

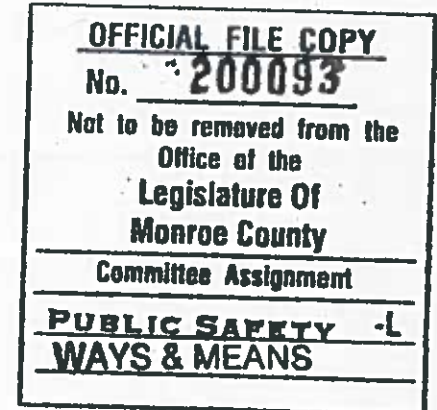


# Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

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County Executive

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To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
407 County Office Building  
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Amend Resolution 410 of 2017 to Amend and Increase the Contract with the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, New York for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses Grant Program also known as the Arrest Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 410 of 2017 to amend and increase the contract with the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, New York, from an amount not to exceed \$270,865 to an amount not to exceed \$274,465, for legal representation of domestic violence victims for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses Grant Program, for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020.

This contract is part of a collaboration of partnerships between criminal justice agencies, victim service providers, and community organizations which respond to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking in Monroe County. The increase is due to grant requirements for new individuals working on the program to attend an annual conference.

The contract with the Legal Aid Society funds: 1) a part-time Domestic Violence Consortium Assistant to provide administrative support; and 2) a civil attorney to provide legal representation to victims seeking orders of protection, and for immigrant and limited English proficient victims seeking services.

A request for qualifications was issued with the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, New York rated the most qualified to provide these services.

**The specific legislative action required is to amend Resolution 410 of 2017 to amend and increase the contract with the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, New York, One West Main Street, Suite 800, Rochester, New York 14614, for legal representation of domestic violence victims for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses Grant Program, from an amount not to exceed \$270,865 to an amount not to exceed \$274,465, for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020.**

The legislative action requested in this referral is not an "Action," as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR § 617.2(b), and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this contract is included in the 2020 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, general fund 9300, funds center 2403010000 Probation Administration. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

The Legal Aid Society of Rochester, New York is a not-for-profit agency, and the records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that it does not owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,



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