



Memorandum

To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners
From: Friend of the Court, Melissa A. Scharrer
Date: 6/15/2021
**Re: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A RENEWAL
AND AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2017 THROUGH FY 2021
COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR
FY 2022 AND FY 2023 WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

In 1975, through Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Support, began the process to contract with States to provide for the establishment and collection, distribution and enforcement of child support. The Livingston County Friend of the Court (FOC) has been contracting with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) for reimbursement of eligible child support expenses through the Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement each fiscal year for the last several years. We are currently in the fifth year of a Contract Agreement with the MDHHS (10/01/2016 – 9/30/2021) which provides for 66% reimbursement of eligible child support expenses. Pursuant to the Contract Agreement, there is a provision for an Option to Renew which states:

At the discretion of MDHHS, this Agreement may be renewed in writing by an amendment not less than 30 days before its expiration. This Agreement may be renewed for up to two additional one-year periods.

The MDHHS has chosen to exercise its option to renew for two additional one-year periods being FY 2022 (10/01/21-9/30/22) and FY 2023 (10/01/22-9/30/23) and increased the allocations for FY 2022 and FY 2023. While the amount for FY 2023 is the same as for FY 2022, we are eligible to apply for a contract amendment, if needed. While the 66% reimbursement provides the largest source of revenue, additional revenue is received including Federal and State incentive monies, service fees, statutory IV-D and non-IV-D monies, and others.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

