

NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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CHAIRWOMAN

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NORMA GONSALVES

JUDI BOSWORTH  
Ranking

DELIA DeRIGGI-WHITTON

ROBERT TROIANO

WILLIAM J. MULLER III, Clerk

LIST OF SPEAKERS

LISA MURPHY . . . . . 5  
ANNA SOUSA . . . . . 9  
PAUL BRODERICK . . . . . 10

2 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: I call the Health  
3 and Social Services Committee. And I ask the  
4 clerk to take the roll, please.

5 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Troiano?

6 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Here.

7 CLERK MULLER: Legislator DeRiggi-  
8 Whitton?

9 LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

10 CLERK MULLER: Ranking Member Bosworth?

11 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Here.

12 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Gonsalves?

13 LEGISLATOR GONSALVES: Present.

14 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Muscarella?

15 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.

16 CLERK MULLER: Vice Chairman Becker?

17 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Present.

18 CLERK MULLER: Chairwoman Walker?

19 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Here.

20 CLERK MULLER: We have a quorum.

21 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Thank you.

22 There are three items on the agenda  
23 today. The first is Clerk Item Number 486-12, an  
24 ordinance supplemental to the annual  
25 appropriation ordinance in connection with the

2 Nassau County Youth Board.

3 Do I have a motion?

4 LEGISLATOR BECKER: So moved.

5 LEGISLATOR GONSALVES: Second.

6 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Motion by Legislator  
7 Becker, seconded by Legislator Gonsalves.

8 MS. MURPHY: Hello. I'm Lisa Murphy.  
9 I'm the Commissioner of Human Services, and I'm  
10 here for this supplemental appropriation.

11 There is no impact to the general fund.  
12 This is 100 percent grant fund. It is for  
13 special delinquency prevention programs between  
14 the Office of Family and Children Services and  
15 Nassau County Office of Youth Services.

16 Any questions?

17 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions by  
18 any of the legislators?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 Any public comment?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 All those in favor?

23 I'm sorry. Legislator Troiano.

24 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Who administers, I  
25 guess, the grant?

2 MS. MURPHY: The Office of Youth  
3 Services.

4 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: The Youth Board?

5 MS. MURPHY: The formerly known Youth  
6 Board, yes.

7 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Is that also going  
8 to exist -- I guess that still exists now?

9 MS. MURPHY: Yes. It does.

10 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: And so the  
11 personnel that are on hand currently running that  
12 office are still there?

13 MS. MURPHY: As you know, the Office of  
14 Youth Services was largely staffed with contract  
15 employees from Family and Children's Association.  
16 That contract, that employment contract has been  
17 terminated. However, we still do have staff,  
18 which are county employees, and they will be  
19 administering this grant.

20 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: And so when you say  
21 they're going to administer the grant, are they  
22 going to be disbursing funds to different  
23 organizations? Are they going to be running  
24 programs themselves?

25 MS. MURPHY: No. They will be

2 disbursing funds to different programs, which is  
3 what we do. We do not provide direct services.  
4 We contract out those services.

5 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Do you have a list  
6 of the organizations that will be getting this  
7 money?

8 MS. MURPHY: Yes. I do.

9 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Do you have that?

10 MS. MURPHY: I will share it with you  
11 now. And if you need a written copy of it, I  
12 will provide it for you.

13 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Do we have a clerk  
14 -- and the whole committee can see it? Can we  
15 get a copy of that?

16 MS. MURPHY: Absolutely. We will  
17 provide you with a copy of that. It's Five Towns  
18 Community Center --

19 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: How much are they  
20 getting?

21 MS. MURPHY: They are getting \$20,188.  
22 It's Freeport Pride; they are receiving \$37,738.  
23 It's Glen Cove Boys & Girls Club at Lincoln  
24 House, and they are receiving \$40,549. It's Long  
25 Beach REACH, Inc.; their post-institutional

2 project, that's Sharing & Caring, they are  
3 receiving \$76,599. It's Long Island Advocacy  
4 Inc.; they received \$13,940. And it's YES  
5 Counseling Center, and they received \$14,912.

6 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: And how do we  
7 determine what organizations to administer the  
8 program and how much each one gets?

9 MS. MURPHY: These organizations had  
10 been previously part of the Nassau County  
11 comprehensive plan, and the Office of Family and  
12 Children's Services approved this plan and this  
13 distribution.

14 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: We're sure that  
15 those organizations will still exist after the  
16 recent round of budget cuts?

17 MS. MURPHY: They have confirmed that  
18 they will be running these programs for us, yes.

19 LEGISLATOR TROIANO: Thank you.

20 MS. MURPHY: Any other questions?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 MS. MURPHY: Thank you.

23 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any public comment?

24 (No verbal response.)

25 All those in favor?



2 (Aye.)

3 Any opposed?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 It carries unanimously.

6 Next is Clerk Item 489-12, which is an  
7 ordinance supplemental to the annual  
8 appropriation ordinance in connection with the  
9 Health Department.

10 LEGISLATOR GONSALVES: So moved.

11 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

12 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: So moved by  
13 Legislator Gonsalves, seconded by Legislator  
14 Muscarella.

15 MS. SOUSA: Hi. Good afternoon. My  
16 name is Anna Sousa. I'm Deputy Commissioner for  
17 Administration in the Health Department. I'm  
18 here to speak to the supplemental appropriation  
19 for a total of \$668,758. This is related to the  
20 emergency preparedness grant.

21 It's 100 percent grant funded. It is to  
22 cover for salary, fringe benefits, equipment,  
23 supplies, travel, and a few subcontracts.

24 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions by the  
25 legislators?

2 (No verbal response.)

3 Any public comment?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 All those in favor?

6 (Aye.)

7 Any opposed?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 Motion carries unanimously.

10 Our final item is Clerk Item 490, which  
11 is an ordinance supplemental to the annual  
12 appropriation ordinance in connection with the  
13 Department of Social Services.

14 LEGISLATOR GONSALVES: So moved.

15 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Second.

16 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: So moved by  
17 Legislator Gonsalves, seconded by Legislator  
18 Becker.

19 And we have Mr. Broderick here.

20 MR. BRODERICK: Good afternoon. Paul  
21 Broderick, Deputy Commissioner, Department of  
22 Social Services.

23 The item before you is a supplemental  
24 appropriation for \$165,000 from the New York  
25 State Criminal Justice -- Division of Criminal

2 Justice Services.

3 This grant money funds a program for re-  
4 entry of parolees who are being released from  
5 state facilities and are being reintroduced back  
6 into local communities from where they reside.  
7 The whole program is, as I mentioned, grant  
8 funded. The whole goal is to reintroduce them  
9 back into the community.

10 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Can I just ask how  
11 have we found this program to be working?

12 MR. BRODERICK: It works well. I mean,  
13 but sometimes, I gotta be honest with you, it's  
14 timing. The State notifies us when, you know,  
15 the grant is awarded, they'll notify us after the  
16 fact, after it actually begins. So there are  
17 some timing delays there. We have annual  
18 conferences with various stakeholders statewide.  
19 We had one at Hofstra University not too long  
20 ago, actually. We bring together all of the  
21 various participants. We contract out the work.  
22 FCA actually assumes the grant work. We have a  
23 case manager who works with the various  
24 participants coming back in. I don't have the  
25 statistics in front of me. I don't even know how

2 it's measured as success rate. Were people  
3 formerly reintroduced and how did they manage  
4 housing or employment or the various issues that  
5 people would face while coming out of a  
6 penitentiary, for example. I'm not sure how they  
7 measure a success. But to the best of my  
8 knowledge, the program has been beneficial in  
9 that it has been assisting people. I haven't  
10 heard anything negative about it. We can find  
11 out more information if you'd like.

12 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any other  
13 legislators have any comments?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 Any public comment?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 All those in favor?

18 (Aye.)

19 Any opposed?

20 (No verbal response.)

21 Motion carries unanimously.

22 MR. BRODERICK: Thank you.

23 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Thank you, Mr.  
24 Broderick.

25 There being no other business for us, may

2 I have a motion to adjourn?

3 LEGISLATOR GONSALVES: So moved.

4 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Second.

5 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Moved by Legislator  
6 Gonsalves, seconded by Legislator Becker.

7 All those in favor?

8 (Aye.)

9 The Health Committee is adjourned.

10 (Whereupon, the Health and Social  
11 Services Committee adjourned at 3:12 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby state:

THAT I attended at the time and place above mentioned and took stenographic record of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter;

THAT the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate transcript of the same and the whole thereof, according to the best of my ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of August, 2012.

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FRANK GRAY