



# County of Albany

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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-2561, **Version:** 1

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### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

**Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):**

Contract Authorization for Social Services (Emergency Solutions Grant)

Date: 6/24/2021  
Submitted By: Joseph DeAngelis  
Department: Social Services  
Title: Contract Administrator  
Phone: 518-447-7583  
Department Rep.  
Attending Meeting: Michele G. McClave

**Purpose of Request:**

- ☐ Adopting of Local Law
- ☐ Amendment of Prior Legislation
- ☐ Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure
- ☐ Bond Approval
- ☐ Budget Amendment
- ☒ Contract Authorization
- ☐ Countywide Services
- ☐ Environmental Impact/SEQR
- ☐ Home Rule Request
- ☐ Property Conveyance
- ☐ Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

**CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

**Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):**

- ☐ Contractual
- ☐ Equipment
- ☐ Fringe
- ☐ Personnel
- ☐ Personnel Non-Individual

☐ Revenue

Increase Account/Line No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Source of Funds: Click or tap here to enter text.

Title Change: Click or tap here to enter text.

### **CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS**

#### **Type of Contract:**

☐ Change Order/Contract Amendment

☐ Purchase (Equipment/Supplies)

☐ Lease (Equipment/Supplies)

☐ Requirements

☒ Professional Services

☐ Education/Training

☐ Grant

Choose an item.

Submission Date Deadline Click or tap to enter a date.

☐ Settlement of a Claim

☐ Release of Liability

☐ Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

#### **Contract Terms/Conditions:**

Party (Name/address):

CARES, Inc.

200 Henry Johnson Blvd, Albany NY 12210

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$140,000

Scope of Services: The Emergency Solutions Grant Program is designed specifically to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus, among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impact created by Covid-19. The services provided include emergency shelter and support services for Covid infected or quarantined homeless.

Bond Res. No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

### **CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS**

Mandated Program/Service: Yes ☐ No ☒

If Mandated Cite Authority: Click or tap here to enter text.

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes ☒ No ☐County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: AA 6010.0.3605

Revenue Amount: \$140,000

Appropriation Account and Line: AA6010.4.4448

Appropriation Amount: \$140,000

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: 100%

State:

County:

Local:

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

Length of Contract: 12 Months

Impact on Pending LitigationYes ☐ No ☒If yes, explain: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:Resolution/Law Number: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)Date of Adoption: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)**Justification:** (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

CARES, Inc. has entered into an agreement with the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for ESG services and wishes to subcontract with Albany County Department of Social Services (DSS) to utilize DSS personnel and expertise to serve 275 homeless individuals/families. Therefore, authorization is requested to contract with CARES, Inc. to perform ESG services in the amount of \$140,000.

The contract supports DSS in efforts to manage homeless persons who are COVID infected or exposed to the virus and are under quarantine. Funds will reimburse DSS to provide these persons with a safe and healthy place to stay away from others as well as food and case management to assist them in following quarantine or isolation orders. The program protects other homeless individuals in shelters by removing COVID+ or potentially COVID+ homeless from congregate shelters during their quarantine period. The ongoing requirement to maintain social distancing and to shelter COVID+ in hotels/motels for their isolation/quarantine period will need to continue to help reduce significant outbreaks in our homeless shelters especially in regards to additional COVID surges and alternate strains.

Reimbursement will be provided for emergency shelter services, motel stays, food, and transportation for homeless individuals who are required to isolate due to a COVID+ test result or have a quarantine order from public health. The contract also includes overtime costs for DSS staff who work nights and weekends to assist with sheltering homeless COVID+ individuals and homeless individuals who needed to be quarantined due to COVID exposure. As homeless individuals have lower vaccination rates, there will be an ongoing requirement to maintain social distancing and to shelter COVID+ in hotels/motels for their isolation/quarantine period in order to help reduce outbreaks in our homeless

shelters especially in regards to additional COVID surges and alternate strains.

ESG Funds will target homeless families and single individuals being temporarily housed in emergency shelters, motels and transitional housing programs due to the Covid epidemic.