



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing the renewal of the Lake County Children’s Advocacy Center’s program funding awarded by the Department of Children & Family Services (DCFS) through the Children’s Advocacy Centers of Illinois for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025, including grant funding of \$626,682.48.

- The Lake County State’s Attorney’s Office has been awarded \$626,682.48 in grant funds from DCFS.
- The grant term is July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
- The Children’s Advocacy Center and the Lake County State’s Attorney’s Office will use the funds to provide salary and benefits for the current three Victim Advocates, Program Director, Director of Outreach and Engagement, Administrative Assistant, and contractual work for a Development and Communications Designer, and Forensic Interviewers assigned to the grant program.
- The positions and grant are already included in the State’s Attorney’s approved fiscal year FY 2024 budget.
- The grant award increase from the FY 2024 budget is due to COLA increase for the positions.
- If funding for these positions ends, and new funding is not secured, the positions will be eliminated.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the DCFS has announced a 12-month continuation of the grant program to provide direct services to child victims of crimes during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds of \$626,682.48 for this program will provide salary and benefits for the current three Victim Advocates, Program Director, Director of Outreach and Engagement, Administrative Assistant, a contractual Development and Communications Designer, and contractual Forensic Interviewers assigned to the grant program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Program Agreement with the Children’s Advocacy Centers of Illinois with State Department of Children and Family Services funds for the State’s Attorney’s Children’s Advocacy Center program to provide services to child victims and their families, for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, is hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all revenue and expenses to be appropriated as detailed on the attached budget; and

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

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on July 9, 2024.