



Office of Children and Family Services

KATHY HOCHUL
Governor

SHEILA J. POOLE
Commissioner

October 17, 2022

Dear Chief Executive Officer,

Thank you for submitting Albany County's Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program (STSJP) plan for Program Year (PY) 2022-2023. Your plan has been reviewed by the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), and we are pleased to inform you that your STSJP plan has been **approved**.

Please note that this approval does not extend to the amount listed for the STSJP-RTA programming. Upon NYS DOB approval, OCFS will send out a revised STSJP approval letter reflecting the STSJP-RTA programming amount approved by NYS DOB for 2022-2023 as applicable.

Albany County is eligible to receive 62% State reimbursement for STSJP expenditures up to the capped STSJP allocation amount. Your municipality will continue to receive 49% State reimbursement for eligible non-Raise The age detention services expenditures up to the capped allocation amount. If your municipality shifts a portion of its detention allocation into its STSJP plan, your municipality will receive 62% State reimbursement, up to the capped allocation, if such shifted funds are spent on STSJP eligible expenditures. A municipality may make a detention allocation shift at the time of the STSJP plan submission or up until June 30, 2023, unless otherwise approved by the Office of Children and Family Services.

If the County plans to shift its detention allocation for STSJP eligible expenses, please submit a request on official letterhead to Lynn Tubbs and email it to stsjp@ocfs.ny.gov outlining

1. the amount that will be shifted and
2. the type of programming or services the re-purposed detention funds will be used for under STSJP

Once the shift is approved, an amended STSJP plan will need to be submitted.

As a reminder, to access RTA reimbursement for which a municipality may be eligible, the expenditures must be specifically included in a locality's comprehensive RTA plan and approved by the NYS Division of Budget.

All STSJP claims must be submitted electronically via the Juvenile Detention Automated System (JDAS) for the service period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. Questions on all aspects of the claiming process should be directed to the STSJP mailbox at stsjp@ocfs.ny.gov with the subject line "STSJP Claiming questions".

If you have any STSJP plan questions, please also email us at stsjp@ocfs.ny.gov and write "STSJP Plan Questions" in the subject line or reach out to Geneva Hilliard at (518) 486-1819 or Lynn Tubbs at (518) 473-9116.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we reform the juvenile justice practices in New York State by safely engaging youth and their families through innovative programming to reduce out of home placement and detention of youth.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nina Aledort', with a stylized, flowing script.

Nina Aledort, PhD
Deputy Commissioner

cc: Sharon Devine, OCFS Deputy Commissioner for Administration
Lynn Tubbs, Director of Cross-System Supports, YDAPS
OCFS Child Welfare and Community Services Regional Office Directors
Municipality STSJP Lead