



County of Albany

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Legislation Text

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REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Authorize a second grant award to Colonie EMS

The Department of Mental Health requests permission to award \$175,000 in Opioid Settlement Funding to Colonie EMS to support staff retention, increase the number of trained paramedics serving Albany County and increase awareness of substance use, mental health and harm reduction.

Date:	4/5/2024
Submitted By:	Adam Kirkman
Department:	Department of Mental Health
Title:	Special Projects Coordinator (Opioids)
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Department Rep.	
Attending Meeting:	Stephen Giordano Ph.D. and Adam Kirkman

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.: A94320.44489.OSF07.Colonie EMS II / \$175,000.00
Source of Funds: Albany County Opioid Settlement Fund
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

New

Submission Date Deadline 3/8/2024

- 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):

Robbie MacCue, Assistant Chief
Colonie EMS
312 Wolf Road
Latham, NY 12110

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$175,000
Scope of Services: Over the next three years, Colonie EMS will use the approved funds to support staff retention, increase the number of trained paramedics serving Albany County and increase awareness of substance use, mental health and harm reduction.

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: A34320.037350.OSF07
Revenue Amount: \$175,000

Appropriation Account and Line: A94320.44489.OSF07
Appropriation Amount: \$175,000

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.
State: Click or tap here to enter text.
County: 100%
Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Original Awarding Agency / Funder:

NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports
New York State Pass-Through Agency (if applicable):
Albany County Department of Mental Health

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 6/1/2024-5/31/2027
Length of Contract: 3 Years

Impact on Pending Litigation

Yes 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)

Albany County Mental Health made a portion of the County's Opioid Settlement Funds available to community providers through an RFP process. Agencies and community organizations were permitted to propose initiatives focused on opioid use disorder prevention, treatment or recovery, as well as supportive services such as housing and transportation. Colonie EMS' project was selected for funding through an informed review process and will be implemented over the next three years.

EMS workers are on the front line of the war against opioids, but, as with other first responders, there has been significant staff turnover in recent years. Colonie EMS will use these funds to maintain trained EMS workers on staff and to support at least one EMS worker in receiving training to become a paramedic. Training will be provided to all EMS workers and paramedics on co-occurring mental health and substance use

disorders to reduce stigma and unconscious bias.