



County of Albany

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Legislation Text

File #: TMP-4590, **Version:** 1

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

Contract Authorization for Social Services (Pine Ridge)

Date: 9/11/2023
Submitted By: Joseph DeAngelis
Department: Social Services
Title: Contract Administrator
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Department Rep.
Attending Meeting: Michele G. McClave

Purpose of Request:

- Adopting of Local Law
- Amendment of Prior Legislation
- Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure
- Bond Approval
- Budget Amendment
- Contract Authorization
- Countywide Services
- Environmental Impact/SEQR
- Home Rule Request
- Property Conveyance
- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):

- Contractual
- Equipment
- Fringe
- Personnel
- Personnel Non-Individual

Revenue

Increase Account/Line No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Source of Funds: Click or tap here to enter text.

Title Change: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS

Type of Contract:

Change Order/Contract Amendment

Purchase (Equipment/Supplies)

Lease (Equipment/Supplies)

Requirements

Professional Services

Education/Training

Grant

Choose an item.

Submission Date Deadline Click or tap to enter a date.

Settlement of a Claim

Release of Liability

Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

Contract Terms/Conditions:

Party (Name/address):

Pine Ridge Industries

214 State St., Schenectady, New York 12305

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$105,000

Scope of Services: Pine Ridge Industries will provide employment success coaching and resource services to confidentially assist Temporary Assistant recipients who are employed in low-wage entry-level positions and are experiencing barriers to work.

Bond Res. No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS

Mandated Program/Service: Yes No

If Mandated Cite Authority: Click or tap here to enter text.

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes No

Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes No

County Budget Accounts:

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Revenue Account and Line: AA6010 04615
Revenue Amount: \$94,000

Appropriation Account and Line: AA6010 44052
Appropriation Amount: \$105,000

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: 89.5%
State:
County: 10.5%

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 1/1/2024-12/31/2024
Length of Contract: 12 months

Impact on Pending Litigation

Yes No

If yes, explain: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: 354
Date of Adoption: 10/11/2022

Justification: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Approval is requested to renew an agreement with Pine Ridge Industries to provide employment success coaching and related services for recipients of Temporary Assistance (TA) to maintain employment in the workforce.

Schenectady County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (Schenectady ARC) and its Pine Ridge Industries division is the exclusive operator of the Capital Region Employer Resource Network® (ERN®), one of 26 such programs throughout the United States which help local businesses retain an engaged and skilled workforce while reducing turnover costs, creating a better workplace culture and improving performance by deploying Success Coaches to member businesses.

Pine Ridge Industries will provide case management services to TA employed recipients by helping them engage and offering direct connections to community resources and to facilitate coordination with Albany County Department of Social Services Employment Services contracted vendors including but not limited to community organizations and employer assistance.

Pine Ridge Industries will improve entry-level workforce retention for TA recipients through supports and services that will help the individual maintain and thrive in their employment. Employees may face crisis resulting from a lack of resources, lack of skills or a combination of both. The employment success coach(es) will confidentially help guide these individuals in obtaining immediate, personal relief. Training and/or advanced education for work-based skills or life skills will be focused goals along with barrier reduction. The employment success coach(es) will accommodate alternative shifts whenever possible with off-site or employer approved on-site locations and/or via web conference as necessary.

Pine Ridge job coaches have communicated with 92 individuals and have provided coaching in relation to retention and securing safe and affordable housing, transportation, childcare, legal assistance, ESL classes and support, etc. They have also provided coaching around job fatigue and career counseling. The resources and linkages the job coach has provided these individuals has helped reduce barriers so they can retain or secure new employment.

Pine Ridge Industries was selected through a competitive bid for services under RFP #2022-077. This request is for year two of a five-year contract.

