



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an amendment for a six-month extension for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grant awarded by the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois to the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center (LCCAC), including an emergency appropriation of \$38,121 in federal funds.

- This CESF grant extension will enable continuation and expansion of LCCAC programs which address the needs of children who have experienced sexual/physical abuse in Lake County. Last year, 14,210 children were served in the State of Illinois by Children's Advocacy Centers. Between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021, 2,772 of those clients were served at the LCCAC.
- The grant is administered through the Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois for the performance period of October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 and is a continuation of the previous funding.
- Through this funding, the LCCAC will be able to support their current programming by assisting their Multi-Disciplinary partners with Spanish speaking Forensic Interviews, advocating for clients, and creating materials to distribute and educate the families being served. The funding will help support the current Victim Advocate and allow us to expand on our community outreach by being able to purchase computers, software, and contractually hire a Communications assistant to create client materials.
- The additional funding of \$38,121 will be used to purchase USB drives, marketing supplies, equipment, an outdoor storage shed, miscellaneous supplies and a portion of the salary and benefits for the Spanish speaking LCCAC Victim Advocate for the period of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. No county funds are required.

WHEREAS, the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois announced a six-month extension and funding increase of \$38,121 for the continuation of the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grant which will provide victim services and assistance with offender prosecution during the period of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the grant program federal funding will be used to purchase needed supplies, create marketing materials, and fund a portion of the salary and benefits for the LCCAC Spanish speaking Victim Advocate; and

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

WHEREAS, the State's Attorney's Office recommends that the Chairman of the County Board, the State's Attorney, and the Treasurer be authorized to execute the

necessary documents to accept and execute the grant extension,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois CESF grant extension for the period of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022, is hereby accepted and execution is hereby authorized; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, personnel expenses and offsetting revenue for the LCCAC Spanish speaking Victim Advocate are already appropriated in the State's Attorney's Office approved FY22 budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, \$38,121 in grant extension funding and offsetting revenue be appropriated as detailed in the attached chart of accounts; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman 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 February 8, 2022.