



County of Albany

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Legislation Text

File #: TMP-2197, **Version:** 1

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Contract Authorization for Social Services (Home Establishment)

Date: 1/4/2021
Submitted By: Joseph DeAngelis
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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):

Homeless and Traveler's Aid

138 Central Ave.

Albany NY 12206

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Furniture Liquidators

7 Colvin Ave.

Albany, NY 12206

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: 0

Scope of Services: Home Establishment of necessary and essential furniture, including household furnishings, equipment and supplies required for the establishment of a home.

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: 18 NYCRR 352.7

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes ☐ No ☒County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: -

Revenue Amount: -

Appropriation Account and Line: -

Appropriation Amount: -

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: -

State: -

County: -

Local: -

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 1/1/2021 -12/31/2021

Length of Contract: 12 months

Impact on Pending LitigationYes ☐ No ☒If yes, explain: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: 341

Date of Adoption: 10/13/2020

Justification: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Via Resolution No. 341, Adopted 10/13/2020 authorization was granted to renew agreements with two providers of home establishment furnishing (Bass Furniture and City Discount Furniture) in the amount of \$200,000. As the Albany County Department of Social Services is always looking for additional vendors we are requesting to add Furniture Liquidators and Homeless and Traveler's Aid (HATAS) to the eligible list for DSS clients. Furniture Liquidators would supply strictly new home establishment items while HATAS would provide new mattresses and used furniture at or below NYS established rates. Note HATAS has stringent cleaning protocols in place. The potential of having four providers to choose from will benefit DSS clients to better ensure adequate furnishings are available. No additional funding is attached to this requested.

Local Social Services districts are required to provide for the purchase of necessary and essential furniture, furnishings, equipment and supplies required for the establishment of a home for persons in need of public assistance when provision of such cannot otherwise be made. The rule applies when an eligible household or member of such is relocating to permanent housing from an institution, residential program, or other temporary living situation or when an individual or family must be re-housed in unfurnished housing due to health and safety concerns involving their current accommodations.

No RFP is required as Albany County Department of Social Services contracts with all willing and able providers.

Essential Household Item rates were established pursuant to part 352.7 of the Social Services Law and the regulations of the New York State Office Temporary Disabilities as outlined below:

Essential Household Items

Item	Maximum Amount Allowable
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Living Room	\$182.00
Single Bed or Crib	\$145.00
Two Single Beds	\$205.00
Double Beds	\$184.00
Kitchen	\$142.00 (Plus \$12.00 for each additional person)
Range	\$182.00
Refrigerator	\$182.00 (or \$258.00 for four or more persons)
Bathroom	\$ 6.00 (\$4.00 for each additional person)
Dresser	\$22.00
Stove for Heating	\$72.00 (or \$82.00 for five or more persons)

Authorized rates cannot exceed but may be less than those in the above schedule.

During the period from 7/1/2019 - 6/30/20 142 clients were served under this contract.