CITY OF SOUTH LEBANON, OHIO RESOLUTION NO. 2022-56

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. (WCCS) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL DESIGNATION AS WARREN COUNTY'S COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

WHEREAS, Community Action Agencies were established as part of President Johnson's War on Poverty and are locally controlled agencies designed to meet local needs; and,

WHEREAS, each county must be served by a Community Action Agency and the Community Action Commission of Warren County (now WCCS, Inc.) became a delegate agency of SCOPE (now Miami Valley Community Action Partnership) in 1975; and,

WHEREAS, 14,548 Warren County citizens live in poverty, including 5,819 Warren County children; and,

WHEREAS, WCCS, Inc. has provided services to Warren County since 1966 and in that time has assisted thousands of families in poverty, putting them on a path towards self-sufficiency; and,

WHEREAS, WCCS, Inc. provides programming and services in the following areas: early childhood education, affordable, high-quality childcare, aging and elderly housing, nutrition, socialization, and care coordination, energy, rental, and emergency assistance, high school workforce development, transportation, adult literacy, and meaningful volunteerism; and,

WHEREAS, WCCS, Inc. finds solutions and support for nearly 9,000 individuals and families a year; and,

WHEREAS, Federal Community Services Block Grant dollars for Warren County have been passed through Miami Valley Community Action Partnership to WCCS, Inc. for over 47 years, causing WCCS Inc. to lose significant administrative support to fulfil their mission; and,

WHEREAS, WCCS, Inc. has the staff, expertise, and resources needed to serve Warren County and partnering agencies with interruption; and

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WHEREAS, the City of South Lebanon community is serviced by Warren County Community Services; and,

WHEREAS, the City of South Lebanon supports WCCS, Inc. in receiving the designation as the Community Action Agency for Warren County; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of South Lebanon, at least a majority of all members elected thereto concurring:

<u>Section 1</u>. Council endorses WCCS Inc. in receiving the federal designation as Warren County's Community Action Agency.

<u>Section 2.</u> That the recitals contained within the Whereas Clauses set forth above are incorporated by reference herein.

<u>Section 3.</u> That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Adopted thisday of	James D. Smith, Mayor
Rules Suspended: / /2022 (if applicable)	Effective Date - / /2022
Vote Yeas Nays	
First Reading – 12/15/2022 Second Reading – 1/5/2023 Third Reading – 1/19/2023	Effective Date – 2 /19/2023
Vote - <u>5</u> Yeas Nays	

Resolution 2022-56 WCCS, Inc. Endorsement

Prepared by and approved as to form:

ANDREW MEIER
CITY SOLICITOR
SOUTH LEBANON, OHIO

By:

Date: 1/19/2023

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

I, Tina Williams, CPA, Fiscal Officer of the City of South Lebanon, Ohio do hereby certify I posted a true and accurate copy of this ordinance or resolution, summary of ordinance or resolution, or statement, order, proclamation, notice or report, at five public places within the City as authorized by Section 731.25 of the Ohio Revised Code and Ordinance 98-08 of the City of South Lebanon, Ohio

Date

Tina Williams, CPA Fiscal Officer

City of South Lebanon, Ohio



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December 6, 2022

City of South Lebanon 10 N High Street South Lebanon, OH 45065

Dear Mayor Smith:

We write to endorse Warren County Community Services, Inc. (WCCS) as they seek the federal designation to be Warren County's Community Action Agency (CCA). We fully support the efforts of WCCS to continue addressing the needs of our community members living with low-to-moderate incomes as well as local businesses and corporations, as they have now done in Warren County for over 56 years.

WCCS has proven success in identifying the needs of thousands of families and providing programming in areas of affordable housing; workforce development; emergency assistance — water, energy, and rental; adult literacy; early childhood education; affordable, high-quality childcare; meaningful volunteerism; and transportation, nutrition, social, and health support services for our aging population so they can live independently as long as possible. In total, they found solutions for and provided education to nearly 9,000 county residents in 2021.

Further, as WCCS begins receiving these federal funds directly, we know they will leverage those dollars to bring in additional financial support to our area. This, along with conducting a required comprehensive community needs assessment every three years, will ensure WCCS provides the most relevant and appropriate programs for our county on an on-going basis.

We look forward to their continued success and to fortifying our longtime partnership with them. We know that together we can aid in elevating Warren County by helping hard-working residents move out of poverty and into greater self-reliance, and we encourage your municipality to follow suit. Each individual or family WCCS helps to bolster financial capacity for serves to make our county's economy even stronger.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

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