

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Department of Animal and Rabies Control

Grantee: Evanston Animal Shelter and South Suburban Humane Society

Grantor: Department of Animal and Rabies Control

Request: Authorization to issue grant

Purpose: Pursuant to Section 10-6 (d) of the Cook County Code, the Department of Animal and Rabies Control is authorized to issue grants for "private or public entity capital needs to impound and/or care for stray animals."

Grant Amount: \$8 million total; to be divided as follows:

• Evanston Animal Shelter - \$2,000,000

• South Suburban Humane Society - \$6,000,000

Grant Period: 12/1/2020 - 11/30/2023

Fiscal Impact: \$8,000,000.00 (Use of excess Special Purpose Fund)

Accounts: 11312

Summary: On 11/1/2019, ARC issued a call for applications for its "A Home for Cook County's Animal Program." After an extensive application and review process, the ARC proposes funding the following two proposals:

- \$2 million to the City of Evanston
- \$6 million to the South Suburban Humane Society

Each grantee will enter into a contract to house any animals impounded by Animal and Rabies Control. The Department impounds approximately 350 animals per year. By having a shelter in both Northern and Southern Cook County, the Department will ensure that the sheltering needs for Cook County outside the City of Chicago addressed.

The Department will return to the Board at a later date for the approval of each agreement.