



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an amendment for a six-month extension of the State's Attorney's Prosecutor Based Victim Services programs, through a Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) grant awarded by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA).

- This VOCA victim assistance grant extension is for two Prosecutor Based Victim Services programs administered through the ICJIA for the performance period of January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.
- Funding for one program began in 1991 and the second program began in 2010. These grants are renewed on an annual basis. In 2018, both grant programs were combined into one grant contract.
- The focus of this grant is to provide advocacy services to the currently under-served sexual assault, misdemeanor domestic violence, elder abuse and aggravated battery victim populations. The ICJIA is providing this six-month extension to adjust the future grant performance period.
- The grant program funds are allocated to cover 85 percent of the grant-assigned Sexual Assault Victim Witness Coordinator's (VWC) salary and benefits and 100 percent of the grant-assigned Domestic Violence VWC salary and benefits. Additional program costs will be covered by grant match.
- Grant program revenue and expenses are already included in the State's Attorney's budget.

### RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the ICJIA has announced a six-month extension recommendation of the continuation of the State's Attorney's Prosecutor Based Victim Services programs, through a Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) grant, with a 6-month extension to provide advocacy services to victims of sexual assault and domestic violence during the period of January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant program will continue to fund 85 percent of the salary and benefits for a full time Sexual Assault Victim Witness Coordinator (VWC) in the Specialized Victims Division, and 100 percent of the salary and benefits for a full time Victim Witness Coordinator (VWC) in the Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Division; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant renewal must be formally accepted by Lake County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that VOCA Program Amendment and Extension with the ICJIA for the Lake County State's Attorney's Prosecutor Based Victim Services programs for the period of January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019, is hereby accepted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that grant program revenue and expenses are already included in the State's Attorney's budget; 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 Office; 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 in order to accept the grant renewal.

**DATED**, at Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois, on November 13, 2018.