



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):

Authorization to Renew Contract Between Social Services and IPH (prev. Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless) to Operate Mercy House Homeless Shelter

Date: 10/29/2025
Department: Social Services
Attending Meeting: Erin Stachewicz, Commissioner
Submitted By: Maggie W Skarlis
Title: Contract Administrator
Phone: 518-447-7583

Purpose of Request: Contract Authorization 01/01/2026-12/31/2026

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:

IPH
176 Sheridan Ave
Albany, NY 12210

Term: (Start/end date or duration) 12 months
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$919,436.60

BUDGET INFORMATION:

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

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: 3.57% County: 60.21%
State: 36.22% Local: Enter text.

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: AA6109 4609 / AA6140 03640 / AA6142 03642
Revenue Amount: \$32,837 / \$152,364 / \$180,604
Appropriation Account and Line: AA6109 44046 / AA6140 44046 / AA6142 44046
Appropriation Amount: \$32,837 / \$525,392 / \$361,207

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mandated Program/Service: Yes ☐ No ☐
If Mandated, Cite Authority: 18 NYCRR 352.8
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: 512 - 09/09/2024

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

Local Social Service districts are required to provide emergency/transitional shelter to homeless individuals and families. Therefore, permission is requested to contract with IPH (prev. Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless) to operate Mercy House located at 12 St. Joseph's Terrace in Albany. The facility will serve six (6) adult females and fourteen (14) adult males.

The Provider will assist residents in applying for Temporary Assistance (TA - e.g., SSI/SSD); developing an Independent Living Plan which, at a minimum, includes an assessment of needs related to housing permanency, assistance with applying for TA and other benefits to reduce barriers to homelessness and address other factors underlying homelessness (e.g., mental illness, substance use disorders); and utilizing linkages/referrals to secure permanent housing or appropriate residential placement. The shelter provides three meals a day for residents.

Mercy House served 28 individuals in 2024.