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**MINUTES**

**Ad Hoc CESF Committee Meeting**

Monday, June 8, 2020

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Via Webex Video Conference/Teleconference

Under the Authority's rules, members shall be notified of all motions passed by a particular committee within 5 business days of any committee meeting, or prior to the next meeting of that committee, or before the next meeting of the Authority, whichever is sooner. Within 10 business days of this notice, a special meeting may be convened upon the request of 5 Authority members to discuss any action taken by a committee and to supersede the action. 2 IL Adm. Code 1750.340(i).

**Attendees:**

Nicole Kramer, Chair, Cook County State's Attorney Office  
Sharyn Adams, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority  
Kathryn Bocanegra, Illinois Attorney General's Office  
Yaacov Delaney, Office of Illinois Lt. Governor  
Dr. Marlon Everett, Advocate Health  
Andy Krupin, Governor's Office of Management and Budget  
Sequane Lawrence, African American Leadership and Policy Institute  
Blaire Lewis, Advocate Christ Trauma Recovery Center  
Sharone Mitchell, Illinois Justice Project  
James Pagano, Illinois Department of Corrections  
Kathy Saltmarsh, Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council  
Vickie Smith, Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
Carmen Terrones, Connecting RJ Communities LLC  
Amanda Vasquez, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority  
Jennifer Vollen Katz, John Howard Association  
Ed Wojcicki, Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police

Also present were:

Marilyn Jackson, ICJIA Executive Assistant  
Robin Murphy, ICJIA Acting Deputy Counsel  
Greg Stevens, ICJIA Associate Director of Federal & State Grants Unit  
Jason Stamps, Acting Executive Director  
Other ICJIA Staff and Guests

## **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Kramer called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked Mr. Murphy to call the roll. Quorum was achieved.

## **Chairperson's Remarks**

Ms. Kramer welcomed and thanked members for attending the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Committee. She then asked Mr. Stamps to give a program update. Mr. Murphy gave the update on the CESF program and referred members to correspondence sent prior to the meeting.

## **CESF Non-State Program Planning Discussion**

Ms. Hartwell stated funds should be used to repair COVID-related economic harm in underserved communities, such as those identified through the R3 program.

Ms. Saltmarsh made a motion to direct CESF funds to community-based organizations. She stated the CESF program is designed to get funds to community-based organizations that cannot serve their populations due to the challenges of COVID as soon as possible. She suggested funds should be geared toward public health and community-based responses to the virus, as other funding streams, including stimulus funds, are available to support other areas. She said CESF funds could go further with community agencies because they can continue to virtually meet with their clients via technology. She suggested funds could cover rent and utility subsidies for clients and agencies with the anticipation of a huge rash of impending evictions.

Ms. Saltmarsh said the state has outsourced social services to thousands of organizations. She said the committee should direct funds to support those services to the greatest degree possible and help people who are in danger of losing their housing or need to move out of their housing to be safe.

Dr. Bocanegra supported Ms. Saltmarsh's motion on the assumption that funds had not already been committed to that area. Dr. Bocanegra said 100 percent of the funds should be allocated to community-based organizations that are providing people with technology, housing needs, and mental health services. Dr. Lewis supported the motion and said committee has the potential to help or give resources responsibly to community members that were already overburdened prior to the COVID outbreak.

Dr. Everett said he agreed with comments made and said the committee should be mindful about some of the measures needed to prevent future infection. He said there was an immediate need for PPE to prevent the spread of infect and that PPE also may be needed in the longer term upon a second wave of the virus.

The group finalized the motion, made by Ms. Saltmarsh, to allocate all available funds to community-based organizations to address areas that are most harmed and least served within the state of Illinois. The motion was seconded by Ms. Vollen-Katz. The motion passed.

Ms. Saltmarsh made a second motion to prioritize transitional, temporary, or permanent housing with the funds. Mr. Lawrence seconded. The motion passed.

### **Public Comment**

Eddie Bocanegra said he applauded the efforts of the committee. He said housing was extremely important, as were long-term strategies for mental health services. He asked for concerted efforts around employment and economic development for individuals impacted by COVID, particularly in the Englewood, Austin, North Lawndale, Little Village, Rockford, and East St. Louis communities.

A representative from the Austin community commented that people are in dire need for food, cleaning supplies, and diapers.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 12:02p.m.