



# County of Albany

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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-2331, **Version:** 1

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### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Contract Authorization for Social Services (Altamont Program)

Date: 2/24/2021  
Submitted By: Joseph J 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):

The Altamont Program

428 Duane Ave., Schenectady, N.Y. 12304

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$1,300,000

Scope of Services: Emergency and transitional shelter for homeless households (primarily families) on a room and board basis (up to 60 rooms). Case management is provided to facilitate family/individual placement in permanent housing or other approved congregate facilities.

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: 18 NYCRR 352.8

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐

Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes ☒ No ☐

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: AA6109 04609 AA6140 03640 AA6142 03642

Revenue Amount: \$1,025,666.00 \$48,021.00 \$54,373.00

Appropriation Account and Line: AA6109 44046 AA6140 44046 AA6142 44046

Appropriation Amount: \$1,025,666.00 \$165,589.00 \$108,745.00

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: 79%

State: 8%

County: 13%

Local:

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 7/1/2021-6/30/2022

Length of Contract: 12 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: 162

Date of Adoption: 5/11/2020

**Justification:** (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Local Social Service districts are required to provide temporary shelter to homeless individuals and families. Therefore, authorization is requested to renew an agreement with the Altamont Program, Inc. to provide emergency shelter at The Schuyler Inn. This contract provides for Albany County Department of Social Services (DSS) to place homeless in up to 60 rooms at the Schuyler Inn.

There are several advantages to temporarily sheltering homeless families at the Schuyler Inn rather than other shelters or hotels/motels. Unlike hotels/motels, Schuyler Inn provides families with three meals a day, 7 days a week. The provision of prepared meals, allows us to reduce or eliminate the meal allowance we are required to give to homeless individuals and families while staying at other hotels /motels. In addition, the Schuyler Inn provides case management services with the goal of helping families and individuals learn to live independently, transition into permanent housing and provide a linkage to vocational and employment opportunities.

Having our homeless families centrally located at the Schuyler Inn allows us to monitor their cases and deliver more efficient case management services. Further, Schuyler Inn is able to actively coordinate and communicate with DSS, Homeless and Travelers Aid Society (HATAS), Albany School District Liaison, and St. Catherine's Center staff to help families move more quickly and appropriately to either permanent housing or the Marillac Family Shelter.

Schuyler Inn also assists families in meeting child care needs and has help for students with homework and other family specific needs to families residing there. During the 2020 calendar year 526 homeless families totaling 1,037 individuals

were served at the Schuyler Inn.