Office of the County Executive
Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

March 16, 2022

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

Subject: Amend Resolution 93 of 2021 as Amended by Resolution 4 of 2022 to Accept Additional Funding from the United States Department of the Treasury for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, Monroe County Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 93 of 2021 as amended by Resolution 4 of 2022 to accept additional funding from the United States Department of the Treasury ("Treasury"), in the amount of $1,241,798.43, for the Emergency Rental Assistance program, Monroe County Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 for the period of January 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

Monroe County established its Eviction Prevention Pilot 2.0 program after an initial award of $15,900,965.70 from the Treasury under its Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA1) program. Subsequently, a second award by the Treasury of $455,503.19 was received from a reallocation of unspent awards made to other governments. The Treasury continues to monitor actual spending of ERA1 awards and has offered municipalities the opportunity to apply for a second round of reallocated funds. Monroe County applied for reallocated funding and has been granted an additional $1,241,798.43 bringing the total ERA1 funding award to $17,598,267.32.

Monroe County’s Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 is also funded by the City’s ERA1 allocation of $6,101,213.50 that was subsequently transferred to the County, and by a second iteration of the Treasury’s Emergency Rental Assistance program, ERA2. Under ERA2, Monroe County received $22,050,597.30 (combined City and County allocations), which must be fully obligated by September 30, 2025. With this second round of reallocated funding just awarded, the combined ERA1 and ERA2 funding for the Eviction Prevention Pilot Initiative 2.0 is now a total of $45,750,078.12.

The specific legislative actions required are to:

1. Amend Resolution 93 of 2021 as amended by Resolution 4 of 2022 to accept additional funding from the United States Department of the Treasury in the amount of $1,241,798.43 for a total award of $17,598,267.32.
2. Amend the 2022 operating budget of the Department of Finance by appropriating the sum of $1,241,798.43, into general fund 9001, funds center 1209070200, Emergency Rental Assistance.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to §6 NYCRR 617.5(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 United States Department of the Treasury. No net County support is required in the Monroe County budget.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Monroe County Executive

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Subject: Amend the 2022 Operating Budget to Appropriate Fund Balance for the Purpose of Contracting for Public Benefit Services

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2022 operating budget to appropriate fund balance in the amount of $200,000 from the general fund to the Youth Bureau in order to contract with the following non-profit organizations for the purpose of preventing cruelty to children in accordance with County Law § 224(4).

Organization

Celebration of Life Community, Inc. $20,000
Ibero-American Action League, Inc. $20,000
Mentors Inspiring Boys & Girls, Inc. $20,000
Roc Royal, Inc. $20,000
Rochester Area Community Foundation Initiatives, Inc. on behalf Greater Rochester After-School & Summer Alliance $20,000
Skating Institute of Rochester, Inc. $20,000
Southwest Area Neighborhood Association Inc. $20,000
The Reentry & Community Development Center, Inc. $20,000
Upstate New York American Youth Football & Cheer Inc. $20,000
19th Ward Association on behalf of the 19th Ward Spelling Bee $20,000

Total $200,000
Pursuant to the requirements of County Law § 224, such contracts shall require the rendering of a verified account of the disbursements with verified or certified vouchers therefor attached and a refund of any unused amount.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2022 operating budget to appropriate fund balance in the amount of $200,000 into the Department of Human Services, Division of the Youth Bureau, general fund 9001, funds center 5603010000 Youth Contracts.

2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to enter into contracts in the amount of $20,000 with the following non-profit organizations for the purpose of preventing cruelty to children in accordance with County Law § 224(4): Celebration of Life Community, Inc.; Ibero American Action League, Inc.; Mentors Inspiring Boys & Girls, Inc.; Reentry & Community Development Center, Inc.; Roc Royal, Inc.; Rochester Area Community Foundation Initiatives, Inc.; Skating Institute of Rochester, Inc.; Southwest Area Neighborhood Association; Upstate New York American Football & Cheer Inc.; and 19th Ward Association on behalf of the 19th Ward Spelling Bee. Such contracts shall require the rendering of a verified account of the disbursements with verified or certified vouchers therefor attached and a refund of any unused amount, in accordance with the requirements of County Law § 224.

This appropriation of fund balance will have no net impact on the revenues or expenses in the current Monroe County budget.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(21) ("minor temporary uses of land having negligible or no permanent impact on the environment") and (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.

Celebration of Life Community, Inc.; Ibero American Action League, Inc.; Mentors Inspiring Boys & Girls, Inc.; Reentry & Community Development Center, Inc.; Roc Royal, Inc.; Rochester Area Community Foundation Initiatives, Inc.; Skating Institute of Rochester, Inc.; Southwest Area Neighborhood Association; Upstate New York American Football & Cheer Inc.; and 19th Ward Association are not-for-profit agencies and the records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that they do not owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

Sincerely,

Sabrina LaMar
Monroe County Legislature
President