

## Lake County Illinois

## **Legislation Text**

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Joint resolution authorizing the execution of a Technical Services agreement between the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and Lake County providing the terms and conditions for the receipt of federal "New Freedom" grant funds, over 2 years.

- RTA: Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project in Antioch, Avon, Grant and Lake Villa Townships
- "New Freedom" grant funds administered by the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) will be used to expand paratransit service in Lake County during the weekdays.
- These funds will be used to expand paratransit service in Lake County to meet the needs of the
  mobility challenged constituent population in Antioch, Avon, Grant and Lake Villa Townships; this
  program to be known as the "Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project."
- A portion of the service will be a flexible route connecting to Metra stations on the North Central Line and Milwaukee District - North Line. The RTA will provide \$400,000 of federal "New Freedom" grant funds, over 2 years, for this demonstration project.
- Pace Suburban Bus Division of the RTA will supply 50% of the required local match of this grant (guaranteed for 1 year only at this time) and will coordinate operations of the expanded paratransit program.
- This resolution authorizes the execution of an agreement for these grant funds and appropriates \$700,000 of the ½% sales tax for transportation and public safety funds for the County's portion of this project and designated as Section 09-00280-01-ES.

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, by prior resolution at its meeting of November 14, 2006, adopted a resolution in support of the Lake County Coordinated Transportation Services Committee (LCCTSC) goal to develop a borderless paratransit system service in Lake County to meet the needs of the mobility challenged constituent population; and

**WHEREAS,** this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, by prior resolution authorized professional services to undertake the development of said Lake County paratransit transportation plans; and

**WHEREAS**, this County Board at its meeting of August 12, 2008 authorized the Chairman of the County Board, the County Clerk and the County Engineer to apply for a technical assistance grant from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) to provide for the implementation of a Lake County Northwest Demonstration paratransit program in cooperation with Pace and the Townships of Antioch, Avon, Grant and Lake Villa; and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County, by and through its Division of Transportation on November 13, 2008 was notified by the RTA that it was approved to receive \$400,000 of federal "New Freedom" grant funds to provide partial funding over 2 years for said Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project.

**WHEREAS**, Pace Suburban Bus Division of the RTA will supply 50% of the required local match of this grant (guaranteed for 1 year only at this time) and will coordinate operations of this expanded

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paratransit program.

**WHEREAS,** the RTA and Lake County are desirous of entering into an agreement stating the terms and conditions by which the RTA will provide said \$400,000 grant to Lake County for the expansion of said paratransit services, a draft copy attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by this County Board of Lake County, that the County Engineer and the State's Attorney of Lake County be authorized and they are directed to execute an agreement for the receipt of \$400,000 of federal "New Freedom" grant funds, over 2 years, from the RTA to be used to expand paratransit service in Lake County during the weekdays in Antioch, Avon, Grant and Lake Villa Townships.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the expansion of said paratransit services during the weekday in Antioch, Avon, Grant and Lake Villa Townships will be designated as the "Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project."

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that there is hereby appropriated \$700,000 of the ½% sales tax for transportation and public safety funds for the County's portion of the expansion of said "Lake County Northwest Demonstration Project."

Dated at Waukegan, Illinois, on this 10th day of November A.D., 2009