



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing the acceptance, and emergency appropriation of \$50,000 in additional funding for the Violence Interruption Program Grant that is administered through the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA).

- This Violence Interruption Program grant provides funding for the State's Attorney's Office Gun Violence Prevention Initiative (GVPI).
- The purpose of the GVPI is to work with community-based organizations to identify and hire violence interrupters who will work to reduce gun violence, specifically in Waukegan, North Chicago, and Zion and to provide opportunities for the most at-risk in our communities.
- The additional funding of \$50,000 will be allocated to our current subgrantee, Waukegan Township, to continue providing contractual services such as violence interrupters and case management.
- The grant is administered through ICJIA with an extended performance period through June 30, 2025.
- The source of program funding is 100 percent federal funding; no County funds are required.
- If funding for this program ends, and new funding is not secured, the program and staff will be eliminated.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Violence Interruption Program Grant, for the State's Attorney's Office Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, which is administered through the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) has awarded additional funding in the amount of \$50,000 in federal funds and has been extended through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS the additional federal grant award will be allocated to the subgrantee, Waukegan Township, to continue to fund the salary and benefits for six violence interrupters; and

WHEREAS the additional federal grant award must be formally accepted by Lake County, and it is necessary to appropriate the grant funding; and

WHEREAS the State's Attorney's Office recommends that the Chair of the County Board, the State's Attorney, and the Treasurer be authorized to execute the necessary documents to accept and execute the grant award; and

WHEREAS, if funding for this program ends, and new funding is not secured, the program will be eliminated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, the SFY 2023 Violence Interruption Program Grant, from the State Coronavirus Urgent Remediation Emergency Fund consisting of ARPA Federal Funds, for the State's Attorney's Office Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, for the period of November 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, is hereby accepted and execution is hereby authorized; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$50,000 in federal grant funding and offsetting revenue is hereby authorized for the Violence Interruption Program GVPI grant as detailed in the attached chart of accounts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State's Attorney shall serve as project director for the program, and accurate records of all necessary grant compliance requirements shall be kept by the State's Attorney's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lake County Chair of the Board, the Lake County State's Attorney, and the Lake County Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documentation to accept the grant award.

DATED, at Waukegan, Illinois, on June 11, 2024.