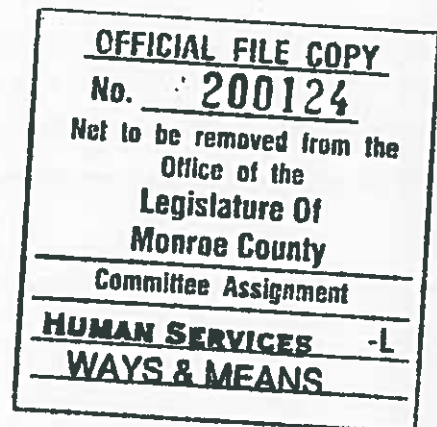




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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Authorize the Creation of an Addiction Services Director in the Monroe County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize the creation of an Addiction Services Director, Group 20, in the Monroe County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health.

This position will report to the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and will be tasked with spearheading the planning and system transformation objectives necessary to adequately address the addiction crisis in Monroe County. Additional duties include providing support and guidance needed to engage and connect high risk/high need individuals with addiction disorders to services as rapidly as possible, including but not limited to, services such as DSS, Social Security, care management, housing, OASAS services, peer services, and other community-based resources.

The specific legislative action required is to authorize the creation of an Addiction Services Director, Group 20, in the Monroe County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health.

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 position is included in the 2020 operating budget of the Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, general fund 9001, funds center 5704010000, Opioid & Addiction Services Task Force. No net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

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

Sincerely,

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Monroe County Executive

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