

Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Allocation Of Adoption And Legal Guardianship Incentive Funds For Recruitment Activities From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Social Services

Referred to: The Health, Human Services and Human Rights Committee (Chairman Uchitelle and Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, and McCollough), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Collins, Hansut, Kovacs, Nolan, Roberts, and Uchitelle)

Chairman of the Health, Human Services and Human Rights Committee, Abe Uchitelle, and Deputy Chair Craig V. Lopez offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services has received notification from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) of the availability of federal Adoption and Legal Guardianship Incentive Payment Program funds to help recruit and strengthen kinship foster and adoptive families and promote adoptive placements, thereby increasing the number of children and youth moving from foster care into permanent placements; and

WHEREAS, the County will use the funds to assist in foster/adoptive parent recruitment including advertising recruitment activities, and supporting kinship foster parents in meeting approval requirements, including but not limited to purchasing services and/or items to remove barriers to approval, such as those relating to fire safety requirements, sleeping arrangements, car seats, medical clearances, and transportation; and

WHEREAS, in order to reflect the increased funding an amendment of the 2025 budget is necessary; and

WHEREAS, no County contribution or matching funding is required; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
AA. 6010.2614-4300.4505 (App. #)	Professional Services Other Fees	\$25,000.00

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AA. 6010.2600-3400.4610 (Rev. #)	Federal Aid Social Services Administration,	\$25,000.00
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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Clinton)

Passed Committee: Health, Human Services and Human Rights on April 3, 2025

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on April 10, 2025

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$25,000.00– ADDITIONAL 2025 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$25,000.00– ADDITIONAL 2025 FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS

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STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF ULSTER

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original resolution adopted by the Ulster County Legislature on the 15th Day of April in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and said resolution shall remain on file in the office of said clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 16th Day of April in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
16th Day of April 2025.

Approved by the County Executive this
23rd Day of April 2025.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

[s] Jen Metzger
Jen Metzger, County Executive