

RESOLUTION

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LIVINGSTON COUNTY

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**Resolution Authorizing the Livingston County Juvenile Court to Apply for and Accept Funding from the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office Child Welfare Services Division, Court Improvement Program (CIP) COVID-19 Supplement Grant – Juvenile Court**

**WHEREAS,** the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office Child Welfare Services Division (SCAO-CWS), is a federally-funded program available to each State's highest court that is designed to improve the quality and depth of child protective proceedings; and

**WHEREAS,** the U.S. Congress has granted one-time supplemental funding to SCAO-CWS to address the unique challenges facing juvenile courts stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that the safety, permanency and well-being needs of children in foster care are met in a timely manner; and

**WHEREAS,** the SCAO-CWS has, in turn, invited juvenile courts to apply for a one-time mini-grant not to exceed \$30,000 per court; and

**WHEREAS,** the Livingston County Juvenile Court will propose four mini-projects to SCAO-CWS: providing internet access to families; compensating attorneys for out of court client meetings and providing ancillary legal service; providing additional Bailiff/Court Security hours to support the mobile courtroom and expanding the Court Appointed Special Advocates program; and

**WHEREAS,** the Juvenile Court is seeking approval to apply for and accept the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office Child Welfare Services Division, Court Improvement Program COVID-19 supplement grant in an amount not to exceed of \$30,000 for the period of January 1, 2022 – September 30, 2022, liquidated by December 30, 2022. This grant does not require a county match.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Juvenile Court to apply for, and if awarded, accept the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office Child Welfare Services Division, Court Improvement Program COVID-19 supplement grant in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon award of this funding the Chairperson of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign an amendment to the contract with LACASA for Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Services (Resolution 2019-08-116) in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to expand the CASA program for the period of January 1, 2022 - September 30, 2022 upon review and / or preparation of Civil Counsel.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairperson of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all forms, assurances, contracts, agreements, future amendments for monetary and contract language adjustments and supporting documents related to the above upon review and / or preparation of Civil Counsel.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize any budget amendment to effectuate the above.

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