

**RESOLUTION NO. 137**

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS PROVIDERS REGARDING REIMBURSEMENT FOR CODE BLUE SERVICES IN ALBANY COUNTY**

Introduced: 4/8/19

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew Cuomo issued Executive Order 151 (EO 151) to protect homeless individuals from inclement winter weather and the risk of hypothermia, serious injury and death where temperatures drop to 32 degrees or below by requiring homeless shelters to extend their hours of operation, and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to EO 151, both Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless and Homeless and Travelers Aid Society have extended their hours of operation for their drop-in shelters to include weekends for overflow of homeless persons during Code Blue days, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with the NYS Office of Temporary Disability Assistance (NYSOTDA) regarding reimbursement for Code Blue services in the amount of \$315,264 for the term commencing October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner also has requested authorization to enter into agreements with Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless in the amount of \$188,632, Homeless and Traveler's Aid Society (HATAS) in the amount of \$30,632, and Council of Community Churches in the amount of \$70,000 for providing additional shelter services pursuant to EO 151 for the term commencing October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated Albany County will also receive \$26,000 of the supplemental grant funding for reimbursements associated with the housing of individuals who would not have been otherwise eligible for temporary housing if not for Code Blue, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application and enter into an agreement with the NYSOTDA to accept funding in the amount of \$198,454 for the term commencing October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019, and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into agreements with Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless in the amount of \$162,460 and HATAS in the amount of \$20,994 regarding homeless

shelter services for the term commencing October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019, and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County is also authorized to receive \$15,000 of the supplemental grant funding for reimbursements associated with the housing of individuals who would not have been otherwise eligible for temporary housing if not for EO 151, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreements 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 – 4/8/19*