



County of Albany

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Legislation Text

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REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Contract Authorization with Parsons Child and Family Center for the Provision of the Healthy Families Program

Date: 04/23/2026
Department: Children, Youth and Families
Attending Meeting: Moira Manning
Submitted By: Aidan Jones
Title: Contract Administrator
Phone: (518) 447-7531

Purpose of Request: Contract Authorization Enter text.

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:
Parsons Child and Family Center 60 Academy Road Albany, NY 12208

Term: (Start/end date or duration) 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2030
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$2,937,692

BUDGET INFORMATION:

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes No
 Anticipated in Budget: Yes No
 Spreadsheet attached: Yes No

Source of Funding - (Percentages)
Federal: 0 County: 0
State: 100 Local: 0

County Budget Accounts:
Revenue Account and Line: A36119-03406
Revenue Amount: \$2,937,692
Appropriation Account and Line: A96119-44400
Appropriation Amount: \$2,937,692

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mandated Program/Service: Yes No
If Mandated, Cite Authority: Enter text.

Request for Bids / Proposals:

Competitive Bidding Exempt: Yes No

of Response(s): Enter text.

of MWBE: Enter text.

of Veteran Business: Enter text.

Bond Resolution No.: Enter text.

Apprenticeship Program Yes No

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number and Date: 25-292; 08/11/2025

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Department requests legislative authorization to renew a contractual agreement with Parsons Child and Family Center for the Healthy Families Home Visiting component for the term of July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2030, in the amount of \$2,937,692. The annual contract amount is \$734,423. Included in the partnership, is a \$73,442 match each year provided by Parsons for this program.

The Healthy Families Program provides intensive home visits to pregnant women and new parents who live in target areas and who meet the criteria for needed improvement of parenting skills and increased family support. The target areas include the City of Albany, Cohoes, Watervliet and Green Island. Home visits address the needs of all family members and stress building upon family strengths. Services focus on teaching parents about child development, fostering positive parenting skills and promoting healthy parent/child interactions. Screening of families for the program takes place in the hospital, newborn nurseries and with prenatal providers in the community.

Over the years since its inception, the Healthy Families Program of Albany County has recognized an increasing need for families enrolled in the program to receive mental health, substance abuse and domestic violence services. The Social Work component specifically targets these unmet needs. The core elements of the Social Work services include:

1. Counseling and Case Management
2. Family Assessments
3. Referrals to service providers when additional intensive services are needed
4. Family Conferencing

Many parents in the Healthy Families Program hesitate to walk into an office to speak with a stranger about domestic violence, substance abuse, or mental health issues. A counselor skilled in the engagement process can address these concerns with clients in their own home. Counselors conduct assessments, provide counseling and assist them in accessing more intensive services if needed.