



# County of Albany

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NY 12207

## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-3787, **Version:** 1

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### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Requesting Legislative Approval to Accept funds acquired through the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction Grant

Date:	11/3/2022
Submitted By:	Aliyah McFarlane
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Title:	Policy Analyst
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Department Rep.	Aliyah McFarlane
Attending Meeting:	Aliyah McFarlane and Thomas DeBose

#### 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) To accept and utilize the funds received from the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction Grant. The amount being awarded to Albany County is \$750,000 (\$250,000 per year for three years).

#### 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: NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services  
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

Acceptance

Submission Date Deadline 9/14/2022

- ☐ 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):**

Office of Indigent Legal Services  
Alfred E. Smith Bldg., 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
80 South Swan Street  
Albany, NY 12210

##### **Additional Parties (Names/addresses):**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee:** \$750,000 over a 3-year period

**Scope of Services:** These grant funds will be utilized to hire an attorney for the Public Defender's Office, a Social Worker for the Conflict Defender's Office as well as develop an expert/ investigative services for Family Court matter. These funds will allow for an expansion of services and reduce caseloads of Family Court Attorneys

**Bond Res. No.:** Reso 22-371  
**Date of Adoption:** 10/11/2022

**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: Click or tap here to enter text.  
Revenue Amount: Click or tap here to enter text.

Appropriation Account and Line: Click or tap here to enter text.  
Appropriation Amount: Click or tap here to enter text.

Source of Funding - (Percentages)  
Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.  
State: 100%  
County: Click or tap here to enter text.  
Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Term  
Term: (Start and end date) February 1, 2023- January 31, 2026  
Length of Contract: 36 Months

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)

These State issued funds will be utilized to improve the quality of representation provided by the Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office and Assigned Counsel to parent(s) accused of child maltreatment who cannot afford to retain counsel. There is no match for this grant.