

## Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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## PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

**Department:** Cook County Justice Advisory Council

Grantee: Cook County Justice Advisory Council

**Grantor:** Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: The purpose of the grant is to support summer employment opportunities for high-risk and court-involved

suburban youth of Cook County.

**Grant Amount:** \$566,400.00

**Grant Period:** 6/1/2014 - 9/30/2014

**Fiscal Impact:** \$150,000.00

**Accounts:** 499-298

## **Concurrences:**

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The Cook County Justice Advisory Council (JAC) seeks to sub-contract with the South-Southwest Suburban United Way to employ 194 at-risk youth, with a specific focus on the recruitment and employment of court-involved and youth on probation. The JAC will target youth of suburban Cook County, with recruitment strategies specifically targeting youth from the most disadvantaged municipalities. In accordance with the grant requirements, we will employ youth between the ages of 14 to 18 years of age for youth positions and 19 years and older for youth supervisors. There will be 174 youth worker positions at a rate of \$9/hour, and 20 supervisor positions (one supervisor for every ten youth workers) at \$12/hour. All youth staff employed under this grant will complete 320 hours of conservation or recreational work over the course of 60 days of summer employment beginning in June 2014 through August 2014. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources will cover all of the youth wages in the amount of \$566,400, the remaining program costs will be covered by County Match funds in the amount of \$150,000.