



RESOLUTION # 10-8/24

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 8-6

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:

For: 30

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Abs/Excd: 0

Vote Req: -

Other Action: -

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted:

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Abs/Excd: 2

**RE: ACCEPTING A FOSTER PARENT GRANT AWARD FROM THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

**WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Human Services Department has been awarded an Act 260 Foster Parent Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families totaling \$35,420 with a funding period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the grant program, which was created as part of a series of bills passed by the Wisconsin Legislature in 2017 (Act 260), is to support licensed relatives, foster parents, and normalcy opportunities for children in out-of-home care; and,

**WHEREAS**, per the application approved by DCF, the funding will be used by the Human Services Department's Family and Children's Services Section for incentives to retain licensed relatives that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Reimbursing costs related to licensure (i.e., purchasing smoke/carbon monoxide detectors, additional beds, child safety gates, minor home modifications, paying for pet vaccinations)
- Respite costs for caregivers
- Caregiver support groups
- Closet or pantry for placement needs (i.e., diapers, clothing in varying sizes, and other non-perishable items that may be utilized at the time of placement).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that La Crosse County Board hereby accepts Act 260 Foster Parent Grant funding in the amount of \$35,420.00, and the County Administrator is authorized to execute any documents to effectuate this Resolution after approval of Corporation Counsel; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make any necessary and appropriate account transfers related to accepting this additional funding.

**FISCAL NOTE:** The total grant award is \$35,420, with no county match required, and the award period ending June 30, 2025. The operating costs will be tracked under the 210.420.4270 division within the County financial system under the Family and Children's section.

Date: 8-6-2024

[Signature]  
COMMITTEE CHAIR

[Signature] 8-6-24  
RECORDING CLERK

|               | Reviewed Only | Recommended | Not Recommended |   |
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| Co. Admin.    | <u>  </u>     | <u>  </u>   | <u>  </u>       | Requested By: Jason Witt<br>Date Requested: July 24, 2024<br>Drafted By: Jason Witt |
| Fin. Director | <u>  </u>     | <u>  </u>   | <u>  </u>       |   |
| Corp. Counsel | <u>  </u>     | <u>  </u>   | <u>  </u>       |   |
| Board Chair   | <u>  </u>     | <u>  </u>   | <u>  </u>       |   |

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15 Day of August, 2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE  
I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

[Signature]  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk