

## **Department for Children, Youth and Families**

### **Justification for 2024 Budget Amendment for Secure Detention**

The Department for Children, Youth and Families respectfully requests legislative authorization to amend the 2024 Adopted Budget for costs associated with placements at Capital District Youth Center, Inc. (CDYCI) for the provision of specialized secure detention for Raise the Age (RTA) youth. The County has experienced costs greater than anticipated over the course of the 2024 fiscal year.

We have made payments covering quarters 1-3 and estimate we will need a total of \$2,000,000 to cover the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and the negative balance (-\$556,071) currently in the account from the unprecedentedly high 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter bill. The requested budget amendment to increase this appropriation account is offset by RTA revenue as these billings are 100% reimbursed by NYS.