



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Resolution to accept an Illinois Emergency Management Agency / US Department of Homeland Security Citizen Corps grant and to authorize the emergency appropriation of \$3,500 for support of the Lake County Citizen Corps Council and its related volunteer programs.

- The United States Department of Homeland Security (US DHS) through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has made limited funding available to local jurisdictions to support volunteer preparedness efforts through the "Citizen Corps" family of programs.
- The Citizen Corps program includes an array of local volunteer programs that foster improved community preparedness and response to emergencies and disasters of all kinds, including the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS), and Fire Corps initiatives, among others.
- The Lake County Citizen Corps Council is comprised of representatives from various communities across Lake County that host and utilize volunteer groups.
- The Lake County Citizen Corps Council enhances the County's overall preparedness by facilitating information sharing, collaborative training and exercising, and providing educational materials among and to the various partner communities.
- The Citizen Corps grant is an annual amount that is provided through the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to jurisdictions that meet agreed-upon standards for organization, membership, participation, and activity, to support allowable program costs for the volunteer programs.
- The Lake County Health Department and Lake County Emergency Management Agency have previously been awarded and utilized funding through this program for several years.
- These grant funds from Federal Fiscal Year 2009 must be expended by the end of December, 2010.

**WHEREAS**, Lake County has been awarded a reimbursement grant through the Citizen Corps program in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the support of volunteer emergency preparedness teams in Lake County; and

**WHEREAS**, budget amendments are necessary to properly account for the revenue and expenditures related to this grant and the Citizen Corps Council activity; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed appropriations will be fully offset by the reimbursement from the Citizen Corps program grant; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the award of a Citizen Corps grant in the amount of \$3,500 is hereby accepted, emergency appropriations in the amount of \$3,500 are hereby authorized in account 101-1101040-61040-000-000-00000, additional offsetting revenue in the same of \$3,500.00 in account 101-1101040-45333-000-000-000-00000 is hereby budgeted, and the Chairman is hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement documents.

**DATED** at Waukegan, Illinois, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2010.