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**Larry Suffredin**Commissioner – 13<sup>th</sup> District Cook County Board of Commissioners

DATE:

January 20, 2015

TO:

Cook County Commissioners

FROM:

Commissioner Suffredin

RE:

Backup for January 20, 2015 Legislation and Intergovernmental Affairs

Committee Meeting

Attached please find the backup material for the January 20, 2015 meeting of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

Please contact me at 312-603-6383 if you have any questions.



# Esther E. Franco-Payne

## Relevant Experience

Program Director - Metropolis Strategies (formerly Chicago Metropolis 2020), Chicago, IL 01/07 - Present

- Collaborates with community and systems stakeholders to increase public awareness about the treatment of and resources for childhood exposure to trauma and violence
- Works with statewide and local stakeholders to improve outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system by increasing
  the variety and quality of services through advocacy and collaboration, as part of Models for Change, Balanced and
  Restorative Justice, Redeploy Illinois, Gender-Effective Responsiveness, and Reduction of Disproportionate Minority
  Contact
- Assists with the development of policies and practices for community-based alternatives to incarceration for both youth and adults
- Advocates for culture change and increased programming within the Illinois Department of Corrections for adult
  prisoners through legislative activities and public awareness

Cook County Councils Coordinator - Cook County Family Violence Coordinating Councils, Chicago, IL 5/02-12/06

- Worked with the Office of the Chief Judge and Cook County Chairperson to provide programming and technical support for the Family Violence Coordinating Councils within metropolitan Chicago and five suburban municipal districts
- Partnered with Presiding Judges to coordinate committee work focused on educating court personnel, community
  organizations and residents around the issue of family violence (intimate partner abuse, child abuse, teen dating violence,
  elder abuse), and to establish and maintain council goals
- Planned and implemented countywide educational training such as symposiums and conferences
- Oversaw budget and completed programming reports for state review

Youth Development Coordinator - Illinois Center for Violence Prevention, Chicago, IL 12/99-05/02

- Organized statewide Youth Advisory Board engaged in grant-making for youth-led violence prevention efforts
- Provided technical assistance and training for statewide grant program Safe to Learn
- Conducted training and events for youth and adults throughout Illinois on topics of youth development and violence prevention
- Developed curricula focused on best practices in youth leadership
- Participated in networking and advocacy efforts with youth organizations across the state

### **Professional Activities**

Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission - Communications Committee Co-chair (appointed by Governor Quinn 12/10)
An appointed body charged with advising the Governor on juvenile justice issues and administering federal funding

Illinois Juvenile Crime Enforcement Committee (appointed 03/11)

Oversees effective use and distribution of the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG funds)

CARE: Community Antiviolence and Restoration Effort (11/11 - Present)

Committee charged with creating a city-wide anti-violence strategy which increases community-based prevention and intervention opportunities for youth

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's Public Safety Transition Team (appointed 03/11 - 06/11)

Participated on committee to produce public safety recommendations for the Mayor -elect

Census 2010 - Ex-Offender Committee Co-chair (appointed by Mayor Daley 01/10)

Facilitated committee process to engage ex-offenders in completing the 2010 US Census

North Lawndale Employment Network - Board Secretary (01/08 - 06/11)

Participated on Board of Directors for NLEN which provides employment services for people with criminal records

Certified Advancing Youth Development Facilitator

Contracted with Chicago Area Project to provide Youth Development Training for delegate agencies and city youth workers

Community Panels for Youth (2005)

Volunteered for the Northwestern Law Clinic Juvenile Restorative Justice Program to empower young people involved in the juvenile justice system

Teen Dating Vlolence Stakeholders Committee (2004-2006)

Participated on statewide committee focused on providing education and networking for professionals in the area of teen dating violence

## **Education and Certifications**

The University of Chicago - School of Social Service Administration, Chicago, IL Master of Arts, Social Work, June 1999 Certified Type 73 - School Social Work

Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, May 1996

Chicago Youth Agency Partnership, Chicago, IL Trained Facilitator - Advancing Youth Development, August 1999 / September 2003

Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network, Chicago, IL 40- Hour Domestic Violence Training, November 2002