



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the amount of \$200,000 to support the goal of Lake County to end chronic homelessness.

- Since 2015, Lake County has participated in the “Built For Zero” technical assistance project for communities committed to ending homelessness. The lead Built for Zero entity, Community Solutions International, Inc., recently announced that Lake County Community Development was awarded \$200,000 in Built for Zero grant funding.
- In accepting these funds, Lake County commits best efforts to end chronic homelessness by December 31, 2019. The attached Grant Agreement states that “if for any reason Lake County does not meet this goal by the end of 2019, Lake County and its partners will continue working to end chronic homelessness until this goal is achieved.” (“Ending homelessness” is defined in the homeless services sector and reaching “functional zero” level of homelessness in which all Lake County residents currently experiencing chronic homelessness are housed. After reaching “functional zero” communities can expect to continue to help homeless clients as they enter homelessness.)
- The new grant provides funding for an intern to manage the By-Name (waiting) List for permanent supportive housing, indirect costs and pass-thru grant funding for Catholic Charities to assist with housing the most difficult-to-house.
- This resolution authorizes an emergency appropriation of \$200,000 and the execution of a program agreement to accept the grant funding. The grant does not require a match.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lake County and its Housing & Community Development Commission staff support the Lake County Coalition for the Homeless in its efforts to end all homelessness in Lake County; and

WHEREAS, the National Built for Zero campaign managed by Community Solutions International, Inc. has identified \$200,000 in grant funding in response to grant request by Lake County in partnership with the Lake County Coalition for the Homeless; and

WHEREAS, the County Board must authorize the execution of a grant agreement and an emergency appropriation of \$200,000 to accept and implement this grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the County Board authorizes an emergency appropriation with offsetting revenue in the amount of \$200,000 per the attached chart of accounts, to this grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board designates the Community

Development Administrator to execute a Grant Agreement with Community Solutions, International, Inc. to accept this grant funding.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on October 8, 2019.