



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution accepting a Funding Agreement for the Supreme Court of Illinois Court Technology Modernization Program and approving an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$1,027,412.64.

- The Illinois Court Technology Modernization Program will provide new equipment and infrastructure enhancements to the 19th Judicial Circuit Court and Law Library that will offer additional services benefiting the court, court users and justice partners.
- Additional court technology equipment will include mobile kiosks and bench monitors to enhance the use of the new Integrated Case Management System (ICMS) and provide for in-court preparation of electronic documents and paperless processing.
- Provide for a Digital Evidence Management tool that allows for a secure electronic exchange and access of digital evidence between the judge and litigants, including video and body camera recordings, whether in the courtroom or a remote location.
- These funds will also facilitate upgrades to existing infrastructure (power and data cabling and connections inside courtrooms) at the Center Courthouse providing for enhanced audio-visual performance for all participants, whether in the courtroom or proceeding in hybrid mode (litigants in-person and virtual), as well as assist the Center Courthouse to become capable of electronic court reporting in the future.
- Funds will also support the purchase and installation of 15 permanent modular workstations, Zoom Stations, in the Lake County Law Library, including necessary equipment and infrastructure improvements. One station will meet ADA requirements. Zoom stations create a quiet and private space for self-represented litigants to access their Zoom remote court hearing.
- The Illinois Court Technology Modernization Program funding period is March 7, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of Illinois has provided a Court Technology Modernization Program Funding Agreement totaling \$1,027,412.64 to the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Court Technology Modernization Program will provide new equipment and infrastructure enhancements to the 19th Judicial Circuit Court and Law Library that will offer additional services benefiting the court, court users and justice partners; and

WHEREAS, Additional court technology equipment will include mobile kiosks and bench

monitors to enhance the use of the new Integrated Case Management System (ICMS) and provide for in-court preparation of electronic documents and paperless processing; and

WHEREAS, Provide for a Digital Evidence Management tool that allows for a secure electronic exchange and access of digital evidence between the judge and litigants, including video and body camera recordings, whether in the courtroom or a remote location; and

WHEREAS, These funds will also facilitate upgrades to existing infrastructure (power and data cabling and connections inside courtrooms) at the Center Courthouse providing for enhanced audio-visual performance for all participants, whether in the courtroom or proceeding in hybrid mode (litigants in-person and virtual), as well as assist the Center Courthouse to become capable of electronic court reporting in the future; and

WHEREAS, Funds will also support the purchase and installation of 15 permanent modular workstations, Zoom Stations, in the Lake County Law Library, including necessary equipment and infrastructure improvements. One station will meet ADA requirements. Zoom stations create a quiet and private space for self-represented litigants to access their Zoom remote court hearing; and

WHEREAS, an emergency appropriation of \$1,027,412.64 is requested to allocate these funds into the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit county Fiscal Year 2022 budget and authorize acceptance of this grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the County Board authorizes an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$1,027,412.64 to implement the Funding Agreement of the Supreme Court of Illinois Court Technology Modernization Program for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit for the period of March 7, 2022 through June 30, 2022; and

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on April 12, 2022.