

Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing, acceptance of an award with the Illinois Department of Transportation for a Local Alcohol Program (LAP) grant in the amount of \$60,488.92 for Fiscal Year 2023.

- The Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) has applied for and been awarded the LAP Grant.
- This grant will allow for one sergeant who is certified as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) to
 provide training after normal business hours to police officers, Judges, Village Prosecutors,
 and Assistant State's Attorneys on Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) refresher courses,
 Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) courses and DRE courses. The
 grant period is from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.
- This grant reimburses the sergeant's overtime wage costs and indirect costs on direct salary and wage excluding fringe and will reimburse course and travel expenses for the sergeant's recertification costs as a DRE.
- The main objective of the grant is to provide training to other justice partners with drug-related impairment enforcement and prosecution.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, with the decriminalization of cannabis, prescription drug abuse, and the ongoing opioid epidemic, drug related impairments are more difficult for an officer to recognize without proper foundational training; and,

WHEREAS, in the State of Illinois, the average Delta-9-THC concentration of cannabis and cannabis-infused products continues to increase which results in increased impairment to users who ultimately operate vehicles on the roadway; and,

WHEREAS, fatal traffic crashes have significantly increased in Illinois by 27 percent from 2016, the year in which cannabis was decriminalized for recreational use, to 2020; and,

WHEREAS, primary objectives of accepting this grant are to provide training after normal business hours to 400 police officers, as many Judges, Village Prosecutors and Assistant State's Attorneys on Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) refresher courses, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) courses and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) courses and for recertification of one sergeant as a DRE officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Lake County Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept the FY 2023 Illinois Department of

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Transportation LAP Grant in the amount of \$60,488.92.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on September 13, 2022.