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

Subject: Acceptance of a Grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the District Attorney's Office, the Office of the Sheriff, and the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections, for the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Partnership

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of District Attorney Sandra Doorley and Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$2,912,967 for the District Attorney's Office, the Office of the Sheriff, and the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections for the Gun Involved Violence Elimination ("GIVE") Partnership for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

This project provides resources enabling the Monroe County law enforcement community to target violent criminals and those possessing weapons in a coordinated effort to reduce violent crime in Monroe County. The primary goals of this partnership are to support targeted firearm and violent crime reduction efforts within Monroe County and to increase the solvability of non-fatal bullet-to-body shooting cases in the City of Rochester by working in tandem with the Rochester Police Department from the onset of each investigation. This is the tenth year the County has received this grant. This year's funding represents an increase of \$1,701,292 from last year.

Funds will be used specifically to help support the following programs in the following departments:

- District Attorney's Office: Supports eight (8) existing Assistant District Attorney positions (50%) assigned to prosecute violent felons and criminals possessing illegal weapons; four (4) Assistant District Attorney positions (100%), two (2) District Attorney Investigator positions (100%), one (1) Victim Witness Advocate (100%), and one (1) Criminal Law Assistant (100%) to comprehensively investigate and prosecute non-fatal bullet-to-body shootings; and provides the Boys and Girls Clubs of Rochester, Inc. with an \$8,000 sub grant to continue its Street SMART Program.
- Sheriff's Office: Supports existing Sheriff's Criminal Investigator (50%) and Jail Deputy (100%) as well as new Road Patrol Deputy (100%) and underwrites part of the overtime costs of the Office of the Sheriff's participation in joint anti-crime efforts and community engagement details with the other GIVE agency partners.

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- Office of Probation and Community Corrections: Supports the cost of an existing Senior Probation Officer (95%), a Probation Officer for Nightwatch/Gun Part (95%), supports Cognitive Behavioral Interventions designed for high risk offenders, enhanced electronic monitoring capability, and underwrites the overtime costs of the Office of Probation and Community Corrections' participation in joint anti-crime efforts with the other GIVE agency partners.

The funding amounts are as follows: \$1,458,188 for the District Attorney's Office, \$499,779 for the Office of the Sheriff, and \$955,000 for the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections.

The specific legislative actions required are:

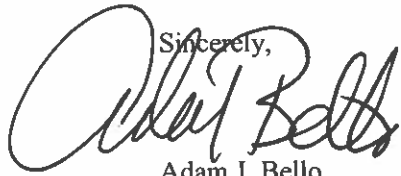
1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$2,912,967 grant from, and to execute contracts and any amendments thereto with, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Partnership for the District Attorney's Office, the Office of the Sheriff, and the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections, for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
2. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the District Attorney's Office by appropriating the sum of \$1,161,614 into general fund 9300, funds center 2508010000, Major Felony Bureau.
3. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the Office of the Sheriff by appropriating the sum of \$370,911 into general fund 9300, funds center 3803010000, Police Bureau Administration.
4. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections by appropriating the sum of \$829,257 into general fund 9300, funds center 2403050000, Special Services Intensive Supervision.
5. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to create four (4) new Special Assistant District Attorney positions, Group 21, one (1) new Road Patrol Deputy, Group 70, in the Sheriff's Office; one (1) Assistant Probation Director, Group 20, one (1) Probation Supervisor, Group 18, and one (1) Senior Probation Officer, Group 37, in the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections.
6. 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 the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.
7. 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.

This 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 review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Partial funding for this grant is included in the 2023 operating budget of the District Attorney's Office, general fund 9300, funds center 2508010000, Major Felony Bureau, Office of the Sheriff, general fund 9300, funds center 3803010000, Police Bureau Administration, and the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections, general fund 9300, funds center 2403050000, Special Services Intensive Supervision. The appropriated amount will adjust the current funding to that established by the grant.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. 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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