

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION**

No. 784-12-2022

On Motion of Commissioner Rodriguez  
Seconded by Commissioner Lipski

**APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL AWARD ALLOCATION  
FROM THE HUDSON COUNTY/JERSEY CITY  
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (WDB) TO  
THE HUDSON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES  
FOR THE WORKFIRST NEW JERSEY PROGRAM  
AND  
EXTENDING CONTRACTS TO SERVICE PROVIDERS  
JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023  
(\$2,474,484.00)**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development issued a Notice of Award for State Fiscal Year 2023 which runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 in the total amount of **SIX MILLION TWO HUNDRED TWENTY ONE THOUSAND THIRTY ONE DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$6,221,031.00)**; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution No. 460-8-2021, this Board approved year 2 of fair and open competitive contracts with educational services providers for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the impending contract expirations, the Hudson County/Jersey City Workforce Development Board (WDB) issued a competitive contracting Request for Proposals (RFP) for Program Year 2022 Fiscal Year 2023 Workfirst New Jersey (WFNJ) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training and General Assistance (GA) Programs at the end of May 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the determination of the New Jersey Department of Labor (NJL) issued at the end of September/early October 2022, none of the proposals submitted were responsive to the RFP; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to prevent a gap in essential services to the public due to the delay in the RFP process, by way of Resolution No. 661-10-2022, this Board authorized contract extensions to the current service providers through December 31, 2022

**WHEREAS**, on October 7, 2022, the Hudson County/Jersey City Workforce Development Board (WDB) issued a second competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) for Program Year 2022 Fiscal Year 2023 Workfirst New Jersey (WFNJ) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training and General Assistance (GA) Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, on the return date of October 28, 2022, two (2) responsive Proposals were received which were reviewed by the New Jersey Department of Labor And Workforce Development (NJL) Office of Career Services on November 21, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the evaluation panel scored and discussed the Proposals and the panel recommends that the Workfirst New Jersey, SNAP Employment and Training, and GA funds be awarded to the Hudson County Department of Family Services; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution No. 661-10-2022, **TWO MILLION NINE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE HOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$2,925,516.00)** of the previously mentioned granted funds were awarded to Workforce Development educational service providers in order to fund the service provider contract extensions through December 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining amount of the funds to be awarded to the Department of Family Services is **TWO MILLION FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$2,474,484.00)**; and

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WHEREAS, the remaining unallocated balance in the amount of EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY ONE THOUSAND THIRTY-ONE DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$821,031.00) will be utilized by the Hudson County/Jersey City Workforce Development Board for administration purposes; and

WHEREAS, the breakdown for the numbers mentioned above are as follows:

| WORKFIRST NEW JERSEY FY2023 AWARD |                       |   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Action                            | Amount                | Detail  |
| RFP Recommendation                | \$5,400,000.00        | FY23 Funds  |
| RES. 661-10-2022                  | (\$2,925,516.00)      | Allocated for the FY22 Contract Extension using FY23 Funds. |
| <b>Balance</b>                    | <b>\$2,474,484.00</b> | <b>Pending DFS Allocation</b>                               |
| Total FY23 NOA                    | \$6,221,031.00        |   |
| RES 661-10-2022                   | (\$2,925,516.00)      |   |
| PENDING DFS ALLOCATION            | (\$2,474,484.00)      |   |
| <b>UNALLOCATED BALANCE</b>        | <b>\$821,031.00</b>   | <b>WDB Admin/ Program Funds Set-Aside</b>                   |

WHEREAS, the Workfirst New Jersey funds must be fully obligated by June 30, 2023 and fully expended by December 31, 2023 and there is a minimum requirement that 75% of the funding must be committed by December 31, 2022 which funds have been provided to the Hudson County Workforce Development Area, and will be used to fund the continuation of the Workfirst New Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the award recommendation to Family Services by NJDOL, Family Services is now required to issue a new competitive contracting process for educational service providers; and

WHEREAS, due to the extreme time constraint, it is impossible for Family Services to issue, review, and award new contracts by December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, all the current contracts emanate from a fair and open competitive contracting process and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.2, contracts awarded pursuant to a competitive contracting process may be awarded up to a five year period; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to extend the existing contracts extended by way of Resolution No. 661-10-2022 for a six (6) month period (January 1, 2023 until June 30, 2023) with the existing service providers while the Department of Family Services is able to properly issue a new RFP and award new contracts to service providers; and

WHEREAS, the allocation to each vendor shall be done by subsequent action by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified in writing as to the availability of funds for this purpose in Account No. 02-213-40-742-22; and

WHEREAS, the award to Family Services by the WDB as well as the contracts to the service proviers are not subject to "Pay to Play" requirements as they emanate from fair and open competitive processes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Hudson, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Board hereby authorizes County Executive Thomas A. DeGise, County Administrator, Abraham Antun, Deputy County Administrator, David Drumeler, or their lawfully appointed designee to execute any and all documents and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this resolution.
3. The Board hereby approves the award of a fair and open competitive allocation of funds to the Hudson County Department of Family Services for the Workfirst New Jersey, SNAP, Employment and Training and General Assistance Programs.
4. The Clerk to this Board shall attach a certified copy of this Resolution to the filed copy of Resolution No. 661-10-2022.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

| Commissioner  | Aye | Nay | Abst | N.P. | Commissioner            | Aye | Nay | Abst. | N.P. |
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| Walker        | ✓   |     |      |      | Cedeño                  | ✓   |     |       |      |
| Cifelli       | ✓   |     |      |      | Rodriguez               | ✓   |     |       |      |
| Kopacz        | ✓   |     |      |      | Vice-Chairperson Romano | ✓   |     |       |      |
| Aponte-Lipski | ✓   |     |      |      | Chairperson Vainieri    | ✓   |     |       |      |
| O'Dea         | ✓   |     |      |      |                         |     |     |       |      |

It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Hudson held on the 01 day of Dec, A.D. 2022, the foregoing resolution was adopted with 9 members voting in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

 Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

BY:  
DONATO J. BATTISTA  
HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL  
Source: Family Services  
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