



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing 2020 Video Gaming Revenue grant funding recommendations in the amount of \$601,503.

- In September 2016, the Board approved the Video Gaming Revenue policy that outlined procedures for: capturing video gaming administrative, legal, and enforcement costs; and evaluating and possibly funding social programs, projects (excluding capital improvements), and/or services that benefit Lake County residents.
- Application scoring includes up to 60 points (pts) that are distributed based on the following priorities: assessment, education and outreach for gambling addiction (60 pts.); clinical gambling addiction services (45 pts.); non-clinical gambling addiction services (30 pts.); and other behavioral health services (15 pts).
- In December 2019, Community Development received applications for Video Gaming funds totaling \$984,250 for \$701,503 in available funds.
- Funding recommendations include:
 - o \$62,000 to Nicasa for gambling education and outreach;
 - o \$58,000 to Nicasa for clinical therapeutic services for gambling addicts;
 - o \$100,000 to United Way for 211 information and referral services;
 - o \$5,000 to Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Northern Illinois for financial literacy services; and
- Multiple grants to increase the capacity of behavioral health service providers in Lake County: A Safe Place counseling (\$34,000); A Safe Place DCFS Co-location (\$15,000); Arden Shore (\$75,000); CASA Lake County (\$38,000); Catholic Charities (\$25,000); ChildServ (\$25,000); Josselyn Center (\$25,330); Lake County Health Department (\$25,000); One Hope United (\$18,000); PADS outreach (\$27,673); Youth Conservation Corp (\$35,000); Youth & Family Counseling (\$18,000); and Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center (\$15,500)
- The County Board allocated \$100,000 left unallocated by the application review committee to use for temporary lodging for homeless and populations that are unable to quarantine at home.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Illinois Video Gaming Act (230 ILCS 40) establishes a 30 percent tax on gross terminal revenue, of which one-sixth is distributed to the governing body where the revenue was generated; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2013, the Lake County Board adopted the Lake County Video Gaming Ordinance, thereby permitting lawful video gaming within unincorporated areas of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2016, the Lake County Board adopted the Video Gaming Revenue Policy to standardize the reinvestment of video gaming revenue in services to help

residents who suffer from gambling addiction and other behavioral health issues.

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2020, the Lake County Housing and Community Development Commission (HCDC) reviewed recommendations by its Public Services Advisory and Recommendation Committee (ARC) and recommended reinvestment of \$601,503 in Video Gaming Revenue into gambling addiction and capacity-building grants to behavioral health service agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Video Gaming revenue grants recommended for 2020 be approved.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on this the 9th day of June 2020.