



Approved as to Form and Legality

Date Adopted

Committee

November 6, 2019

Public Safety

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF
A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL ("OAG") AND THE OFFICE OF THE NEW JERSEY
COORDINATOR FOR ADDICTION RESPONSES AND ENFORCEMENT
STRATEGIES ("NJ CARES") FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FFY 2019
OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION – OPERATION HELPING HAND GRANT
PROGRAM [SUBAWARD NO. FY0HH-13-2019]**

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES") are to implement funding reimbursement under the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 Overdose Data to Action – Operation Helping Hand Grant Program, for the establishment and/or enhancement and/or continuation of new and existing programs that rely on proactive, coordinated action by law enforcement officers and community partners to assist individuals with substance use disorder in obtaining access to treatment and/or recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Prosecutor's Office wishes to make application for funding in the amount of \$65,000.00 for FFY 2019 Overdose Data to Action – Operation Helping Hand Grant Program and has submitted a letter of participation interest to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"); and

WHEREAS, this new grant opportunity will make an additional One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in funding available for up to 21 County Prosecutors' Offices, to continue and/or expand Operation Helping Hand programs to combat the opioid epidemic. Federally-funded through the Centers for Disease Control, this grant opportunity will allow current grant recipients of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 Governor Phil Murphy Budget – OHH Grant Program, to increase the frequency of their operations and/or incorporate and improve on their existing models or permit the implementation of a new and distinct OHH-type initiative, under Salem County RESCUE [Recovery, Encouragement, Support, Community, Understanding, Empowerment]; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Prosecutor's Office is a current award recipient, under the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 Governor Phil Murphy Budget – OHH Grant Program and would pursue the opportunity of enhancing and expanding their existing and planned proactive efforts, under Salem County RESCUE, with the FFY 2019 Overdose Data to Action – Operation Helping Hand Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders ("Board") recognizes the need to assist the Prosecutor's Office, the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES") in assisting individuals with substance use disorder in obtaining access to treatment and/or recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG"), the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES") and the Salem County Prosecutor's Office for assisting individuals with substance use disorder in obtaining access to treatment and/or recovery support services, with a grant cycle of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020, simultaneous to the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 Governor Phil Murphy Budget – OHH Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, this agreement shall further be contingent upon availability and appropriation of sufficient funds for this purpose in the County's temporary and/or permanent budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders will review the application to be placed on file with the Clerk of the Board once same has been received from the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), completed by the Salem County Prosecutor's Office and then submitted back to the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES") on or about 22 November 2019, as per the Grant Announcement, from the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem that said Board does hereby authorize the submission of the grant application to be signed by the County of Salem (Office of the Prosecutor) the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), for the receipt of the grant funds in the amount of \$65,000.00 and upon the execution of said contract, the Board does hereby authorize the expenditure of said grant funds pursuant to the terms of said contract between the County of Salem (Office of the Prosecutor) and the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem that:

1. The project grant will be placed on file with the Clerk of the Board, once the grant application package is received by the Salem County Prosecutor's Office from the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), completed by the Salem County Prosecutor's Office and submitted to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), which is planned to occur on or about November 22, 2019, as per the Grant Announcement.
2. The New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES") has allocated the funding.
3. The New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), shall be responsible for the receipt, review and approval of the applications for said funding.
4. The New Jersey Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") and the Office of the New Jersey Coordinator for Addiction Responses and Enforcement Strategies ("NJ CARES"), shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.
5. Five fully executed copies of this resolution shall be provided to the County Prosecutor forthwith.



R. Scott Griscom, Deputy Freeholder Director
Chair, Public Safety Committee

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem at its regular meeting held on November 6, 2019.



STACY L. PENNINGTON
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

FREEHOLDER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECONDED
G. Ostrum, Jr.	✓				✓	
C. Hassler	✓					
L. Ware	✓					✓
R.S. Griscom	✓					
B. Laury				✓		

✓ Indicates Vote

Department Initials

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