

RESOLUTION

NO: 2023-03-037

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: March 27, 2023

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**Resolution Authorizing Applying for and Accepting the FY 2024 Grant with the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC) Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) to Provide Funding to Comply with the Michigan Indigent Defense Act - Public Defender**

**WHEREAS,** Livingston County will be provided funding to assist with compliance of the Michigan Indigent Defense Act; and

**WHEREAS,** consistent with the Act, an indigent criminal defense system shall be in compliance with the minimum standards established by the MIDC, within 180 days after receiving funds; and

**WHEREAS,** contingent upon the terms of the agreement which include the timely submission of quarterly Financial Status Reports (FSRs), reporting of progress on compliance with standards and participation in Compliance Plan audits, follow up ,and evaluation activities, Livingston County will receive \$2,282,233.33 in grant funds in accordance with the payment schedule; and

**WHEREAS,** the required local contribution from Livingston County for this grant period is \$944,189.67; and

**WHEREAS,** the proposed plan includes 6 new positions (4 Attornies, 1 Paralegal and 1 Administrative Specialist); and

**WHEREAS,** the total authorized budget for this grant is \$3,226,423 which consists of the \$2,282,233.33 of Grant Funds and \$944,189.67 of required local contribution for the grant period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Livingston County Public Defender's Office to apply for and accept state financial assistance of \$2,282,233.33 in funding from the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission to assist with the compliance of the Michigan Indigent Defense Act to provide indigent criminal defense services for the period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners authorize any budget amendments/transfers to effectuate the above.

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