

Legislation Text

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Narrative of Resolution: INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO ACCEPT RENTAL SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM GRANT AND APPROPRIATION FROM CONTINGENT FUND

If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information: Amount to be authorized by Resolution: N/A Are funds already budgeted? Yes Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures: N/A

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) recently awarded the Department of Social Services a "Rental Supplement Program" grant, renewable annually for start-up costs and administrative and program related costs; and

WHEREAS, eligibility for assistance through this \$240,957 grant for period from April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023, is limited to households that earn up to 50% of area median income and are either currently in temporary emergency housing, recipients of social security benefits, chronically homeless, and/or victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used to pay for up to 85% of the Fair Market Rent for said housing for an estimated 25 recipient households for up to 12 months, if eligible; and

WHEREAS, this rental supplement will continue until a household's income increases to a level where their monthly rent is at or below 30 % of their total income, and therefore considered affordable; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services will draw down funds from the Rental Supplement Program in lieu of using County funds for the purpose of supporting this program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Sullivan accepts this funding pursuant to the OTDA Local Commissioner's Memo 21-LCM-24 to utilize said funds for transitioning households from temporary emergency housing into permanent housing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above-mentioned allocations will be contingent upon the County's receiving continued State aid at anticipated funding levels.