

February 13, 2020

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 3

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received, filed and printed:

a. COMM. 3E-16 (2020)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE:** “Appointment to the EC Board of Health”  
(Chair’s Ruling)

Dear Honorable Members:

I, Mark C. Poloncarz, Erie County Executive, pursuant to Erie County Charter Section 503, do hereby appoint the following individual to the Board of Health, for a term expiring December 31, 2025.

Appointee:

Dolores Funke  
29 Willow Green Dr.  
Amherst, NY 14228

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact my office at (716) 858-8500.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

2. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:

a. COMM. 22E-8 (2019)

**LORIGO, DIXON, RATH & MILLS:** “Letter Regarding Enforcement of Ruthie's Law”  
(Chair’s Ruling)

3. COMM. 3E-22 (2020)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Health Foundation for Western and Central New York, (HFWCNY) an independent private foundation that serves 16 counties, develops, implements and evaluates sustainable programs with community partners that make a positive difference in the lives of thousands of older adults and caregivers in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Senior Services, in conjunction with the Syracuse Jewish Family Service (SJFS) submitted a grant application to the HFWCNY for Caregiver Support Planning to engage caregivers to learn about issues affecting their ability to provide care for older adults and develop solutions for the community; and

WHEREAS, the HFWCNY recently awarded SJFS, as the lead agency \$10,000 in Caregiver Support Planning grant funds for the seven month period December 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as part of their award agreement SJFS is passing on to the Department of Senior Services as a partner and sub-recipient \$1,500 of Caregiver Support Planning grant monies to fund staff time in the project; and

WHEREAS, the grant is 100% funded and does not require a local share; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Senior Services desires to contract, with the SJFS to accept the \$1,500 to promote the planning process and develop caregiver programming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Syracuse Jewish Family Service to accept \$1,500 of grant funding for the period December 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020; and be it further

RESOLVED, the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and amendments with the SJFS to effectuate adjusted funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Caregiver Support Planning grant 163CSP1920 for the period December 1 2019 to July 1, 2020 be established as follows:

Account	Revenues Description	Initial Budget
417060	Other Income Senior Services	\$1,500

Account	Appropriations Description	Initial Budget
916390	ID Senior Services Grant	\$1,500

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust the budget as required to comply with the Syracuse Jewish Family Service’s approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the: County Executive’s Office, Division of Budget and Management, Comptroller’s Office and the Department of Senior Services. (6-0)

4. COMM. 3E-23 (2020)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the cost of child care is extremely high for many working families, with recent studies suggesting that child care costs exceed 10 percent of family income for one in four families; and

WHEREAS, subsidized child care is available to working families in Erie County who earn less than or equal to 200 percent of the federal poverty limit; and

WHEREAS, Erie County receives funds for this program through the New York State Child Care Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, Erie County initially was designated to receive \$26,567,598 in its 2019-2020 Child Care Block Grant allocation; and

WHEREAS, New York State has allocated funds to expand this program to Counties that agree to expand the availability of subsidized child care; and

WHEREAS, Erie County is eligible for an additional \$2 million for this expansion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the State of New York to accept funding to expand the subsidized child care program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any required budget adjustment to accept the funds and allocate it for its specified purpose, including establishing a grant in Fund 281; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Department of Social Services.

(6-0)

5. COMM. 3E-29 (2020)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Health has successfully won multiple new grants to launch programs to address specific public health challenges created by the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, grant funding often includes a requirement for staff retention and academic and CBO partnership contracts to complete deliverables; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this contract is to expand the successful Response After Overdose, Law Enforcement/Public Health partnership and programming in all eight counties of WNY; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to authorize the County Executive to enter into a contract with New York State Department of Health retroactive to September 30, 2019 for \$400,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this grant in the amount of \$1,600,000.00 over four years at \$400,000 per year requires no local funding and receives full financial support from the federal government through the New York State Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, this is the second year of of this grant, first approved by this Honorable Body in November 2018 but, because of timing issues, was not able to be included in the preparation of the 2019 Erie County Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to receive and grant and enter into contract and amendments to that contract with the New York State Department of Health retroactive to September 30, 2019 and contracts with identified sub-contractors including, UBMD Emergency Physician Group, SUNY at University of Buffalo Primary Care Research Institute, and the Crisis Services Addiction Hotline to be budgeted as follows:

“WNY Response After Overdose”  
 127NEEDCC1920  
 9/30/19 – 9/29/2020

SAP	REVENUE	BUDGET
414000	Federal Aid	<u>\$400,000</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$400,000</u>
SAP	EXPENSES	BUDGET
500000	Full Time – Salaries	\$ 94,440
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$59,497
505000	Office Supplies	\$6,063
510000	Local Mileage Reimbursement	\$10,000
510020	Professional Svcs Contracts & Fees	<u>\$230,000</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$400,000</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds necessary to cover the costs of this contract are available through the NYSDOH SAMHSA award # 1H79SP080297-01; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues, which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to authorized personnel levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner in the Erie County Health Department, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Rath Building.  
 (6-0)

6. COMM. 3E-30 (2020)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Health has successfully won multiple new Federal grants to launch programs to address specific public health challenges created by the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, Federal grants often include a requirement for staff retention and academic and CBO partnership contracts to complete deliverables; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this contract is to create and maintain a functional Erie County Opioid Mortality Review Board; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to authorize the County Executive to enter into a contract with United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice programs (BJA) beginning October 1, 2019 for \$333,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this grant in the amount of \$999,000.00 over three years at \$333,000 per year requires no local funding and receives full financial support from the federal government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to receive and grant and enter into contract and amendments to that contract with United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice programs (BJA) retroactive to October 1, 2019 and contracts with identified sub-contractors to be budgeted as follows:

“Erie County Opioid Mortality Review Board”  
127OMRB1920  
10/1/19 – 9/30/2020

SAP	REVENUE	BUDGET
414000	Federal Aid	<u>\$333,000</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$333,000</u>

SAP	EXPENSES	BUDGET
500000	Full Time – Salaries	\$130,615
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$77,064
505000	Office Supplies	\$1,614
510000	Local Mileage Reimbursement	\$1,207
510010	Out of Area Travel	\$0
510020	Professional Svcs Contracts & Fees	\$121,500
980000	ID DISS Services	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$333,000</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds necessary to cover the costs of this contract are available through the BJA Award number 2018- AR-BX-K035; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues, which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to authorized personnel levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner in the Erie County Health Department, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Rath Building.

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**LISA M. CHIMERA**  
**CHAIR**