



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ARPA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTED BY THE JUSTICE ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the federal government authorized the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) which includes \$1.9 trillion in federal stimulus funds to hasten the United States’ recovery from the economic and health effects caused by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the federal government has authorized and allocated a federal award of approximately \$1,000,372,385 of ARPA funding to Cook County to assist the County in its recovery from the economic and health effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021, the Cook County American Rescue Plan Act Framework (the “ARPA Framework”) was presented to the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners via Resolution 21-3654 accepted the ARPA federal award allocated to Cook County to assist the County in its recovery from the economic and health effects of COVID-19 in the amount of approximately \$1,000,372,385.00; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 21-3654 further authorized the Cook County Budget Director and Comptroller to create and implement a Special Purpose Fund for the ARPA award and other accounting measures to track the acceptance and spending of the federal award; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Director, Chief Procurement Officer and applicable using agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for ARPA programs approved via Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637; and

WHEREAS, to further the Policy Roadmap Goal, the Justice Advisory Council has developed a menu of Safe and Thriving Community programs and initiatives which have undergone review and approval through the Project Management Office process to utilize ARPA funding for such an initiative pursuant to the issuance of grants, contracts, and agreements; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2023, the Cook County board of Commissioners approved Resolution #23-4944, Proposed Resolution for ARPA Domestic Violence Intervention and Support Services Initiative Implemented by the Justice Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, at the time of resolution #23-4944 JAC was able to commit \$4,834,344 out of a total of \$5,000,000, leaving sufficient funding to make another award; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby acknowledges the issuance of the following agreement by the Justice Advisory Council as follows:

- Enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with Family Rescue in an aggregate amount of up to \$\$165,655.90 to implement the Domestic Violence Intervention and Support Services Grant - ARPA Initiative NT514, a program where Family Rescue will provide culturally sensitive, trauma-informed, client-centered counseling and support groups for adults, children, and youth, as well as parenting and substance abuse support groups. Additional services

include shelter, legal advocacy, non-residential counseling, and supportive housing assistance.