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## SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

September 4, 2025

The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin St.  
Buffalo, NY 14202


**Re: Acceptance of Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Grant**

Honorable Members:

Attached, please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum authorizing acceptance of the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Grant in the amount of \$21,557.50.

Representatives of my office will be made available to answer any questions you may have.

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 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Grant  
Date: September 4, 2025

### **Summary of Recommended Action**

This resolution authorizes the Sheriff and County Executive to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Grant. Per the Grant Award Notice, this award in the amount of \$21,557.50 will be used to "support training, travel and registration costs and evidence storage" for the Erie County Sheriff's Office. Specifically, these funds will be utilized to install a climate control system in the evidence storage area of the Erie County Sheriff's Office's facility at 13 Centre Drive in Orchard Park.

### **Fiscal Implications of Proposal**

Acceptance of this funding has no impact on county tax dollars. While there is no requirement that the county provide matching funds to receive this grant, there is an additional cost of approximately \$65,829.50 to complete the HVAC project. This money has been allocated in the 2025 Erie County Sheriff's Office budget.

### **Reasons for Recommendation**

Established by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) aims to support crisis intervention court proceedings and related initiatives. Through this program, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, has awarded the Erie County Sheriff's Office \$21,557.50.

### **Consequence of Negative Action**

The Erie County Sheriff's Office will forfeit \$21,557.50 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 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) 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 Bureau of Justice Assistance, through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, has awarded the Erie County Sheriff's Office \$21,557.50 as part of the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office intends to use this funding to install a climate control system in its evidence storage room at 13 Centre Drive in Orchard Park; 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 Sheriff to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept \$21,557.50 as part of the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program; and be it further;

RESOLVED, the Director of Budget and Management shall allocate the funding within the Erie County Sheriff's Office, Police Services Division general fund (Fund 110, Funds Center 11510) as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS	INCREASE
<u>516020 – Professional Services Contracts &amp; Fees</u>	<u>\$21,557.50</u>
Total	\$21,557.50
REVENUES	INCREASE
<u>409000 – State Revenue</u>	<u>\$21,557.50</u>
Total	\$21,557.50

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