



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Office of the Chief Judge

Grantee: Office of the Chief Judge

Grantor: Office of Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Cook County Justice for Family Project is to improve the response of the civil and criminal justice system to families with a history of domestic violence.

Grant Amount: \$650,000.00

Grant Period: 10/1/2020-9/30/2023

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: N/A

Concurrences:

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

Summary: Circuit Court of Cook County utilizes the funds to 1) provide supervised visitation and safe exchange services; 2) create a Case Management/Resource Liaison position housed at the courthouse to explain available supervised visitation services to court litigants and judges and connect victims to legal and advocacy services; and 3) provide legal advice and assistance preparing motions for pro se litigants in collaboration with Loyola University Chicago, Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women Network, and the Center for Advancing Domestic Peace.