUSTICE FOR THE CHILD CARE FUND FOR THE TRIAL COURT, CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND THE WASHTENAW COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,011,527 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2009 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 21, 2009

WHEREAS, The Washtenaw County Trial Court/Family Division – Juvenile Center and the Washtenaw County Department of Human Services have prepared the 2009/2010 State Child care Fund Budget; and

WHEREAS, programming has been classified as, but is not limited to, Family Foster Care, Institutional Care, In-Home Care, and Foster Care during the period of appeal after parental release; and

WHEREAS, the In-Home Care components are: Intensive Probation/Tethers, Juvenile Day Break Program, Prevention, Night Surveillance/In-Home Intervention, Community Based Sex Offender Treatment, Juvenile Drug Court, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program, Educational Advocacy (Student Advocate), Wraparound Flexible Funds, Center for Occupational and Personalized Education (COPE), Foster Parent and Advocacy Volunteer Recruitment, Non-Scheduled Payments, Youth Mentor Support Fund, Removal Prevention/Early Return, Youth In Transition Coordination, Educational Advocacy, Case Review Benefits Service, and Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative (MYOI) Changing Today the Youth of Tomorrow (CTYT) Transportation; and

WHEREAS, as appropriated net expenditures are \$9,005,831: fifty percent (50%) to be reimbursed by the State; and

WHEREAS, as appropriated, foster care during the period of appeal after parental release expenditures are \$5,696; one hundred percent (100%) to be reimbursed by the State; and

WHEREAS, total expenditures will result in projected revenue of \$4,508,611; and

WHEREAS, to receive state funding, all expenditures for programs are required to be included in the State Child Care Fund Budget; and

WHEREAS, anticipated expenditures and reimbursements are aligned with the County's 2010 adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, to receive fifty percent (50%) match for expenditures, the State Child Care Fund Budget requires the authorizing signatures of the Chief Judge of the Family Division, the Director of the Department of Human Services, and the Chair of the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by Corporation Counsel, the Finance Department, Human Resources, the County Administrator's office, and the Ways and Means Committee

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the electronic submission of the 2009/2010 State Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091 to the State of Michigan, Department of Human Services, Bureau of Juvenile Justice for total estimated expenditures of \$9,011,527 for the period of October 1, 2009 to 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 grant application:

1. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of the Grant Award
2. Amending the budget, as attached hereto and made a part hereof
3. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts in conformity with the application/award upon the review of Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County Clerk