



COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

May 2, 2025

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: Erie County Department of Social Services Youth Bureau - 2025 Summer
Primetime Funding**

Dear Honorable Members:

The Department of Social Services is seeking approval to execute contracts with 70 community providers in the amount of \$692,460 for the 2025 Summer Primetime program. The Youth Bureau distributed a request-for-proposal for this program, and Youth Board panel recommendations were used to determine contract award amounts.

Operation Primetime provides for an adult-supervised environment for the school summer recess period. Program activities consist of positive youth development, including academic support, mentoring, cultural enrichment, and structured recreational activities that prevent delinquency, increase socialization, and foster respect for authority.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner Karen Rybicki at the Erie County Department of Social Services. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Poloncarz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/mmk
Enclosure

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Social Services Youth Bureau
Re: 2025 Summer Operation Primetime Contract Awards
Date: May 2, 2025

SUMMARY

The Department of Social Services is seeking approval to execute contracts with 70 community providers in the amount of \$692,460 for the 2025 summer Operation Primetime program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The grant funding for this action is derived from New York State Aid and local share dollars that are included in the 2025 Adopted Budget.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Operation Primetime provides for an adult-supervised environment for the school summer recess period. Program activities consist of positive youth development, including academic support, mentoring, cultural enrichment, and structured recreational activities that prevent delinquency, increase socialization, and foster respect for authority.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Youth Bureau distributed a request for proposal (RFP 2025-001VF) to interested parties and the Youth Board panel recommendations were utilized to determine contract award amounts.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

This important program would not be available to local youth.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Contracts will be executed and services will be provided.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION

RE: 2025 Summer Primetime Program

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is seeking approval to execute contracts with community providers for the 2025 summer Primetime program; and

WHEREAS, the availability of local share funding provided in the 2025 adopted budget enable this program implementation; and

WHEREAS, Operation Primetime provides for an adult-supervised environment for the ten-week school summer recess period, and program activities consist of structured recreation that prevents delinquency, increase socialization and foster respect for authority; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal (RFP #2025-001VF) was distributed for this program and Youth Board panel recommendations were utilized to determine contract award amounts; and

WHEREAS, there is no additional local share necessary for these awards, and there is no fiscal impact based on this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive or Deputy County Executive to enter into contracts with the community providers noted in RFP #2025-001VF for Operation Primetime; and be it further

RESOLVED, that sufficient funding exists within the Youth Bureau's 2025 Operating Budget (Fund 110, Funds Center 12530) Account 517749 – Operation Primetime to cover the costs of the agency awards; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to the Director of Budget and Management to make any additional budget adjustment which may be required in order to match expense with State funding allocation adjustments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive's Office, Comptroller's Office, Department of Social Services and Division of Budget and Management.



Department of Social Services

Recommendation for RFP 2025-001VF: Summer Primetime Programming

Date: 3/19/2025

The review panel has completed its task of evaluating the proposals for the above-named RFP. The proposals were graded individually by each panel member as well as by Administration as to compliance with the RFP requirements and fiscal compliance/soundness.


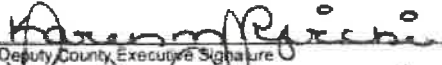

Agency Name	Score	Fiscal Score	Total Score	Request	Recommended Award
CRADLE BEACH, INC.	100.00	6	106.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
JUST BUFFALO LITERARY CENTER	100.00	6	106.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
COMMUNITY ACTION ORGANIZATION OF WESTERN NEW YORK	97.29	7	104.29	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
FIRST SHILOH YOUTH FOUNDATION	98.19	6	104.19	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF GREATER BUFFALO, INC	98.19	6	104.19	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
HOME BENEATH OUR FEET	99.10	5	104.10	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
ENLIGHTENMENT BOOKSTORE & LITERARY ARTS CENTER, INC.	97.29	6	103.29	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
GIRL SCOUTS OF WESTERN NEW YORK	96.99	6	102.99	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF ERIE COUNTY	96.08	6	102.08	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
FAMILY PROMISE OF WESTERN NEW YORK	96.08	6	102.08	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BUFFALO URBAN LEAGUE, INC.	94.78	7	101.78	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BE-A-FRIEND PROGRAM, INC., BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF ERIE, NIAGARA AND THE SOUTHERN TIER	93.57	8	101.57	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
KAREN SOCIETY OF BUFFALO	94.78	6	100.78	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
ERIE REGIONAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	94.28	6	100.28	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BUFFALO ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, INC	90.76	8	98.76	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
G.I.R.L.S SPORTS FOUNDATION INC.	92.47	6	98.47	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
HEAL INTERNATIONAL	92.47	5	97.47	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
GREAT FALLS COUNCIL INC. BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA - FORMERLY WNY SCOUTING	90.36	7	97.36	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
THE YWCA OF WESTERN NEW YORK INC	91.16	6	97.16	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH	90.76	6	96.76	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE NORTHTOWNS OF WNY, INC.	90.76	6	96.76	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00

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CITY SWIM PROJECT	90.36	6	96.36	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EAST AURORA	89.56	6	95.56	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
POLISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF BUFFALO INC.	89.56	6	95.56	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BUFFALO VINEYARD	89.56	6	95.56	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
LOCUST STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ART CLASSES	88.76	6	94.76	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BUFFALO, INC.	86.75	7	93.75	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SERVICES OF ERIE AND NIAGARA COUNTIES, INC.	87.55	6	93.55	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
COMPEER WEST, INC.	87.35	6	93.35	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE PROJECT	87.15	6	93.15	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BEAM: BUFFALO-AREA ENGINEERING AWARENESS FOR MINORITIES	86.75	6	92.75	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TOWN OF WEST SENECA	86.35	6	92.35	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF BUFFALO, INC.	86.14	6	92.14	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BAKER HALL, INC.	86.75	5	91.75	\$ 9,959.65	\$ 9,959.65
TRU-WAY COMMUNITY CENTER INC	85.94	5	90.94	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
EPIC - EVERY PERSON INFLUENCES CHILDREN	84.64	6	90.64	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EDEN INC	85.54	5	90.54	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF ELMA, MARILLA AND WALES	85.54	5	90.54	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BACK TO BASICS OUTREACH MINISTRIES, INC.	83.53	7	90.53	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
METRO CDC	84.74	5	89.74	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
KIDS ESCAPING DRUGS, INC.	84.34	5	89.34	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
KING URBAN LIFE CENTER	84.74	4	88.74	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
PEACE OF THE CITY	82.73	6	88.73	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
THE RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK	83.53	5	88.53	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
WEST SIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES	82.33	6	88.33	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
CHILDCARE NETWORK OF THE NIAGARA FRONTIER, INC	83.13	5	88.13	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
RESOURCE COUNCIL OF WNY	81.93	6	87.93	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
SENECA STREET COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	81.93	6	87.93	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
UNITED CHURCH HOME	83.13	4	87.13	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
WESTMINSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE	81.12	6	87.12	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
FRIENDS INC	81.02	6	87.02	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR SUNY / BUFFALO STATE	79.92	6	85.92	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00

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NORTHWEST BUFFALO COMMUNITY CENTER INC	79.52	6	85.52	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
PARKER ACADEMY CHILD CARE AND LEARNING CENTER INC	79.52	6	85.52	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TRE & ASSOCIATES INC.	79.52	6	85.52	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
LACKAWANNA YEMEN SOCCER CLUB	79.12	6	85.12	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
THE SALVATION ARMY	79.52	5	84.52	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TOWN OF HAMBURG YOUTH, RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES	76.71	6	82.71	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
WAVE BUFFALO INC	75.90	6	81.90	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BITS AND BYTES STEM FOUNDATION	73.90	6	79.90	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
THE RURAL OUTREACH CENTER INC.	74.30	5	79.30	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
MT. OLIVE MBC, INC.	71.89	6	77.89	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
VILLAGE OF HAMBURG	70.68	6	76.68	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
URBAN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES	70.28	6	76.28	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF HOLLAND	70.28	5	75.28	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TOTAL PACKAGE SPORTS, INC.	65.06	6	71.06	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
TOWN OF CHEEKTOWAGA	64.26	6	70.26	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
SPRINGVILLE YOUTH INC.	83.05	6	69.05	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
BE ELITE INC	57.83	5	62.83	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
SOLID FOUNDATION PREP, INC.	54.22	6	60.22	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
					\$ 692,459.65

It is recommended that Summer Primetime Programming be funded as outlined above for Erie County in 2025. Supporting documentation is included in this packet.

The Department of Social Services has complied with all applicable provisions of Section 26.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code.

Deputy Commissioner (Youth Services) Signature 	Printed Name Kenneth Simmons	Date 4-9-25
Commissioner Signature 	Printed Name Karen Rybicki	Date 4/9/25
Deputy County Executive Signature 	Printed Name Lisa Chimera	Date 4/10/25

Once reviewed and approved, please return to Carrie Godfrey, Assistant Social Services Program Director at Rath 867 or Carrie.Godfrey@erie.gov for processing. Thank you.