

# **County of Albany**

Harold L. Joyce  
Albany County Office Building  
112 State Street - Albany, NY 12207



## **Meeting Agenda**

**Thursday, August 25, 2022**

**5:00 PM**

**Held Remotely**

**Health Committee**

**PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

2. ESTABLISHING THE MIND YOUR HEALTH TRAINING PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CERTAIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING
3. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. "H" FOR A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK PREVENTING INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES
4. LOCAL LAW NO. "H" FOR 2022: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK PREVENTING INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES
5. AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REGARDING THE HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM
6. AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CDC'S CLOSING THE GAP WITH SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH ACCELERATOR PLANS GRANT
7. AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 342 FOR 2019 REGARDING THE OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION GRANT PROGRAM
8. AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A CONTRACT FOR RE-ENTRY SERVICES WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES
9. AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH REHABILITATION SUPPORT SERVICES, INC. REGARDING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE RE-ENTRY PROGRAM

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## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 28, 2022

5:00 PM

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**Health Committee**

**PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

**Present:** Raymond F. Joyce, Dustin M. Reidy, Robert J. Beston, Zach Collins, Alison McLean Lane, Frank A. Mauriello and Sean E. Ward

**Excused:** Matthew J. Miller and Wanda F. Willingham

**1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made that the previous meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**CURRENT BUSINESS:****2. AMENDING THE 2022 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET: ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUSTMENTS**

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 301**

**ESTABLISHING THE MIND YOUR HEALTH TRAINING PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CERTAIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING**

Introduced: 8/8/22

By Ms. Willingham, Messrs. A. Joyce, and Commisso:

WHEREAS, The National Council for Mental Wellbeing has seen a significant increase in demand for mental health and substance abuse treatment services caused in part by the COVID-19 pandemic, and

WHEREAS, The National Council for Mental Wellbeing has further found that nearly one in five Americans suffers from a mental or behavioral health issue that is diagnosable and almost always treatable, but only a fraction receive the necessary care, and

WHEREAS, The National Council for Mental Wellbeing recommends Mental Health First Aid training for human services professionals in order to provide techniques for recognizing and addressing mental health issues before a difficult situation escalates to a tragedy, and

WHEREAS, Providing Mental Health First Aid Training to certain employees of Albany County who have direct and consistent interaction with the public will provide those individuals with the tools necessary to identify a person with a mental health issue, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the departments of Albany County shall work with the Commissioner of Human Resources to establish lists of human service professionals in their employ who will take part in the Mind Your Health Training Program and who would benefit from the Mental Health First Aid training, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commissioners of Human Resources and Mental Health shall work together to assure that all Mental Health First Aid trainings provided by Albany County shall be designed to include, but not be limited to, coverage of the following subjects: common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges; common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges; how to interact with a person in crisis; how to connect a person with help; and expanded content on trauma, substance use, and self-care, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commissioners of Human Resources and Mental Health shall work with the Purchasing Department to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) consistent with this resolution for the purposes of obtaining a vendor to provide Mental Health First Aid trainings, and be it further

RESOLVED, That upon the tabulation of any proposals in response to the RFP, the Commissioner of Human Resources shall notify the County Legislature of the expense related to the proposal that funding may be provided for the Mental Health First Aid training and any ancillary costs associated with the training, and be it further

RESOLVED, That such training may be conducted either in-person or virtually, but shall be done no later than six months from the execution of any contract for Mental Health First Aid training services or, thereafter, within six months of any new employee's hire or transfer to one of the positions selected to receive such training, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Referred to Health and Personnel Committees – 8/8/22*

**RESOLUTION NO. 302**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. “H” FOR A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK PREVENTING INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

Introduced: 8/8/22

By Mr. A. Joyce and Ms. Lekakis:

RESOLVED, By the County Legislature of the County of Albany that a public hearing on proposed Local Law No. “H” for 2022, “A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK PREVENTING INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES” to be held by the Albany County Legislature at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, with participation information to be made available on the Albany County website, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published containing the necessary information in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

*Referred to Law and Health Committees – 8/8/22*

## LOCAL LAW NO. “H” FOR 2022

### A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK PREVENTING INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Introduced: 8/8/22

By Mr. A. Joyce, **Ms. Lekakis**, Messrs. Reinhardt, Reidy, Efekoro, Fein, Mss. Plotsky, McLean Lane, Messrs. Miller, Ward, Cleary, Feeney, Clay, Ethier, Commisso, Mss. McLaughlin, Chapman, Mr. Simpson and Ms. Willingham:

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Albany as follows:

#### SECTION 1. Title

This local law shall be known as the “Protected Access to Healthcare Act for Albany County.”

#### SECTION 2. Legislative intent and purpose.

A. This Legislature finds and determines that access to health care facilities for the purpose of obtaining medical counseling and treatment is imperative for citizens of this county.

B. This Legislature further finds and determines that the exercise of a person’s right to protest or counsel against certain medical procedures must be balanced against another person’s right to obtain medical counseling and treatment in an unobstructed manner.

C. This Legislature further finds and determines that preventing the willful obstruction of a person’s access to medical counseling and treatment at a health care facility is a matter of countywide concern.

D. The Legislature of the County of Albany therefore declares that it is appropriate to enact legislation that prohibits a person from knowingly obstructing another person’s entry to or exit from a health care facility.

#### SECTION 3. Definitions

- a. The term “approach” shall mean to move nearer in distance to someone.
- b. The term “eight (8) feet” shall be measured from the part of a person’s body that is nearest to the closest part of another person’s body, where the term “body” includes any natural or artificial extension of a person, including, but not limited to, an outstretched arm or hand-held sign.



- c. The term “harass” shall mean to engage in a course of conduct or repeatedly commit conduct or acts that alarm or seriously annoy another person and which serve no legitimate purpose. For the purposes of this definition, conduct or acts that serve no legitimate purpose include, but are not limited to, conduct or acts that continue after an express or implied request to cease has been made.
- d. The term “health care facility” shall mean any entity that is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized or permitted by law to administer medical treatment in this county.
- e. The term “interfere with” shall mean to restrict a person’s freedom of movement, or to stop, obstruct, or prevent, through deceptive means or otherwise.
- f. The term “intimidate” shall mean to place a person in reasonable apprehension of physical injury to such person or to another person.
- g. The term “physical obstruction” shall mean to physically hinder, restrain, or impede, or to attempt to physically hinder, restrain or impede, or to otherwise render ingress to or egress from, or render passage to or from the premises of a health care facility impassable, unreasonably difficult, or hazardous.

#### SECTION 4. Prohibitions

No person shall knowingly either (1) approach another person within eight feet of such person, unless such other person consents, for the purpose of passing a leaflet or handbill to, displaying a sign to, or engaging in oral protest, education, or counseling with such other person in the public way or sidewalk area within a radius of fifty (50) feet from any entrance door to a health care facility; or (2) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injure, intimidate, harass, or interfere with or attempt to injure, intimidate, harass or interfere with any person entering or leaving any health care facility.

#### SECTION 5. Penalties

- a. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Local Law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or imprisonment not to exceed six (6) months, or both, for a first conviction; and
- b. For a second and each subsequent conviction under this Local Law the penalty shall be a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment not to exceed one (1) year, or both.

#### SECTION 6. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

SECTION 7. Effective date.

This law shall take effect immediately.

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*Referred to Law and Health Committees – 8/8/22*



DANIEL P. McCOY  
County Executive

ELIZABETH F. WHALEN, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
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Assistant Commissioner Finance and Administration

June 30, 2022

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Room 710  
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health requests to accept grant funding from Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee. ACDOH has been awarded \$25,000 for the program term of 10/1/2022 – 9/30/2022. ACDOH will continue to promote safety by distributing pedestrian safety information at select intersections at risk for accidents, providing the safety education in schools, and conducting community outreach regarding pedestrian safety. The funding will be placed in the 2023 department budget.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
Minority Counsel

Enclosures



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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-3450, **Version:** 1

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### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Request to enter into a contract with NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for the Highway Safety Grant Program

Date: 6/30/2022  
Submitted By: Dr. Elizabeth Whalen  
Department: Health  
Title: Commissioner of Health  
Phone: 518-447-4584  
Department Rep.  
Attending Meeting: Dr. Elizabeth Whalen

**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

Acceptance

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):**

NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee  
6 Empire State Plaza, Room 410B  
Albany, NY 12228

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

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$25,000

Scope of Services: Albany County and Specifically the City of Albany are identified as a focus community for pedestrian crashes. ACDOH will develop a work plan to implement community education strategies promoting pedestrian safety.

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: 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) 10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023  
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: 212/2022  
Date of Adoption: June 13, 2022

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

Albany County Department of Health requests to accept grant funding from Governor's Traffic Safety Committee. ACDOH has been awarded \$25,000 for the program term of 10/1/2022 - 9/30/2022. ACDOH will continue to promote safety by distributing pedestrian safety information at select intersections at risk for accidents, providing the safety education in schools, and conducting community outreach regarding pedestrian safety. The funding will be placed in the 2023 department budget.

June 22, 2022

Charles Welge  
Director of Public Health Planning and Education  
Albany County Department of Health  
175 Green St  
Albany, NY 12202-2011

Re: HS1-2023-Albany Co DOH-00237-(001)  
See!BeSeen!  
T006983  
CFDA #: 20.616  
EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022

Dear Director of Public Health Planning and Education Charles Welge:

On behalf of the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC), I am pleased to notify you that the Albany County Department of Health has been awarded \$25,000 to participate in New York State's Highway Safety Program. Our goal is to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and deaths on New York's roads.

Before incurring any project related expenses, login to eGrants to review your approved budget as it may have been reduced or otherwise changed from what was requested. Crucial documents regarding your grant, the claims process, equipment, and other grant related topics can be found by visiting <https://trafficsafety.ny.gov/highway-safety-grant-program#grant-award>.

Attached to this email are the contract and a signatory page with instructions. Please follow the instructions to facilitate the prompt processing of your contract. The contract will only be effective after the Signature page has been signed by your organization, and notarized, then returned to, and signed by, the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and, if applicable, the Offices of the New York State Attorney General and New York State Comptroller.

Thank you for participating in New York State's Highway Safety Program. I wish you success in your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact the GTSC at (518) 474-5111.

Sincerely,



Charles R. DeWeese  
Assistant Commissioner

CRD:bp  
cc: Shanna Witherspoon  
Jack Celuch

## RESOLUTION NO. 212

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE  
NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
REGARDING THE GENERAL HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM

Introduced: 6/13/22

By Health Committee and Mr. Miller:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Health has requested authorization to submit a grant application to the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee regarding the 2023 General Highway Safety Grant Program in the amount of \$50,000 for the term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated that the funding will be used to distribute pedestrian safety information at select intersections at risk for accidents, provide safety education in schools and conduct community outreach regarding pedestrian safety, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee regarding the 2022 General Highway Safety Grant Program in the amount of \$50,000 for the term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said application as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Adopted by unanimous vote – 6/13/22*

*Ms. Plotsky abstained.*

State of New York  
County of Albany

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Albany County Legislature, have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution and/or local law with the original resolution and/or local law now on file in the office, and which was passed by the Legislature of said County on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022, a majority of all members elected to the Legislature voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and/or local law and the whole thereof.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

*DeeDee Chambers*

Clerk, Albany County Legislature



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June 30, 2022

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
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Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health (ACDOH) requests permission to apply to the Closing the Gap with Social Determinants of Health Accelerator Plans grant from the CDC. This funding will aid in the development of multisector action plans to address social determinants of health (SDOH). These plans will help to accelerate action that lead to improved chronic disease outcomes among persons experiencing health disparities and inequities. The grant award is up to \$125,000 for a term of one year.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
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## Legislation Text

**File #:** TMP-3451, **Version:** 1

### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Request to apply for the Closing the Gap with Social Determinants of Health Accelerator Plans grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Date:	6/30/2022
Submitted By:	Dr. Elizabeth Whalen
Department:	Health
Title:	Commissioner of Health
Phone:	518-447-4584
Department Rep.	
Attending Meeting:	Dr. Elizabeth Whalen

**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
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- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

### CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

**Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):**

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- Equipment
- Fringe
- Personnel

- Personnel Non-Individual
- Revenue

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- Requirements
- Professional Services
- Education/Training
- Grant

New

Submission Date Deadline 7/8/2022

- 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):**

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion  
Division of Population Health  
2920 Brandywine Road  
Atlanta, GA 30341

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

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$125,000  
Scope of Services: To aid in the development of multisector action plans to address social determinants of health (SDOH). These plans will help to accelerate action that lead to improved chronic disease outcomes among persons experiencing health disparities and inequities.

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

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Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes  No

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State: Click or tap here to enter text.

County: Click or tap here to enter text.

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Term: (Start and end date) January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

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PROMOTION

Closing the Gap with Social Determinants of Health Accelerator Plans

CDC-RFA-DP22-2210

07/08/2022

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### Part I. Overview

Applicants must go to the synopsis page of this announcement at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and click on the "Subscribe" button link to ensure they receive notifications of any changes to CDC-RFA-DP22-2210. Applicants also must provide an e-mail address to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) to receive notifications of changes.

#### A. Federal Agency Name:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) / Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

#### B. Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Title:

Closing the Gap with Social Determinants of Health Accelerator Plans

#### C. Announcement Type: New - Type 1:

This announcement is only for non-research activities supported by CDC. If research is proposed, the application will not be considered. For this purpose, research is defined at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2007-title42-vol1/pdf/CFR-2007-title42-vol1-sec52-2.pdf>. Guidance on how CDC interprets the definition of research in the context of public health can be found at <https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/regulations/45-cfr-46/index.html> (See section 45 CFR 46.102(d)).

#### D. Agency Notice of Funding Opportunity Number:

CDC-RFA-DP22-2210

#### E. Assistance Listings Number:

93.945

#### F. Dates:

##### 1. Due Date for Letter of Intent (LOI):

06/08/2022

##### 2. Due Date for Applications:

07/08/2022

11:59 p.m. U.S. Eastern Standard Time, at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**3. Due Date for Informational Conference Call:**

Date: June 09, 2022

Time: 3:00p.m - 4:30p.m Eastern Standard Time

Topic: Closing the Gap: Social Determinants of Health-DP22-2210

Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_WdEyIDGHQbWSZcsfQWhH-A](https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_WdEyIDGHQbWSZcsfQWhH-A)

Or an H.323/SIP room system:

H.323: 161.199.138.10 (US West) or 161.199.136.10 (US East)

Meeting ID: 160 559 8999

Passcode: 42885676

SIP: [1605598999@sip.zoomgov.com](mailto:1605598999@sip.zoomgov.com)

Passcode: 42885676

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**G. Executive Summary:**

**1. Summary Paragraph**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of funds to develop multisector action plans to address the social determinants of health (SDOH). The purpose of the NOFO is to accelerate action in state, local, territorial, and tribal jurisdictions that lead to improved chronic disease outcomes among persons experiencing health disparities and inequities.

Collaborative planning among public health, government, business, non-profit organization, and healthcare partners is essential for addressing SDOH. Through community health assessment and long-range planning, policy, system, environmental, and programmatic changes can improve SDOH in communities with the poorest health outcomes.

**a. Eligible Applicants:**

Open Competition

**b. Funding Instrument Type:**

G (Grant)

**c. Approximate Number of Awards**

40

**d. Total Period of Performance Funding:**

\$5,000,000

**e. Average One Year Award Amount:**

\$125,000

**f. Total Period of Performance Length:**

1

**g. Estimated Award Date:**

September 29, 2022

**h. Cost Sharing and / or Matching Requirements:**

No

Cost sharing or matching funds are not required for this program. Although no statutory matching requirement for this NOFO exists, leveraging other resources and related ongoing efforts to promote sustainability is strongly encouraged.

**Part II. Full Text**

**A. Funding Opportunity Description**

**1. Background**

**a. Overview**

Health equity is achieved when every person has the chance to “attain his or her full health potential” and no one is “disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or other socially determined circumstances” (WHO). Achieving health equity can be realized by addressing the social determinants of health (SDOH) such as systemic racism, poverty, poor access to quality healthcare, transportation, housing insecurity, nutrition insecurity, commercial tobacco-free policies, safe spaces for physical activity, and social connectedness.

SDOH are conditions in the places where people are born, live, learn, work, play, and worship which influence the availability of fair and just opportunities and resources needed to live healthy lives and to improve a wide range of social, mental, and physical health outcomes. Through community health needs assessment, multi-sector partnerships, and improvement planning, federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial governments can invest in long-range strategies to address and improve SDOH in communities with the poorest health outcomes.

Chronic diseases such as heart disease and stroke, cancer, diabetes, and obesity are the leading causes of death and disabilities. Inequities in SDOH contribute to stark and persistent chronic disease disparities among population groups based on race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, and other characteristics, systematically limiting opportunities and resources needed to live healthy lives.

To maximize public health impact, policy, systems, environmental, and programmatic strategies that address SDOH have the potential to narrow disparities in many chronic diseases by removing systemic and unfair barriers to practicing healthy behaviors. Sustaining positive health outcomes requires a focus not just on individual behaviors and patient care, but on root causes of disparities and community-wide approaches aimed at improving population health. Healthy People 2030 categorizes SDOH into five domains: 1) Economic Stability; 2) Education Access and Quality; 3) Health Care Access and Quality; 4) Neighborhood and Built Environment; and 5) Social and Community Context.

Based on the five domains of Healthy People 2030, CDC’s National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) developed an integrated framework to address SDOH (<https://www.cdc.gov/chronicdisease/programs-impact/sdoh.htm>) with a specific focus on five determinants that impact chronic disease risk factors and health outcomes:

- 1) Built Environment
- 2) Community-Clinical Linkages
- 3) Food and Nutrition Security
- 4) Social Connectedness
- 5) Tobacco-Free Policy

Leadership from public health officials, multi-sector partners, and community representatives is essential to developing an action plan and implementing strategies that address SDOH in diverse sectors such as housing, healthcare, transportation, and human services. Planning and collaboration across multiple areas within and outside these sectors is required, including governments, private businesses, non-profit and community organizations and residents, hospitals, and clinical delivery systems. Creating sustainable partnerships with public health, healthcare, human services, and the community are critical to ensure individuals have equitable access to chronic disease prevention services, treatment, and care.

#### **b. Statutory Authorities**

This program is authorized under Section 301(a) of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 241(a).

#### **c. Healthy People 2030**

This funding opportunity supports Healthy People 2030 objectives in the topic area of Social Determinants of Health. For specific objectives, please visit [Browse Objectives - Healthy People 2030 | health.gov](#).

#### **d. Other National Public Health Priorities and Strategies**

[The Guide to Community Preventive Services](#)

[The National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities: Toolkit for Community Action](#)

[Thriving Together: A Springboard for Equitable Recovery and Resilience in Communities](#)

[Across America - Community Commons](#)

[COVID-19 Health Equity Strategy](#)

[National Stakeholder Strategy for Achieving Health Equity](#)

[Active People, Healthy Nation](#)

[Surgeon General Priority: Community Health and Economic Prosperity](#)

[Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Social Determinants of Health and Practice](#)

[Improvement](#)

[Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Innovation Center Strategic Objectives](#)

#### **e. Relevant Work**

This NOFO builds on and supports the following funding opportunities.

[Closing the Gap with Social Determinants of Health Accelerator Plans \(CDC-FRA-DP21-2111\)](#)

[National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program \(CDC-RFA-DP17-1701\)](#)

[State Physical Activity and Nutrition Program \(CDC-RFA-DP18-1807\)](#)

[High Obesity Program \(CDC-RFA-DP18-1809\)](#)

[State Actions to Improve Oral Health Outcomes \(CDC-RFA-DP18-1810\)](#)

[Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health \(CDC-RFA-DP18-1813\)](#)

[Improving the Health of Americans through Prevention and Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke \(CDC-RFA-DP18-1815\)](#)

[Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation \(CDC-RFA-DP18-](#)



DANIEL P. McCOY  
County Executive

ELIZABETH F. WHALEN, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

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July 26, 2022

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Room 710  
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health is requesting to amend the contract regarding the Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) grant program. We have been notified of a one-year extension, with an end date of August 31, 2023. This brings the total grant funding to 288,000 with a term of 9/1/2019 – 8/31/2022. Grant funding was provided to local health departments in order to implement activities in four general categories.

1. Integrate and empower local prevention efforts
2. Build capacity for more effective & sustainable local prevention & response efforts
3. Implement prevention and response strategies
4. Innovation project

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
Minority Counsel

Enclosures



**Albany County Department of Health** is nationally accredited and meets rigorous public health standards set forth to best meet the needs of our community.



# County of Albany

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NY 12207

## Legislation Text

**File #:** TMP-3487, **Version:** 1

### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

**Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):**  
Request to extend the Overdose Data to Action grant with NYSDOH

**Date:** 7/26/2022  
**Submitted By:** Dr. Elizabeth Whalen  
**Department:** Health  
**Title:** Commissioner of Health  
**Phone:** 518-447-4584  
**Department Rep.**  
**Attending Meeting:** Dr. Elizabeth Whalen

#### 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):

NYS DOH/Health Research Inc.

150 Broadway

Menands, NY 12204

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: Click or tap here to enter text.

Scope of Services: Overdose Data to Action grant focuses on the complex and changing nature of the opioid overdose epidemic and highlights the need for an interdisciplinary, comprehensive, and cohesive public health approach.

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: A4010.0.4325  
Revenue Amount: \$72,000

Appropriation Account and Line: Various lines  
Appropriation Amount: \$72,000

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) 9/1/2019 - 8/31/2023  
Length of Contract: 48 months

Impact on Pending Litigation

If yes, explain: Yes  No   
Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: 342/2019  
Date of Adoption: August 12, 2019

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

Albany County Department of Health has been notified of an extension to the Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) grant program. The grant has been extended one year, with an end date of August 31, 2023. This brings the total grant funding to 288,000 with a term of 9/1/2019 - 8/31/2022. Grant funding was provided to local health departments in order to implement activities in four general categories.

1. Integrate and empower local prevention efforts
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## RESOLUTION NO. 342

## AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/HEALTH RESEARCH, INC. REGARDING THE OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION PROGRAM AND AMENDING THE 2019 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUDGET

Introduced: 8/12/19

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Albany County Department of Health has requested authorization to enter into a three-year agreement with the New York State Department of Health/Health Research, Inc. regarding the Overdose Data to Action program in the amount of \$72,000 per year for a total amount of \$216,000 for the term commencing September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has also requested authorization to enter into the first year of the three-year agreement in the amount of \$72,000 for the term commencing September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated that the grant funding will be used to support the collection of high quality, timely, and comprehensive data on overdose morbidity and mortality as well as the use of such data to inform prevention and response efforts, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has also indicated that a budget amendment is necessary to incorporate \$37,975 of the funding from the first year of the grant into the 2019 Albany County Department of Health Budget to create an Epidemiologist position to support prevention and response activities related to opioid use disorder and chronic disease, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a three-year agreement with the New York State Department of Health/Health Research, Inc. regarding the Overdose Data to Action Program in the amount of \$72,000 per year for a total amount of \$216,000 for the term commencing September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2022, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is further authorized to enter into the first year of the three-year agreement in the amount of \$72,000 for the term commencing September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2020, and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the 2019 Albany County Department of Health Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A4325 Overdose Data to Action by \$37,975

Create and Increase Appropriation Account A4010.1 by \$22,885 by increasing line item A4010 1 2138 002 Epidemiologist by \$22,885 with an annual salary of \$70,000

Increase Appropriation Account A4010.2 by \$1,300 by increasing line item A4010 2 2050 Computer Equipment by \$1,300

Increase Appropriation Account A4010.4 by \$1,000 by increasing line item A4010 4 4046 Fees for Services by \$1,000

Increase Appropriation Account A4010.8 by \$12,790 by increasing the following line items:

A4010 8 9010 State Retirement by \$4,303

A4010 8 9030 Social Security by \$1,751

A4010 8 9060 Hospital and Medical Insurance by \$6,736

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Adopted by unanimous vote – 8/12/19*

State of New York  
County of Albany

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Albany County Legislature, have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution and/or local law with the original resolution and/or local law now on file in the office, and which was passed by the Legislature of said County on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, a majority of all members elected to the Legislature voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and/or local law and the whole thereof.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul J. Deane".

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Clerk, Albany County Legislature

## Overdose Data to Action Year 4 - Work Plan and Budget Request

doh.sm.Grants.Administration <grants@health.ny.gov>

Wed 6/1/2022 1:39 PM

To: Nowak, Jenah <Jenah.Nowak@albanycountyny.gov>; Welge, Charles <Charles.Welge@albanycountyny.gov>; Witherspoon, Shanna <Shanna.Witherspoon@albanycountyny.gov>; mary.mcfadden@broomecounty.us <mary.mcfadden@broomecounty.us>; Marissa.Knapp@broomecounty.us <Marissa.Knapp@broomecounty.us>; bonnie.ayers@broomecounty.us <bonnie.ayers@broomecounty.us>; Irene.Brewer@BroomeCounty.us <Irene.Brewer@BroomeCounty.us>; kristin.russell@broomecounty.us <kristin.russell@broomecounty.us>; wendelp@co.chautauqua.ny.us <wendelp@co.chautauqua.ny.us>; Tofil, Joanne <TofilJ@chqgov.com>; joanne.brousseau@columbiacountyny.com <joanne.brousseau@columbiacountyny.com>; mandy.walsh@co.delaware.ny.us <mandy.walsh@co.delaware.ny.us>; dbrangan@dutchessny.gov <dbrangan@dutchessny.gov>; gcollins@dutchessny.gov <gcollins@dutchessny.gov>; countyexec@dutchessny.gov <countyexec@dutchessny.gov>; rochelle.stein@co.genesee.ny.us <rochelle.stein@co.genesee.ny.us>; Brenden.Bedard@co.genesee.ny.us <Brenden.Bedard@co.genesee.ny.us>; Scott.Senf@co.genesee.ny.us <Scott.Senf@co.genesee.ny.us>; T. Skinner <tskinner@discovergreene.com>; lchurchill@discovergreene.com <lchurchill@discovergreene.com>

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 5 attachments (718 KB)

2022-2023\_LHD\_Budget\_Template.xls; Budget Requirements and Reminders.pdf; Subrecipient form\_2022-2023.docx; 2022-2023\_LHD\_Work Plan\_Template.docx; Strategies and Activities Table.docx;

Dear Local Health Department Partners,

Effective September 1, 2022, we will begin a new Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) contract year. The contract amount will be for \$72,000. Please use your current approved work plan and budget as a guide when developing your work plan and budget for the period of 9/1/22 – 8/31/23 (Year 4).

Below is a list of attachments to assist with the development of your work plan and budget for the new period.

- Work Plan Template
- Strategies and Activities Table
- Budget Template (Excel)
- Budget Reminders and Requirements
- Subrecipient Form (New Information is required)

### Work Plan

- Use the Work Plan template provided in this email.
- Refer to the Strategies and Activities Table to plan your Year 4 Work Plan, if applicable.
- Communicate often and confirm with your LHD Lead which strategies/activities you propose to implement in Year 4.

### Budget

- Use the Excel template provided in this email. The first tab of the template includes instructions. Please do not use versions from other programs or old versions of the template, as recent changes have been made.
- This contract will include \$100,000 in placeholder funding in the 'Restricted' budget category. The placeholder funding will allow us to quickly award additional funds if they should become available. This contract will have a maximum reimbursable amount of \$38,240. Once you reach your maximum reimbursable amount of \$38,240 HRI will automatically release your remaining award giving you access to your total awarded amount of \$72,000.
- To avoid having your budget returned, please review the Budget Reminders and Requirements document. This provides important information regarding changing requirements and suggestions for avoiding issues when developing your budget.

**Please return the work plan, budget documents and subrecipient form to [grants@health.ny.gov](mailto:grants@health.ny.gov) (cc. [Christopher.belden@health.ny.gov](mailto:Christopher.belden@health.ny.gov) and your contract manager) as soon as possible, but no later than 7/11/22.**

If you are unable to meet this deadline, please notify us at [grants@health.ny.gov](mailto:grants@health.ny.gov). A webinar will be held during the OD2A LHD Office Hours on **Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** at **11am** to provide more information regarding the suggested activities. The link to the webinar is below.

**Reminder:** The Work Plan, Budget and Subrecipient Form must be submitted together in one email. If these documents are not submitted together then your email will be returned and you will be asked to resubmit when everything is complete.

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://aidsinstituteny-org.zoom.us/j/99669005564?pwd=SjlkejU3bTVrQktjV01CWEcrNXFCdz09>

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Find your local number: <https://aidsinstituteny-org.zoom.us/u/akN6dKGd0>

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 Director of Mental Health

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 Deputy Director

July 27, 2022

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
 Albany County Legislature  
 112 State St., Rm. 710  
 Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The Department of Mental Health requests permission to renew a contract for Re-Entry services with the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services, based on the June 15, 2022 award letter. The Albany County Reentry Task Force assists individuals who are being released back to the community from prison who have been identified as having high needs/risk and allows for their successfully integration back into the community, for purposes of reducing recidivism. The grant award in the amount of \$220,705 shall be designated for the period, October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

Feel free to contact me or Michael Fitzgerald if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
 Director

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
 Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
 Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
 Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel



# County of Albany

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Albany County Office  
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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-3486, **Version:** 1

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### **REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

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

The Albany County Department of Mental Health requests permission to renew a contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice for Reentry Grant Funds,

Date: July 27, 2022  
Submitted By: Mark Gleason  
Department: Mental Health  
Title: Operations Analyst  
Phone: 518-447-3014  
Department Rep.  
Attending Meeting: Dr. Stephen Giordano, Director

**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

Renewal

Submission Date Deadline 10/1/2022

- 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):**

NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services  
80 Swan Street, Albany, NY 12210

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

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$220,705  
Scope of Services: Provide reentry services to moderate - high risk individuals returning from state prison.

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: AA4310.01625 \$95,705/AA4310.04322 \$125,000  
Revenue Amount: \$220,705

Appropriation Account and Line: AA4310.12260 \$64,913.00/AA4310.89010 \$11,562.26/AA4310.89030  
\$4,421.83/AA4310.89060 \$14,807.91/AA4322.44999 \$125,000  
Appropriation Amount: \$220,705.00

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.  
State: 98%  
County: 2%  
Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 10/1/2022-9/30/2023  
Length of Contract: 12 Months

Impact on Pending Litigation

If yes, explain: Yes  No   
Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: 294  
Date of Adoption: 9/13/21

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

The Reentry program has been managed by the ACDMH (Albany County Department of Mental Health) since 2010, the program was managed prior to ACDMH by the Department of Social Services. The Reentry task force provides rehabilitation and case management services to eligible individuals being released from state prison and seeks to reduce recidivism and promote quality of life to participants. The primary goal of the Reentry program is to reduce offender recidivism. It is expected that the Reentry program participants will be more successful in reintegrating into the community having received effective service planning and coordination. The Reentry program provides job readiness programs and sustained support during critical period of re-entry for program participants. The Reentry program remains committed to providing information, support and concrete assistance to the returning citizen of Albany County and working with DOCCS (Department of Corrections and Community Supervision) and parole officers to successfully maintain individuals in the community while reducing recidivism rates for the population that the program serves.



**Division of Criminal  
Justice Services**

**KATHY HOCHUL**  
Governor

**ROSSANA ROSADO**  
Commissioner

**YVONNE TURNER**  
Director

## Grant Award Notice

Grantee/Contractor: <b>Albany County Department of Mental Health</b>	Date: <b>June 15, 2022</b>
Program Name: <b>Albany County Re-entry Task Force</b>	Award Amount: <b>\$220,705</b>
Signatory Name and Title: <b>Daniel Lynch</b> <b>Deputy County Executive</b>	Term Dates: <b>October 1, 2022 to</b> <b>September 30, 2023</b>
Email: <a href="mailto:Daniel.Lynch@albanycountyny.gov">Daniel.Lynch@albanycountyny.gov</a>	Contract Number: <b>C00052GG</b>
SFS Vendor ID No.: <b>1000002428</b>	

This grant award is provided to support the continuation of the County Re-entry Task Force Program. A Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) representative will contact a member of your project staff to help finalize the development of your contract.

The award amount listed above is contingent upon the approval by the NYS Division of Budget and execution of the grant contract by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller. The attached instruction sheet provides additional information to help you facilitate your contract renewal.

This funding must supplement, not supplant, non-grant funds that would otherwise be available for expenditure on the program.

Should you have any program questions, please contact Michele Clarke, DCJS Re-entry Task Force Program Manager at (518) 485-0265 or [michele.clarke@dcjs.ny.gov](mailto:michele.clarke@dcjs.ny.gov). If you have any contract questions related to this grant award, please contact Ben Lazarus, DCJS Contract Manager in the Office of Program Development and Funding at (518) 457-9787 or [ben.lazarus@dcjs.ny.gov](mailto:ben.lazarus@dcjs.ny.gov).

Thank you for all the work you do. We look forward to working with you in our continued efforts to safeguard the health and safety of all New York residents and visitors.

cc: Robert M. Maccarone, Deputy Commissioner and Director  
Attachment

**RESOLUTION NO. 294****AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A CONTRACT FOR RE-ENTRY SERVICES WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES**

Introduced: 9/13/21

By: Health Committee:

WHEREAS, The Director of the Albany County Department of Mental Health has requested authorization to renew an agreement with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept grant funding regarding the County Re-Entry Task Force in the amount of \$220,705 for the term commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The County Re-Entry Task Force provides rehabilitation, education, and case management services for inmates recently released from the state corrections system in order to reduce recidivism and promote quality of life, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to renew an agreement with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept grant funding regarding the County Re-Entry Task Force in the amount of \$220,705 for the term commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.



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**DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**  
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*Director of Mental Health*

*Cindy G. Hoffman*  
*Deputy Director*

July 27, 2022

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
 Albany County Legislature  
 112 State St., Rm. 710  
 Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The Mental Health Department submits the following request to enter into a contract with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. (RSS) to provide case management services to individuals being released from prison and participating in the Reentry Program. RSS proposes to reduce recidivism of re-arrest, parole violations and increase integration into the community by providing linkage to services, collaborating amongst community providers and coordinating care for Albany County reentry individuals. Contract term is for one year (10/1/2022-9/30/2023). RSS was the successful proposer to RFP # 2021-096 seeking these services.

Feel free to contact me or Michael Fitzgerald if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
 Director

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
 Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
 Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
 Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel



# County of Albany

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112 State Street - Albany,  
NY 12207

## Legislation Text

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**File #:** TMP-3481, **Version:** 1

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### **REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

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

The Department of Mental Health request permission to enter into a contract with Rehabilitation Support Services for Reentry Case Management Services.

Date: July 25, 2022  
Submitted By: Mark Gleason  
Department: Mental Health  
Title: Operations Analyst  
Phone: 518-447-3014  
Department Rep.  
Attending Meeting: Dr. Stephen Giordano, Director

**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):

Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. 314 Central Avenue Albany, NY 12206

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$125,000

Scope of Services: RSS (Rehabilitation Support Services) proposes to reduce recidivism of re-arrest, parole violations and increase integration into the community by providing linkage to services, collaborating amongst community providers and coordinating care for Albany County reentry individuals.

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: Mental Health A4322.03490  
Revenue Amount: \$125,000

Appropriation Account and Line: Misc. Contractual Expense A4322.44999  
Appropriation Amount: \$125,000

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) 10/1/2022-9/30/2023  
Length of Contract: 12 Months

Impact on Pending Litigation

If yes, explain: Yes  No   
Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: #368  
Date of Adoption: 10/12/2021

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

Click or tap here to enter text.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 368**

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH REHABILITATION SUPPORT SERVICES, INC. REGARDING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY RE-ENTRY PROGRAM AND AMENDING THE 2021 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET**

Introduced: 10/12/21  
By Health Committee:

WHEREAS, The Director of the Albany County Department of Mental Health has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. regarding a County Re-Entry Task Force to provide case management services for individuals being released from prison and participating in the County Re-Entry Program in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for a term commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The Director has indicated that the aforementioned agreement will be financed through the provision of pass through funding from the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports, and

WHEREAS, The Director has also requested a budget amendment to incorporate \$31,250 of the aforementioned funding into the 2021 Department of Mental Health Budget, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. for case management services for individuals being released from prison and participating in the County Re-Entry Program for the term commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Department of Mental Health Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3490 Mental Health by \$31,250

Increase Appropriation Account A4322.4 by \$31,250 by increasing Line Item A4322 4 4437 Rehab Support Services by \$31,250

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further