



Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

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County Executive

October 8, 2021

To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Department of Health for the Local Health Department Support for the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Department of Health in an amount not to exceed \$1,718,260 for the Local Health Department Support for the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Program for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

The purpose of this grant is to promote and increase COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccine uptake and to increase accessibility for people with disabilities and other underserved populations. The funds will be used to support existing staff participation in the program, for a nursing services contract, for program expenses, and to purchase promotional publications, medical supplies, and equipment to expand and enhance COVID-19 vaccine outreach and mass vaccination activities. This is the first year the County has received this grant.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,718,260 from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Department of Health for the Local Health Department Support for the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Program for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.
2. Amend the 2021 operating budget of the Department of Public Health by appropriating the sum of \$1,718,260 into general fund 9300, funds center 5801090100 Pandemic Response.
3. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, and to make any necessary funding modifications within grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.
4. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

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This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Department of Health. No net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,


Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive

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