

## Kane County

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## **Legislation Text**

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## AUTHORIZING THE USE OF STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO FUND THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING BRIDGE PROJECT FOR ELGIN TOWNSHIP AND THE ELGIN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA") to provide economic relief to State, Local, and Tribal governments responding to economic and public health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the County of Kane has received a total of \$103,413,041 (One Hundred Three Million, Four Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Forty-One Dollars) from the United States Department of the Treasury, in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF") pursuant to ARPA, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ARPA and the administrative regulations adopted by the United States Department of the Treasury ("Final Rule"), the County of Kane shall use SLFRF to defray costs associated with its response to the COVID-19 pandemic within the County, to address the economic fallout from the pandemic, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 21-313, the Kane County Board has established the American Rescue Plan Committee ("ARPC") as a resource for research, education, planning, and recommendations for the best allocation and uses of the County's SLFRF; and

WHEREAS, Elgin Township and the Elgin Township Community Mental Health Board have made a request in the amount of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) of SLFRF to fund the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project for the purpose of responding to the COVID-19 public emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project will address the overwhelming community needs and help community partners chip away at the long waiting lists of Elgin Township residents who are seeking services for mental health, substance use, and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project will primarily include increased professional services and programming, as local service agencies have raised the long waiting lists for services, and increased Township funding will help allow for the expanded provision of direct and indirect services so that as close to "all" (as possible) residents of Elgin Township who are in need of mental health care will be able to receive some level of service and not be excluded because of any inability to pay; and

WHEREAS, to assist the County in determining whether the project is an eligible use of SLFRF under ARPA, the Final Rule, and the related guidance issued by the United States Department of the Treasury, the ARPC consultant, Ernst and Young, has reviewed the Elgin Township's request for SLFRF for the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project for the purpose of responding to the COVID-19 public emergency and providing government services and completed an assessment regarding the project's eligibility (see Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the ARPC recommends that the Kane County Board authorizes the use SLFRF in the amount of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) to fund the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project for Elgin Township and the Elgin Township Community Mental Health Board, to be spent during the ARPA period of performance and in accordance with the ARPA, the Final Rule and related guidance issued by the United States Department of the Treasury, and any other Federal, State or local laws and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Kane County Board hereby authorizes the use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) to fund the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project for Elgin Township and the Elgin Township Community Mental Health Board, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the Final Rule, and related guidance issued by the United States Department of the Treasury, and any other Federal, State or local laws and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kane County Board that the Kane County Board Chairman is authorized and directed to execute an intergovernmental agreement, in the form attached as an Exhibit to this Resolution, to allow for the funding of eligible uses of the County's State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds by Elgin Township and the Elgin Township Community Mental Health Board for the Community Mental Health Funding Bridge project, in the amount of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kane County Board that the following adjustment be made to the Fiscal Year 2024 budget:

355.800.668234.55010

External

Grants

\$500,000

355.800.668.85000

Allowance for Budget Expense

(\$500,000)

Line Item: See Above

Line Item Description: See Above

Was Personnel/Item/Service approved in original budget or a subsequent budget revision? No Are funds currently available for this Personnel/Item/Service in the specific line item? Yes If funds are not currently available in the specified line item, where are the funds available? See Above

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Passed by the Kane County Board on June 11, 2024.

John A. Cunningham, MBA, JD, JD Clerk, County Board Kane County, Illinois Corinne M. Pierog MA, MBA Chairman, County Board Kane County, Illinois

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