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uses three guideposts (The Three P's)
to manage Westchester County:**

- Protect Taxpayers
- Preserve Essential Services
- Promote Economic Growth

2017 BUDGET PROPOSAL

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Our Mission

The Office for Women (OFW) is dedicated to promoting the physical, emotional, and financial well-being of all women.

We take pride in the progress made over the years with survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, offering bilingual services, information and referral through the family helpline; short term counseling; Operation Talent Bank; workshops in self-sufficiency and career enhancement; safety planning; training; and other non-residential services.

The OFW currently chairs the Domestic Violence Council, acts as liaison to the Women's Advisory Board, and oversees the Family Justice Center.

Recent Accomplishments

- We worked with victim advocacy groups, academic institutions of higher learning and law enforcement to enhance Westchester's coordinated community response to campus-age sexual assault, including training, assistance with policies and access to resources.
 - We worked with non-residential domestic violence service providers, County DSS, County Attorney's Office and victim advocates on reducing neglect cases against domestic violence victims.
 - We met with police chiefs and captains throughout the County to improve results for victims.
 - In January, we held a two-day conference on campus sexual assault attended by over 100 individuals including college personnel and health professionals, law enforcement, judiciary, attorneys, prosecutors, mental health professionals, advocates and social workers.
 - In June, we hosted a State OPDV training of law enforcement, advocates and attorneys on new DIRs (Domestic Incident Reports).
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Recent Accomplishments (cont'd)

- In October, we held our 16th annual Police Interactive Training Conference on Improving Police Response to Intimate Partner Violence and Special Populations with over 150 law enforcement personnel and service providers in attendance.
- In November, we trained about 250 county supervisors and managers on workplace domestic violence as part of Human Resources' supervisory training.
- We increased services for immigrants at the Family Justice Center with the addition of a Spanish-speaking immigration attorney provided by the Westchester Hispanic Coalition.
- We trained DSS supervisors and staff on bystander accountability (One Love).
- We met with new NYS Police Campus Sexual Assault Crime Victims Unit to plan collaborative trainings.
- This is our 10th year overseeing the Her Honor Mentoring Program with 60 mentees – high school seniors, all young women, and 60 mentors.

Recent Accomplishments (cont'd)

- We continue to provide administration of the Family Justice Center.
- We continue to work with a stakeholder group to increase certifications of U-Visas for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Astorino and Junior League of Central Westchester team up to present special day to raise awareness about the County's Family Justice Center

On May 10, 2016, County Executive Robert P. Astorino, center, joined with the Junior League of Central Westchester to present the "Spa-tacular" for survivors of domestic violence at the Westchester County Center in White Plains.



2017 Community Initiatives

- We will increase services in New Rochelle for victims of domestic violence with the relocation of an advocate.
- We will perform an assessment of community-based services for victims of intimate partner violence in Westchester to identify gaps.
- We will collaborate with United Way for cross referrals.
- We will work to obtain funding for a Westchester-based high-risk team pilot focused on offender risk.
- We will continue to work with Probation Department on new models for offender accountability, and assessment of family dynamics.

2017 Budget Breakdown

Categorical Breakdown

\$448,687	Personnel
\$2,000	Printing & Office Supplies
\$2,000	Postage
\$1,000	Equipment Service & Rental
\$1,000	Travel & Meals
\$1,200	Communications
\$1,025,640	Contractual Services
\$1,000	Programs for Women
<u>\$138,638</u>	Interdepartmental Costs
\$1,621,165	Subtotal Expenses
\$411,365	Revenues
\$1,209,800	Total 2017 Budget Request

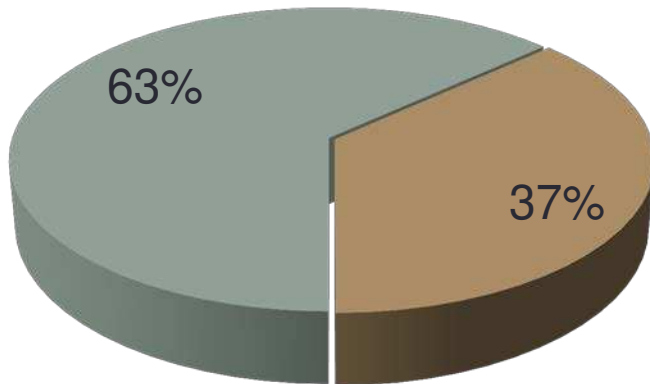
Expense/Revenue Breakdown

\$595,525	OFW Operating
<u>\$1,025,640</u>	Contractual Operating
\$1,621,165	Total Operating Expenses
\$372,231	Interdepartmental
<u>\$39,134</u>	State
\$411,365	Total Tax Levy Revenue

2017 Budget Breakdown (cont'd)

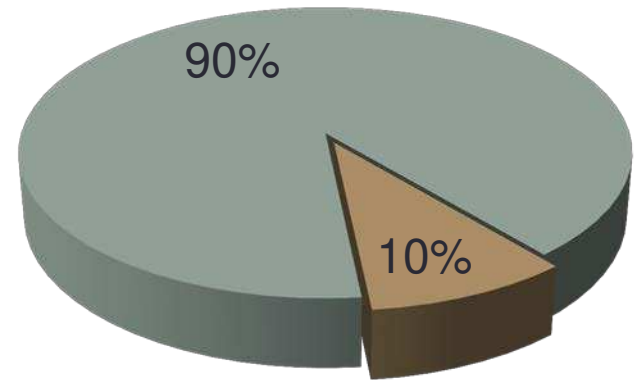
Operating Expenses (\$1,621,165)

■ Contractual \$1,025,640 ■ OFW \$595,525



Tax Levy Revenues (\$411,365)

■ Interdepartmental \$372,231 ■ State \$39,134



Contractual Services

The following contractual programs are administered by OFW:

Legal Services

- Legal Services of the Hudson Valley: civil legal services for domestic violence victims.
 - Pace Women's Justice Center (*Subcontractor*): civil legal services for immigrant and non-immigrant victims through the Family Court Legal Program.
 - My Sisters' Place (*Subcontractor*): civil legal services for victims in Yonkers.
- Legal Services of the Hudson Valley: civil legal services for the indigent as well as representation in immigration cases for victims of domestic violence in Mt. Vernon.
 - My Sisters' Place (*Subcontractor*): civil legal services for victims of domestic violence in Mt. Vernon.
 - Hudson Valley Justice Center (*Subcontractor*): legal services for immigrants in Mt. Vernon.
- Legal Services of the Hudson Valley: civil legal services for the indigent in Peekskill.
- Provider TBD (RFP in process): various legal services for immigrants.

Contractual Services (cont'd)

Non-Residential Support Services for Victims of Domestic Violence

- My Sisters' Place: non-residential support services for domestic violence victims.
 - Hope's Door (*Subcontractor*): additional non-residential support services for immigrant and non-immigrant domestic violence victims.
 - Victims Assistance Services of WestCOP (*Subcontractor*): safety planning education, orientation & advocacy for victims seeking orders of protection.

Domestic Violence Education & Training

- My Sisters' Place: school-based education; education, training and domestic violence expert assistance to hospitals, healthcare providers and facilities in the County; and a coordinator of training.
 - Hope's Door (*Subcontractor*): domestic violence education services to schools throughout Westchester.

Contractual Services (cont'd)

Crime Victim Services

- Victims Assistance Services of WestCOP: crisis intervention services to victims of rape and services to children who have been victims of or witnesses to violence.
- Westchester Medical Center: forensic medical services to children/adolescents and adults presenting with concerns for acute sexual abuse or assault through its Forensic Acute Care Team (FACT) Program.
- Provider TBD (RFP in process): services to victims of sexual assault including bilingual 24/7 hotline, short-term counseling, accompaniment to appropriate resources including police stations, hospitals and other providers, comprehensive outreach and education.

Education/Support Services

- Pace Women's Justice Center: legal helpline; attorney training to assist women and senior citizens.

Contractual Services (cont'd)

Entrepreneurial Training

- Women's Enterprise Development Center: microenterprise training and assistance to poor and minority women.

Child Care Services

- Child Care Council of Westchester: assistance with quality enhancement of infant/toddler care.
- YWCA of White Plains & Central Westchester: child care in White Plains Family Court.
- YWCA of White Plains & Central Westchester: child care in New Rochelle Family Court.
- YWCA of White Plains & Central Westchester: supervised visitation services.

2017 Contracts

Contractor	Sub-contractor	Program	2017 Proposed	Funding Source	Total 2017 Proposed
Child Care Council		Infant/Toddler	201,571	OFW Tax Levy	201,571
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley		DV Civil Legal	496,672	IDCP	1,006,581
	PWJC	Family Court Legal Program	370,555	IDCP	
		DV Immigrant Legal (White Plains)	17,811	OFW Tax Levy	
		DV Immigrant Legal (Yonkers)	17,811	OFW Tax Levy	
MSP	Legal Center (Yonkers)	103,732	IDCP		
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley	MSP, HVJC	Mt. Vernon Project	600,516	Misc Tax Levy	600,516
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley		Peekskill Project	107,220	Misc Tax Levy	107,220
My Sisters' Place		Non-Residential DV	383,807	IDCP	599,716
	HD	Non-Residential DV	103,059	IDCP	
		Immigrant DV Counseling	59,650	OFW Tax Levy	
VAS	Family Abuse Court Services	53,200	IDCP		

KEY: IDCP = Interdepartmental Cooperative Plan w/DSS PWJC = Pace Women's Justice Center
MSP = My Sisters' Place HD = Hope's Door HVJC = Hudson Valley Justice Center
VAS = Victims Assistance Services of WestCOP

2017 Contracts (cont'd)

Contractor	Sub-contractor	Program	2017 Proposed	Funding Source	Total 2017 Proposed
My Sisters' Place		DVEP	51,344	OFW Tax Levy	343,860
		93,095	IDCP		
		Operation Safety	72,033	OFW Tax Levy	
	Training Coordinator	75,156	IDCP		
	HD	STAR Program	52,232	OFW Tax Levy	
Pace University (Women's Justice Center)		Women's Justice Center	66,480	OFW Tax Levy	66,480
VAS of WestCOP		Rape Crisis Program	92,712	OFW Tax Levy	92,712
Westchester Medical Center		FACT Program	107,525	OFW Tax Levy	107,525
Women's Enterprise Development Center		Entrepreneurial Training	63,432	OFW Tax Levy	63,432
YWCA		Child Care in White Plains Court	61,337	OFW Tax Levy	61,337
YWCA		Child Care in New Rochelle Court	61,702	OFW Tax Levy	61,702
YWCA		Supervised Visitation	9,626	IDCP	9,626
To Be Determined		Immigrant Legal Services	100,000	OFW Tax Levy	100,000
To Be Determined		Bilingual Sexual Assault Services	100,000	IDCP	100,000

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VAS = Victims Assistance Services YWCA = YWCA of White Plains & Central Westchester

Grant Collaborations

Ongoing collaborations include OFW participation in two federally-funded grants through the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women.

Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (2013-2017): County is the grantee with over a dozen partner agencies. Currently in its third continuation cycle, the grant provides funds to maintain services of the Family Justice Center.

Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (2014-2017): County is the grantee with several partners including Pace Women's Justice Center, Hebrew Home for the Aged at Riverdale, Greenburgh Police Department, Victims Assistance Services of WestCOP and the DA's Office. The purpose is to enhance training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic/dating violence or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.



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