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SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

August 15, 2025

The Honorable
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Re: Acceptance of FY26 Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Grant

Honorable Members:

Attached, please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting authorization to accept the Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Grant from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for Fiscal Year 2026.

Representatives of the Erie County Sheriff's Office will be made available to answer any questions.

Very Truly Yours,

John C. Garcia
Sheriff of Erie County

Attachments

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Erie County Sheriff's Office
Re: Acceptance of FY26 Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Grant
Date: August 15, 2025

Summary of Recommended Action

This resolution authorizes Erie County and the Erie County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to accept \$2,000.00 from the Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Grant Program. This funding will be utilized by the Erie County Sheriff's Office to support training, education and the purchase of child safety seats for Erie County residents.

Fiscal Implications of Proposal

This resolution has no impact on county tax dollars.

Reasons for Recommendation

The goal of the Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Program is to increase the proper use and installation of child safety seats. The Erie County Sheriff's Office shares this goal. The Erie County Legislature must authorize an agreement to accept these funds, which are administered through the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.

Consequences of Negative Action

The Erie County Sheriff's Office will forfeit \$2,000.00 in grant funding.

Steps Following Approval of Measure

Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the County Attorney and the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Re: Acceptance of FY26 Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Grant

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Erie County Sheriff's Office to provide quality public safety services to our community by promoting a safe environment through police and citizen interaction with an emphasis on integrity, fairness and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee has awarded the Erie County Sheriff's Office \$2,000.00 as part of the Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Program; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be utilized to assist in the proper installation and use of child safety seats across Erie County; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for Erie County to enter into agreement to accept this grant funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature authorizes the County Executive and Erie County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to accept \$2,000.00 as part of the Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, the funding shall be allocated in the Erie County Sheriff's Office, Police Services Division Budget (Fund 110, Fund Center 11510) as follows:

<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
409020 – Miscellaneous State Aid	\$2,000.00
 <u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	 <u>INCREASE</u>
530000 – Other Expenses	\$2,000.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, the Director of Budget and Management is authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with state and federal approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Director of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary to accept this funding and allocate the funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the County Attorney and the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

FISCAL IMPACT: As Indicated