



TUSCOLA COUNTY

Board of Commissioners

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, July 25, 2024 – 8:00 AM

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723

Public may participate in the meeting electronically:

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Join by Hangouts Meet: meet.google.com/mih-jntr-jya

8:00 AM Call to Order - Chairperson Vaughan
Prayer - Commissioner Lutz
Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Koch
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- Local Units of Government Activity Report

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- County Road Commission Liaison
- Dispatch Authority Board
- Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
- Great Start Collaborative
- Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

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Region VII Economic Development Planning
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
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Board of Health
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NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
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Board of Health
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
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Human Development Commission Board of Directors Liaison

Koch

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Recycling Advisory

Jail Planning Committee

MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

Local Units of Government

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Adjournment

Note: If you need accommodations to attend this meeting, please notify the Tuscola County Controller/Administrator's Office (989-672-3700) two (2) days in advance of the meeting.



MINUTES

Board of Commissioners Meeting

8:00 AM - Thursday, July 11, 2024

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723

Commissioner Vaughan called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723, on Thursday, July 11, 2024, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Prayer - Commissioner Koch

Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Lutz

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan, Bill Lutz, Matt Koch

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Neil Hammerbacher, Steve Anderson, Linda Strasz

Also Present Virtual: Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Mark Haney, Crystal Knoblock, Jon Ramirez, Krystaria Skakle, Renee Francisco, Estee Bitzer, Debbie Babich, Mike Miller, Register Marianne Brandt, Cody Horton, Ashley Gaudett, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Rebecca Evans, Tim Green, Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Katie Robinson

At 8:02 a.m., there were a total of 16 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Adoption of Agenda

1. Adoption of Agenda -

2024-M-155

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Bill Lutz to adopt the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes

1. Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

2024-M-156

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Thomas Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the June 27, 2024 Regular meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only

None

Consent Agenda

2024-M-157

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Items from the July 8, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Letter of Support for Region VII Area Agency on Aging's Proposed Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 -
Move to approve the Letter of Support for Region VII Area on Aging's Proposed Annual Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025.
2. Approval of Proposed Worksite Agreement with Genesee, Shiawassee, Thumb (GST) Michigan Works! for the 2024/2025 Work Experience Program -
Move to approve the Worksite Agreement with GST Michigan Works! for the 2024/2025 Work Experience Program.
3. Appointment of Nicholas Percy as a Member of the Tuscola County Parks and Recreation Committee -
Move to appoint Nicholas Percy as a member of the Tuscola County Parks and Recreation Committee to fill a partial term expiring December 31, 2024.
4. Approval of Budget Amendment Identified by Journal Entry (JE) 22167 -
Move to approve budget amendment identified by JE22167.
5. Approval of Budget Amendment Identified by Journal Entry (JE) 22168 -
Move to approve budget amendment identified by JE22168.

New Business

1. Approval to Purchase Three (3) Portable Radios, Accessories, and Radio Microphone Fees for the Homeland Security Grant -
Steve Anderson, Emergency Manager, explained the request and equipment that will be purchased.

2024-M-158

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Matt Koch to approve the purchase of APX 6000 radios with all needed accessories and MPSCS specified options, and the purchase of MPSCS radio mic fee per Quote 2701039 from MiDEAL for \$18,497.91. Motion Carried.

2. Approval of Budget Amendment Identified by Journal Entry (JE) 22189 - Neil Hammerbacher, Controller-Administrator, explained the request relating to the Homeland Security Grant purchase.

2024-M-159

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Thomas Young to approve budget amendment identified by JE 22189.

Motion Carried.

3. Authorization for Out-of-State Travel - Linda Strasz, Chief Probation Officer, explained the request for staff to travel out-of-state for training. This does qualify for partial reimbursement from the Child Care Fund.

2024-M-160

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Thomas Bardwell to approve the out-of-state travel request for two Juvenile Probation Officers to attend the Association for the Treatment and Prevention of Sexual Abuse (ATSA) Conference in San Antonio, Texas from October 15, 2024 to October 19, 2024 as requested by Sheila Long, Court Administrator. Motion Carried.

Old Business

None

Correspondence/Resolutions

None

Commissioner Liaison Committee Reports

Koch

No Report

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Recycling Advisory

Jail Planning Committee

MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

Local Units of Government

Bardwell

None

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Caro DDA/TIFA

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Lutz

There is a stakeholder meeting upcoming for the TC Mobile Response Team.

Congresswoman Lisa McClain is working to get a grant to repair infrastructure in the Village of Millington.

Commissioner Lutz has reached out to McLaren regarding providing medical office services in his District.

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Jail Planning Committee

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MAC Judiciary Committee

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Local Units of Government Activity Report

Human Development Commission Board of Directors Liaison

Provided numbers of clients that have been serviced from various programs.

Other Business as Necessary

1. Bid opening for Third Party Administrator Contract for CHILL grant once it is awarded -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Personnel Analyst, reported that only one bid was received and per the grant rules there needs to be at least two. The process will need to start over and be readvertised.

At 8:20 a.m., there were a total of 22 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Extended Public Comment

-Clerk Fetting informed the Board of the Early Voting sites that will be open for voters to vote prior to the August 6, 2024 Primary Election. Early Voting will take place July 27, 2024 to August 4, 2024. The Notice can be found at tuscolacounty.org/clerk.

Adjournment

2024-M-161

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Matt Koch to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 a.m.
Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk, CCO

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MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Meeting

8:00 AM - Monday, July 22, 2024

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723

Commissioner Vaughan called the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723, on Monday, July 22, 2024, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan, Bill Lutz, Matt Koch

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Debbie Babich, Shelly Lutz, Linda Strasz, Karen Southgate, Joe Verlin

Also Present Virtual: Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Mark Haney, Carrie Tabar, Estee Bitzer, Jon Ramirez, Renee Francisco, Angie Daniels, Amanda Ertman, Tim Green, Shannon Beach, Barry Lapp, Bob Baxter, Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Tammy Daenzer, Tyler Ray

At 8:03 a.m., there were a total of 12 participants attending the meeting virtually.

New Business

1. Recognition of Lonnie Kester for His Service to Tuscola County as a Member of the Tuscola County Planning Commission -
Kim Vaughan, Chairperson of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, read a letter of appreciation addressed to Lonnie Kester. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
2. Presentation of 2023 Audited, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) -
Joe Verlin, CPA, CGFM, Gabridge & Company, PLC, provided an overview of the County Audit. Tuscola County has earned their Certificate of Achievement Award. The County is in a healthy financial position at year-end with 33.9% Unassigned Fund Balance. The County's revenues have exceeded expenses over the last two years, showing long-term sustainability. The status of the funding of the retirement program is in a stable position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

3. Child Care Fund (292) State Fiscal Year 2024-2025 -
Linda Strasz, Chief Probation Officer, provided an update regarding how the program will receive reimbursement from the State. There will be a reduction in revenue as the program is limited on the fees and costs that can now be assessed. Linda Strasz is requesting to approve the funding and budget plan. The Board would like to verify the amount that has been budgeted for in this matter before approval. Matter to be placed on Thursday's Agenda.
4. Child Care-Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS) Fund (288) Projected Costs and In-Home Care Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Education Program State Fiscal Year 2024-2025 -
Karen Southgate, Director, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), provided an overview of the program. The number of children in the program has been drastically reduced by implementing services in the home to allow children to safely stay in the home or with family. Director Southgate reviewed the amount that should be set aside in the budget line item. Also, she reviewed the cost of the contract with List Psychological. Director Southgate is requesting approval of the program, the contract with List Psychological and the signature on the DHHS document. Matter to be placed on Thursday's Agenda.
5. 2024-2025 Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Contract with List Psychological Services -
Karen Southgate, Director, MDHHS, reviewed the request during the previous item. Matter to be placed on Thursday's Agenda in a separate motion from Item #4.
6. Consideration of Budget Amendment(s) for the Capital Improvements Fund (483) -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Personnel Analyst, and Mike Miller, Building and Grounds Director, explained that the projects came in within the budgeted amount in 2023 but the amount was not included in the 2024 budget, so a budget adjustment needs to occur in the 483 fund in order to pay the invoices received. This is for the Purdy Building Project and the Adult Probation Building. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
7. Discussion of Renewable Energy (Including Solar) Siting -
Kim Vaughan, Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Chairperson, forwarded information to the Commissioners. Clerk Fetting will forward the video to the local Clerks to share with their Boards. Also, there is an article in the Michigan Township Association's newsletter with a link to a sample ordinance for the Townships. Board would like to get a legal opinion on the impact of this to the County as well as reach out to Michigan Association of Counties for their insight.
8. Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Officer Delegate -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Personnel Analyst, stated that Neil Hammerbacher will be the Officer Delegate with Shelly Lutz as the alternate. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
9. Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Employee Delegate -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Personnel Analyst, reported that Wendy Franks will be the Employee Delegate with Daniel Lisowski as the alternate. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

10. Request to Use Courthouse Lawn -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Personnel Analyst, explained the request received from the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

Old Business

1. Consideration of a Revised Interlocal Agreement to Create a Multi-County Materials Management Plan (MMP), Designate a Planning Agency and Establish a Materials Management Planning Committee -
Mike Miller, Recycling Director, reported that Huron County revised the proposed plan which Sanilac County and Lapeer County are planning to adopt. Director Miller reported that all participating counties need to adopt the same plan. The deadline to submit the plan is August 9, 2024. Board would like the County Attorney to do a courtesy review with the matter to be ready for review and potential adoption at the July 25, 2024 Board Meeting.
2. Board of Commissioner Compensation for the Four-Year Term Beginning January 1, 2025 -
Kim Vaughan, Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Chairperson, addressed the issue of establishing the salary for the incoming Board beginning January 1, 2025. Board referenced Motion 14-M-229 regarding when to set the Commissioner Compensation. Board discussed having the Commissioners receive the same increase as the other Elected Officials and Non-Union employees receive. Board is tentatively considering a 3% amount annually. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
3. Open Meetings Act (OMA) Regarding Standing Committees -
Board discussed the issue of having the Standing Committees, that have two Commissioners appointed to each of them, meeting without having a meeting notice posted, a Clerk present nor minutes prepared. Board discussed having only one person represent each of the Committees with an alternate Commissioner appointed. Board would like to have legal counsel review the option of having a one person committee and if the meeting would still need to be posted with minutes taken.

Finance/Technology***Primary Finance/Technology***

1. Executive Summary of the Results of the Information Technology (IT) Audit Performed by the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS) -
Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, reported the findings from the study by the third-party auditors which good scores were received with minor corrections noted.

On-Going and Other Finance

Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, provided an update and effective response time from the IT Department during the CrowdStrike outage that affected Tuscola County last week.

On-Going and Other Technology

None

Building and Grounds

Primary Building and Grounds

1. Consideration of Change Orders for the Peoples State Building (PSB) Building Construction Project -
Mike Miller, Buildings and Grounds Director, explained two change order requests. The first change order is to clean and seal the exposed brick in the inside of the PSB Building in the amount of \$2,251.00. The second change order is for additional access to the cabling in the amount of \$348.00. Both matters to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

On-Going and Other Building and Grounds

None

Personnel

Primary Personnel

1. Consideration of Re-filling a Part-time Position in the Register of Deeds Office -
Debbie Babich, Fiscal Analyst, presented the request received from Register Marianne Brandt to fill the vacant part-time Account Clerk III position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

On-Going and Other Personnel

None

Other Business as Necessary

1. Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) - Energy Study -
Commissioner Bardwell received communication from Huron County regarding an energy study being completed by PACE. Director Miller said Johnson Controls has completed energy studies for many county buildings in the past.

Public Comment Period

-Debbie Babich stated another bid has been received for the Chill Grant via email within the deadline. The bids are to be opened during Thursday's Board meeting. She has received communication that Tuscola County has been awarded the grant with the waiver of receiving more than one bid. The grant agreement will need to be approved for signature at Thursday's meeting. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.

Adjournment

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Thomas Young to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.
Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk, CCO

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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

125 W. Lincoln Street
Suite 500
Caro, MI 48723

Telephone: 989-672-3700
Fax: 989-672-4011

July 25, 2024

Mr. Lonnie Kester
9596 Irish Road
Millington, MI 48746

Dear Mr. Kester,

On behalf of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, we are writing to express our appreciation for the valuable services you have provided as a member of the Tuscola County Planning Commission.

In April 2010, you joined the Planning Commission, providing the community with over 14 years of very useful service. During that time, your position as the Chairperson for 4 years was outstanding. Even during times of dealing with various health concerns, you never stopped being a beneficial member and continued to attend the meetings. During the Murphy Lake short-term rental situation, you did a wonderful job as we understand that there were two very difficult/heated meetings on this issue.

We know that you are a well-respected individual in the community, always wishing those you meet to 'Have a Blessed Day'.

Lonnie, we wish you the very best in the coming years and truly appreciate your being a valued member of the Tuscola County Planning Commission for over 14 years.

Sincerely,

Kim Vaughan, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners



CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Change Proposal Request (CPR)

Project Information	
Project #	23-021
Title	Tuscola County Offices
Address	171 N State St
City, State, Zip	Caro, MI 48723-1660

Change Proposal Request	
Contract #	23-021-001
CPR #	23-021-008
Issue Date	02-Jul-2024
Subject	Interior Brick Cleaning and Sealing

Prime Contract Company	
Contact	Derek M. Booms
Company	Booms Construction, Inc.
Address	1170 N Van Dyke Rd
City, State, Zip	Bad Axe, MI 48413-8076
Phone	

Owner	
Contact	Mike Miller
Company	County of Tuscola
Address	125 W. Lincoln St.
City, State, Zip	Caro, MI 48723-1660
Phone	989-672-3756

Description of the proposed change:

Clean interior brick walls in 103, 200, and 201 with compressed air
 Seal brick with Drylok Clear Masonry Waterproofer
 Labor = \$1,320.00
 Materials = \$637.00
 15% GC = \$294.00
 Total ADD = \$2,251.00

Net Amount of this Proposed Change:

\$2,251.00

The Contract time due to this Change Proposal Request is to be determined at a later date.

This document, when fully executed as accepted, shall constitute authorization to proceed with the work described herein. If accepted, a change order must be processed to modify the contract.

Submitted By

Booms Construction, Inc.
 Company

Derek M. Booms 02-Jul-2024
 By Date

Response: Accept Do Not Accept



CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Change Proposal Request (CPR)

Proposed Items Summary

Order #	Code	Description	Subtotal
5	04	Masonry	2,251.00

Total = \$2,251.00



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City, State, Zip	Caro, MI 48723-1660

Change Proposal Request	
Contract #	23-021-001
CPR #	23-021-009
Issue Date	09-Jul-2024
Subject	Antenna Conduit - Ceiling Access

Prime Contract Company	
Contact	Derek M. Booms
Company	Booms Construction, Inc.
Address	1170 N Van Dyke Rd
City, State, Zip	Bad Axe, MI 48413-8076
Phone	

Owner	
Contact	Mike Miller
Company	County of Tuscola
Address	125 W. Lincoln St.
City, State, Zip	Caro, MI 48723-1660
Phone	989-672-3756

Description of the proposed change:

Cut two sections out of the antenna conduit, one on the first floor and one on the second floor.
 Fire rated 12"x12" access panel installed on the first floor
 Booms Construction = \$178.00
 Maurer Electric = \$130.00
 15% GC = \$27.00
 10% GC = \$13.00
 Total ADD = \$348.00

Net Amount of this Proposed Change:

\$348.00

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Submitted By

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Company

Derek M. Booms 09-Jul-2024
By Date

Response: Accept Do Not Accept



CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Change Proposal Request (CPR)

Proposed Items Summary

Order #	Code	Description	Subtotal
7	06A	Rough carpentry	205.00
24	26	Electrical	143.00

Total = \$348.00

Date: July 18, 2024

To: Tuscola County

RE: Announcement of Funding Award, Required Documentation and IGX Instructions

Dear Grantee:

Congratulations! The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) Neighborhood Development Division (NDD) has approved your request for Community Development Block Grant Funds Housing Improving Local Livability (CHILL). The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the documentation needed to initiate this grant, and how to manage it on the IGX system.

The CHILL Grant Agreement pdf. must be signed and returned to your CDBG Specialist **no later than two weeks from the date of this letter.**

Executing the Grant Agreement and Exhibits

Your agency's highest elected official for local units of government must sign the Grant Agreement.

The Authorized Official must electronically sign the CHILL Grant Agreement.

Authorized Signature Designation Form

Grantee's must submit an Authorized Signature Designation Form if they did not do so during the application process. This formally identifies and designates the person or persons authorized to sign and/or submit grant related reports, forms, and documents on behalf of the governing board. Each signatory must sign in the appropriate spaces on the form next to his or her printed or typed name.

Utilizing the Resources

IGX Help Desk:

Should you experience technical difficulties with IGX, you should contact the Help Desk at 1-800-820-1890 or via email at helpdesk@agatesoftware.com.

Your CDBG Specialist:

You should always feel free to contact your CDBG Specialist-

Jacinda Anderson

andersonj46@michigan.gov

517-241-3531

Assigning Staff to Administer This Grant

Grant Administrator and Authorized Signers can give other agency members or other people outside of the agency, access to the grant. To be given access to a grant, that person must already exist on IGX and be active within the system. Please refer to Section 5 of the IGX Grant User Guide titled "Add/Edit People to the Grant" to complete this process. If you have any technical difficulties with the system, please contact Jodi Mackie at 517-335-0099.

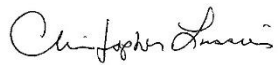
Financial Status Report (FSR) / Payment Request

Payment Requests will be submitted online through the IGX system. Grant Administrator and Authorized Signer(s) are permitted to create an FSR, however, only an Authorized Signer is permitted to submit an FSR.

Payment Requests must be submitted at least quarterly, but not more frequently than monthly. The request should cover expenses for the previous quarter or month and should be submitted by the 15th of the month following the report period.

Keep in mind that any deviations from the terms or conditions of the CHILL Grant Agreement, must be requested, and approved by the Neighborhood Housing Development Division staff. I congratulate you on receiving this award.

Sincerely,



Christopher Lussier, CDBG & MICH Program Manager
Neighborhood Development Division

CDBG Grant #: **MSF-2023-815-CDB**
UEI #: **EHC1YKBPA4Z7**
Effective Date: **June 1, 2024**
Source of Funds: **CDBG Federal–CFDA # 14.228**

CDBG GRANT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

AND

TUSCOLA COUNTY

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN

**THE MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
AND
TUSCOLA COUNTY**

I. GRANT OFFER

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority, a public body corporate and politic of the State of Michigan, whose address is 735 East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48912 (the "Authority"), acting pursuant to the federal Community Development Act Of 1974, as amended (the "Act"), hereby offers to Tuscola County whose address is 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723 (hereinafter the "Grantee"), grant assistance subject to the availability of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, terms, conditions, and limitations as set forth in this grant agreement (the "Grant Agreement").

The maximum amount of grant assistance hereby offered is \$500,000.

The term of work performance by the Grantee under this grant agreement is June 1, 2024 to November 30, 2025. The Authority will provide CDBG funds for the Grantee's eligible expenses in accordance with the attached Conditions.

Dated this ____ day of _____, _____.

Amy Hovey
Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

The foregoing Grant Offer is hereby accepted, and it is agreed that the funds provided will be used only as set forth in the Grant Agreement.

Dated this ____ day of _____, _____.

WITNESSED BY:

Tuscola County

Witness Signature

Authorized Official Signature
Kim Vaughan, Board of Commissioner Chairman

II. GRANT TERMS

The Authority and the Grantee agree as follows:

1. The Grantee shall implement or continue the activities within the projected budget and time frame (the "Grant Term") and in accordance with any special terms and conditions for funding more specifically described and stated in "Exhibit A", which is attached and incorporated herein by reference.
2. The Grantee shall:
 - a. Expend all CDBG program funds in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570 pertaining to eligible project costs for the CDBG program.
 - b. Comply with all the requirements now or hereafter in effect for Title II of the Community Development Act of 1974, the CDBG program, and the regulations appearing at Section 24, Part 570 of the Code of Federal Regulations (24 CFR 570 et seq.), including, but not limited to, the assurances and certifications contained in Section 29 of this Agreement
 - c. Comply with the Federal grant requirements of Title 2, Subtitle A, Chapter II, Part 200 of the Code of Federal Regulations (the "Uniform Guidance") as applicable. In all instances, the Grantee should review the Uniform Guidance requirements applicable to its use of CDBG funds, and CDBG-funded projects, including the Uniform Guidance, as described in the 2022 OMB Compliance Supplement Part 3. Compliance Requirements (issued May 11, 2022).
 - d. Comply with such further statutory, regulatory, and contractual requirement(s) now or hereafter in effect as may be applicable to the receipt and expenditure of CDBG Funds, as administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Authority.
 - e. Utilize grant funds for the approved activities (excluding administration) at the following minimum expenditure rate:

June 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024, complete first draw; and
December 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025, 50% expended; and
June 1, 2025 to November 30, 2025, all grant funded activities substantially complete.

All grant funds must be expended and project activities completed by November 30 2025 and all project closeout activities completed by January 31, 2026.
3. **Effective Date.** The effective date of this Agreement is June 1, 2024. Unless otherwise extended, suspended, or terminated by the Authority, this Agreement shall remain in effect until such time as the Grantee has (1) expended or returned to the Authority the funds authorized hereunder; and (2) met all terms and conditions for the receipt of funds pursuant to this Agreement.
4. **Disbursement of Funds.** The Grantee agrees that disbursement(s) under this Agreement shall be made in accordance with Authority established schedules and procedures. The Grantee further agrees that in the event no funds are disbursed within six (6) months of the

effective starting date as stated in Paragraph 3 above, the funds authorized pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to recapture by the Authority. Further, in no event will a disbursement or further disbursements be made after a notice by the Authority of a violation of this Agreement, which violation has not been corrected to the satisfaction of the Authority.

5. **Administration Costs.** The Grantee acknowledges that a maximum of eighteen percent (18%) of the Total Grant Amount may be utilized for administrative costs. The administrative costs must be allowable, reasonable, and allocable as outlined in 2 CFR 200.403-200.405 and must be in accordance with the CDBG Policy Manual and any written administrative costs policies issued by the Authority. The Grantee may use administrative costs for direct costs as defined in 2 CFR 200.413 and indirect costs as defined in 2 CFR 200.414. If the Grantee uses both direct and indirect costs, the indirect costs must exclude any direct administrative expenses.

The Grantee agrees to provide the Authority with a CDBG Program Administration Report, in the form of a quarterly Financial Status Report (the "FSR"), that documents and itemizes all direct and indirect administrative costs. If the Grantee elects to opt out of utilizing any of the Total Grant Amount towards administrative costs, the Grantee acknowledges that it cannot amend the Project Budget post-grant award to add it in as a funding component. CDBG Program funds are not to be used for research and development as defined in 2 CFR 200.1.

The Grantee is permitted to draw down administrative costs at a rate commensurate with the rate of project cost expenditures. While the Grantee may incur additional administrative expenses, the drawdown of these costs must maintain an equal ratio to the drawdown of project expenditures. This ensures that the allocation of funds remains proportionate throughout the duration of the project. Any deviation from this equal ratio drawdown policy will require prior written approval from the Authority.

6. **Advancement of Funds.** The Grantee is permitted to request an advance payment of funds, up to twenty-five percent (25%) of their budgeted project costs. The budgeted project costs are defined as the total grant award minus the allocated administrative costs. This advance payment is specifically intended for construction costs that the Grantee has contractually committed to with a contractor or developer and may not be used to pay for administrative costs. The intention of this advance payment is to provide the Grantee with the necessary funds to initiate construction. Any request for such an advance payment must be submitted in writing and approved by the Grantor prior to disbursement of funds.

If an advance of funds is made pursuant to this Agreement for a specific purpose and is not used by the Grantee for that purpose or another purpose permitted under this Agreement and approved by the Authority within 180 calendar days, or if the Grantee decides not to use the money, upon such disbursement or upon such decision, the Grantee shall immediately return to the Authority the funds advanced.

7. **Availability of Funds.** The State of Michigan CDBG Housing Program awards funds based upon year-to-date federal appropriations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Further, all Authority CDBG funding is subject to the availability of funds since the Housing Program is dependent upon federal appropriations and/or rescissions. Therefore, it is possible grants could be reduced accordingly on a unilateral basis.
8. **Increase of Funds.** The Grantee agrees that the Authority may, at its own discretion and

with the written concurrence of the Grantee, increase the amount of funds available to the Grantee under this Agreement by amending the program description, program budget, and special conditions contained in Exhibit A. The Grantee further agrees that any such increases shall be governed by the terms of this Agreement and such other statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements now or hereafter in effect for the receipt and expenditure the funds as administered by HUD or the Authority.

9. **Monitoring.** The Grantee agrees that the Authority may, at the Authority's discretion, audit the Grantee for compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Grantee further agrees to provide any books, records, or other documentation in such form and at such place as the Authority may request.
10. **Records Retention Period.** The Grantee shall retain all financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other pertinent records for a period of four (4) years. The retention period shall commence from the date that the Grantee's final audit and report are approved by the Authority.
11. **Reporting Schedule.** The Grantee shall prepare and submit reports and documents relating to and supportive of the activities described in Exhibit A as the Authority may require, including, but to limited to:

TYPE OF REPORT

DUE DATE

A. Accounting Certification

Prior to disbursement of funds.

B. Financial Status Reports (FSR)
commonly referred to as
"payment requests".

The 15th of the month following the report period. Payment requests should be submitted at least quarterly but not more than monthly.

C. Interim and Final Single Audit reports prepared by a certified public accountant.

Nine months after the Grantee's fiscal year end in which the funds governed by this Agreement have been expended. Please refer to the Neighborhood Development Division's (NDD) Supplemental Audit Guide for additional audit instructions.

12. All reports, correspondence, and documents required under this Agreement shall be submitted to:

CDBG Address:

Michigan State Housing Development Authority
NDD - CDBG
735 East Michigan Avenue, PO Box 30044
Lansing, MI 48909

Grantee Address:

Kim Vaughan
Tuscola County
125 W Lincoln St
Caro, MI 48723

13. **Procurement**. The Grantee shall ensure that all procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner that provides for maximum open and free competition.
14. **Reasonable Costs**. The Grantee hereby agrees that payment for services, supplies or materials shall not exceed the amount ordinarily paid for such services, supplies or materials in the area where the services are rendered, or the supplies or materials are furnished.
15. **Cost Overruns**. All cost overruns shall be the responsibility of the Grantee.
16. **General Compliance**. All aspects of the Grantee's plan for the use of funds authorized pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all supporting documents, site plans, design plans and specifications, shall be subject to review and approval by Authority staff to ensure compliance with Authority, state and federal guidelines, standards and criteria and shall not be altered without prior written approval from the Authority.
17. **Records Review**. The Grantee hereby agrees that all aspects of the activities described in Exhibit A and all documents relating to and supportive of said activities, including, but not limited to, specifications and reports of funds expended, shall be freely available to the Authority or its authorized representatives for review by the Authority to ensure conformity with the terms of this Agreement.
18. **Contractors and Subcontractors**.
 - a. The Grantee, all contractors and subcontractors shall ensure that any construction, rehabilitation, or conversion implemented pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement will be sufficient to effect decent, safe, and sanitary conditions and meet all applicable local building codes.
 - b. The Grantee, all contractors and subcontractors shall ensure that all precautions are exercised at all times for the protection of persons and property and shall observe the safety provisions of all applicable laws and building and construction codes.
 - c. The Grantee, all contractors and subcontractors shall secure all necessary certificates and permits from municipal or other public authorities as may be required in connection with the performance of this Agreement.
 - d. The Grantee, all contractors and subcontractors shall maintain during the term of this Agreement public liability, property damage, and worker's compensation insurance insuring the interests of all parties to this Agreement against any and all claims which may arise out of the Grantee's or contractor's or subcontractor's operations under this Agreement.
19. **Discrimination**. The Grantee agrees that all activities assisted pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement must be open to all regardless of age, height, weight, marital status, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity or expression), race, color, religion, or national origin (including limited English proficiency), partisan considerations, or a disability or genetic information, and that all contractors, subcontractors, subgrantees, and sub-recipients involved must take affirmative action to assure an equal opportunity for employment, without discrimination as to age, height, weight, marital status, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity or expression), race, color, religion, or national

origin, partisan considerations, or a disability or genetic information that is unrelated to the person's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position, in accordance with the following authorities: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) Public Law 88-352, 42 U.S.C. 2000d-1 et seq., and the Department's implementing regulations, 31 CFR part 22; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), Public Law 93-112, as amended by Public Law 93-516, 29 U.S.C. 794; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), 20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq., and the Department's implementing regulations, 31 CFR part 28; Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Public Law 94-135, 42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq., and the Department implementing regulations at 31 CFR part 23.

20. **Conflict of Interest.** If any member of the Grantee's Board of Directors or staff has an identity of interest with (a) any of the staff persons hired, (b) any of the persons or households to be assisted directly or indirectly with the funds, or (c) the persons and/or businesses retained to perform technical services hereunder or with persons or businesses providing supplies or services for which funds are being advanced under this Agreement in the form of 10% or more voting stock in such business, or interest as a director or officer of such business, or financial interest directly or indirectly in an amount of 10% or more, or in the form of common immediate family membership, the Grantee shall make written disclosure of the nature and extent of the relationship to the Authority prior to contracting with such persons and/or businesses. The Grantee further agrees not to enter into any contractual relation with any of the persons or entities listed above unless it has received written approval from the Authority. The Grantee and its Board of Directors, staff, agent, consultant, officer, or elected or appointed official must also comply with all applicable Authority and HUD requirements and regulations regarding conflicts of interest, including but not limited to 2 CFR 200.112 and 2 CFR 200.318.
21. **Liability.** The Authority, the State of Michigan, their officers, agents, and employees shall not, in any manner, be liable for any loss or damage connected to or resulting from activities implemented under this Agreement; nor, or for any injury or damages to any person whether an employee of the Grantee or otherwise, or for damage to any materials, equipment, or other property that may be used or employed in connection herewith.
22. **Hold Harmless.**
 - a. All liability to third parties, loss or damage as a result of claims, demands, costs, or judgments arising out of activities, such as direct service delivery, to be carried out by the Grantee in the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of the Grantee, and not the responsibility of the Authority, if the liability, loss, or damage is caused by, or arises out of, the actions or failure to act on the part of the Grantee, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Grantee, provided that nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity that has been provided to the Grantee or its employees by statute or court decisions.
 - b. All liability to third parties, loss or damage as a result of claims, demands, costs, or judgments arising out of activities, such as direct service delivery, to be carried out by the Authority in the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of the Authority, and not the responsibility of the Grantee, if the liability, loss, or damage is caused by, or arises out of, the actions or failure to act on the part of the Authority, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Authority, provided that nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity that has been provided to the Authority or its employees by statute or court decisions.

- c. In the event that liability to third parties, loss or damage arises as a result of activities conducted jointly by the Grantee and the Authority in fulfillment of their responsibilities under this agreement, such liability, loss, or damage shall be borne by the Grantee and the Authority in relation to each party's responsibilities under these joint activities, provided that nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity by the Grantee, the State, its agencies (or the Authority) or their employees, respectively by statute or court decisions.
23. **Violations of Grant Agreement.** The Authority reserves the right to pursue all remedies available to it to cure any violation of this Agreement. In the event the Grantee violates any of the provisions of this Agreement, the Authority shall notify the Grantee and give a 30-day period for the Grantee to correct the violation. In the event the violation is not corrected to the satisfaction of the Authority, within the time prescribed herein, this Agreement may be terminated forthwith by the Authority.
24. **Suspension of Grant.** If the Grantee has failed to comply with this Agreement, or in the event that funds are no longer available to the Authority, on reasonable notice to the Grantee, the Authority may suspend the grant and prevent further electronic funds transfer or prohibit the Grantee from incurring additional obligations of grant funds, pending corrective action by the Grantee, resumption of funding to MSHDA for the CDBG program, or a decision to terminate in accordance with this Agreement. The Authority shall reimburse the Grantee for all necessary and proper costs which the Grantee could not reasonably avoid during the period of suspension.
25. **Termination for Cause.** The Authority may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, at any time before the date of completion, if the Authority determines that the Grantee has failed to comply with the conditions of this Agreement or in the event that funds are no longer available to the Authority. The Authority shall promptly notify the Grantee in writing of the determination and the reasons for the termination, together with the effective date. Payments made to recipients or recapture of funds by the Authority shall be in accordance with the legal rights and liabilities of the parties.
26. **Termination for Convenience.** The Authority or the Grantee may terminate this Agreement in whole, or in part, when both parties agree that the continuation of the project would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds. The two parties shall agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date and, in the case of partial terminations, the portion to be terminated. The Grantee shall not incur new obligations for the terminated portion after the effective date, and shall cancel as many outstanding obligations as possible. The Authority shall pay from available Grant funds; the Grantee's share of the non-cancelable obligations, properly incurred by the Grantee prior to termination.
27. **Remedies.** The Grantee hereby agrees that the election of the Authority to pursue any of the remedies set forth herein shall not be construed to preclude or be a waiver of the right to pursue any of the other remedies.
28. **Federal System for Award Management (SAM).** The Grantee must register with the SAM before any CDBG funds will be disbursed and must maintain an active registration throughout the period of performance. The SAM website is: <https://www.sam.gov/SAM>. In accordance with federal Uniform Guidance, any CDBG funds received must be included on the eligible applicant's Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) and included within the scope of the eligible applicant's Single Audit.

29. **Specific Compliance Requirements.** The Grantee hereby assures and certifies compliance with the statutes, rules, regulations, and guidelines associated with the acceptance and use of funds under the CDBG program as implemented pursuant to regulations contained in 24 CFR Part 570 and as administered by the Authority on behalf of the State of Michigan. Such assurances and certifications include, but are not limited to, the following:
- a. The execution of this Agreement is authorized under State and local statutes, and the Grantee possesses the legal authority to implement the CDBG program described herein and in accordance with regulations contained in 24 CFR Part 570 et. seq.
 - b. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.426, and HUD CPD Notice 04-11 to assure that any repayment, interest, and other program income shall be returned to the Authority.
 - c. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.904 pertaining to equal opportunity and fair housing.
 - d. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.606 pertaining to displacement, relocation, acquisition, and replacement housing.
 - e. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.608 and 24 CFR Part 35 pertaining to the testing for and abatement of lead-based paint in HUD-associated housing.
 - f. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.611 pertaining to conflict of interest.
 - g. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.605 pertaining to flood insurance.
 - h. The Grantee shall implement its CDBG program in conformance with the requirements of 24 CFR 570.489(c) to assure that no funds available under this agreement are requested until funds are needed for payment of eligible costs. Further, the amount requested must be limited to the amount needed.
 - i. The Grantee shall comply with all other requirements of the CDBG program which may be now or hereafter applicable to a CDBG Grantee as determined by the Authority pursuant to the requirements of 24 CFR 570 et. seq.
 - j. The Grantee acknowledges and agrees that whenever CDBG funds are used for rehabilitation, the work must be performed according to the Grantee's written rehabilitation standards and must, at a minimum, meet the housing quality standards contained in 24 CFR 882.109 for the duration of this Agreement.
30. **Severability.** The parties hereby agree that the invalidity of any clause, part, or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

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UEI #: EHC1YKBPA4Z7
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Grant Term **June 1, 2024 to November 30, 2025**

Budget:

Component/Activity	Funds Awarded	Leverage Funds	Total
HIP	410,000		410,000
Admin	90,000		90,000
TOTAL	500,000		500,000

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Project Description:

12 units will be assisted. The project will work to maintain and rehabilitate existing homes to preserve and enhance communities' unique character; protecting the identity and stability of residential neighborhoods; and removing unsanitary/unsafe housing through; and, promoting the improvement and beautification of neighborhoods.

The Project will meet HUD's National Objective of Low Mod Housing (LMH) for participants who are at or below 80% AMI.

Pre-Disbursement Conditions:

Environmental Release of Funds letter
Program Guidelines

Special Conditions and/or Contingency Requirements:

FY 2025
Presentation to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Child Care Fund Projected Costs and In-Home Care
Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Education Program
7/22/24

MDHHS Tuscola County is requesting Tuscola County Board of Commissioner (BOC) approval for the following:

- **Board of Commissioner approval for the continuation of the Child Care Fund In-Home Care Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Program from October 1, 2024, – September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$72,820.**
- **Board of Commissioner chairperson’s signature on the Independent Contract Agreement between List Psychological Service PLC. And Tuscola County for October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025.**
- **Board of Commissioner chairperson’s signature on the Fiscal Year 2025 MDHSS-2091**

Rationale:

For the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Tuscola County Child Care Fund 2024-25 budget year, MDHHS continues to utilize the State Pays First program for foster care, residential and independent living costs. The State Pays First Project was implemented October 1, 2019, and streamlines payment processing for providers serving MDHHS-supervised youth (abuse/neglect, juvenile justice, and dual wards) by allowing County Child Care Fund (CCF) funded-placements and services to be paid directly from the MDHHS MiSACWIS case management and payment system. For MDHHS-supervised cases, the department issues payment to providers for placement and services. MDHHS Central Office reconciles amounts owed between the department and county through the Chargeback/Offset process without involving the providers. MDHHS pays upfront for the service and then bills the County for 50% of the cost of Family Foster Care, Institutional Care and Independent Living. For In-Home Care services, effective 10/1/23, reimbursement is now at 75%. (Reimbursement for In-Home Care services had been 50% from 2012 until FY 23.)

Because of this, there is no projection of MDHHS Foster Care, Institutional or Independent Living expenses on the MDHHS 2091 as in past years. The only expense for MDHHS included on the MDHHS-2091 is the In-Home Program expense described below.

To keep the Board of Commissioners (BOC) informed on projected expenses to be billed back to the county at 50%, we provide the following Fiscal Year 2025 projections:

Family Foster Care	\$75,000
Institutional Care	\$100,000
Independent Living	\$15,000

Projections are used as it is difficult to determine the number of youth that will come into care and may need residential placement. Board of Commissioner approval of the above expenses is not needed, and the above projections are provided for informational purposes only.

Board of Commissioner approval is needed for the continuation of the Child Care Fund In-Home Care Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Program from October 1, 2024- September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$72,820. In addition, the Board of Commissioner chairperson's signature is needed on the MDHSS-2091 (to be provided from the court) as well as on the Contract with List Psychological Service PLC. (attached).

It is respectfully requested that the Tuscola County BOC support the continuation of the CCF In-Home Care Supervised Visitation and Parent Education Program (PESVP) to include Tuscola County continuing the Contract with List Psychological. This contract has been reviewed and approved by the Tuscola County Attorney (contract provided). The FY 25 contract amount is just under the amount of the FY 24 contract. The cost of the contract for FY 2025 (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) would be 1,980 units (hours) (a reduction from 2,080 hours in FY 24) at \$34.00 per hour/unit (an increase from \$32.50 in FY 24) plus \$5,000 in mileage and \$500 in Specific Assistance reimbursement for a total of \$72,820. After eligible 75% Child Care Fund State reimbursement, the cost to Tuscola County would be approximately \$18,205.

For Tuscola County, from October 1, 2021 – May 29, 2024, there were 30 youth in foster care who were not referred to the PESVP, and there were 13 youth referred. For the 30 youth not referred, the days in foster care averaged 822. For those referred to the PESVP, the average number of days was 322. Those in the PESVP experienced an average of 500 less foster care days. Calculating the average daily cost of foster care ($\$22.35 + 26.69 / 2 = \24.52 per hour – this does not account for added costs associated with special needs), there is a projected savings of \$159,380 in foster care dollars. ($500 \times \$24.52 \times 13$ youth = \$159,380 projected savings in foster care dollars from October 1, 2021 – May 29, 2024, with 500 less days in foster care for youth).

The PESVP also services Children's Protective Services (CPS) cases. From October 1, 2021 – May 29, 2024, 17 youth with open CPS ongoing cases were referred for PESVP services. Of the 17 youth referred, only 3 children as part of one family were eventually removed from the parental home.

The CCF reimbursement program is the result of a collaborative effort between Michigan's circuit courts, county governments, tribes, state and county MDHHS to support the reimbursement of costs for programming for neglected, abused, and delinquent youth in Michigan. Most of the programming is designed and administered by Michigan's circuit courts, county governments, tribes, and county MDHHS offices, based on the needs of the community. The State of Michigan oversees and administers required programming at the state level for youth placed in out-of-home care due to abuse or neglect cases. After expenditures have been incurred, requests for reimbursement for eligible direct out-of-home placements and in-home care (IHC) services are made to the state MDHHS.

MDHHS receives an annual, legislatively appropriated budget to support CCF reimbursement-eligible programs and placements for eligible child welfare and juvenile justice youth as defined below:

- An MDHHS youth in either a Category I or II Children's Protective Services case.
- Any youth in a court ordered MDHHS-supervised foster care placement.
- A delinquent youth for whom a petition, complaint, or referral has been filed and accepted by the court, and who:

- Receives IHC intensive services, or
- Is placed in court ordered out-of-home care, or
- Has a plan for early exit from out-of-home care.

CCF is the primary fund source for serving delinquent, neglected, and/or abused youth. Each Michigan county/tribe has a specific account for their CCF, which is funded primarily through county tax dollars and donations. The state supports the county's CCF with a 50-percent reimbursement on eligible direct costs. The goal of CCF reimbursement is to ensure funding for programs that provide services aimed at keeping children in their homes through successful intervention and rehabilitation for juveniles and to assist with achieving permanency for children in a safe and timely manner. CCF reimbursement assists with costs for intensive IHC services, out-of-home placements, and related supportive services such as drug screening and therapy. An IHC program is intended to provide early intervention services for youth who are within, or likely to come within, the jurisdiction of the family court for delinquency, abuse, or neglect and/or those affecting a youth's early return to his or her home from foster care or institutional care.

The Tuscola County PESVP provides parent education as well as supervised face-to-face contact between parents and their children while the in-home care provider teaches and demonstrates to parents appropriate parenting techniques, discipline, and family interaction. The PESVP serves youth/families in an MDHHS Category I or II Children's Protective Services case and/or youth/families in court-ordered MDHHS-supervised foster care. The goal of the program is to reduce the number of youth petitioned through abuse/neglect court proceedings and to reduce the number of days in family foster care. The focus of the PESVP is to provide early intervention to educate parents and to treat within the child's home.

The IHC contracted provider would be responsible for providing a safe, nurturing environment for parent education and parenting time and assisting in furthering the development of parenting skills that are healthy and promote child well-being. Cases are assigned via a referral from MDHHS staff through which a written visitation and/or education plan is developed incorporating strengths, needs, goals, objectives, parenting time schedules, locations, and parenting issues that need be addressed. Some of the duties of the PESVP IHC provider include: teaching parents, mentoring parents, modeling behaviors for parents, coordinating and arranging visits (including transportation arrangement), maintaining a visitation environment that is healthy for all and interceding on the children's behalf if inappropriate behaviors are observed, providing parental direction, maintain ongoing conferencing with MDHHS staff, testifying in court, completing required documentation, and enforcing specific court visitation requirements, etc. For youth in out of home placement, the case plan would reflect an early return goal.

Note: The PESVP IHC program operated from fiscal year 2012 through fiscal year 2018. Based on information that contract dollars might be available through the state, the program ended March 31, 2018. On July 11, 2019, the Tuscola County BOC approved reinstating the program and a contract with List Psychological. The program has been ongoing since then; however, the restrictions on face-to-face services from the COVID-19 pandemic and the lack of a List Psychological service provider resulted in decreased program utilization from March 2020 to present. In FY 24, the contractor was on medical leave which accounts for a decrease in units used.

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Since 2012, MDHHS Tuscola County observed the following estimated savings in foster care days for youth and foster care dollars spent:

Fiscal Year	Youth	Budget	Remaining	Spent	Cost to County after 75% (50% from 2012 to FY23) Reimbursement from the State	Ave. CFC Days Saved	Estimated Savings (at \$18.92 x days x youth through FY 2022 and at \$23.11 x days x youth in FY 23; FY 2024 at \$24.52 x days x youth)
2024 10/1/23 – 4/30/24	11	\$73,100.00	\$67,841.10	\$5,258.90	\$1,314.73	500	\$134,860.00
2023	10	\$73,100.00	\$57,730.72	\$15,369.28	\$7,684.64	182	\$35,127.20
2022	18	\$67,900.00	\$32,321.23	\$35,578.77	\$17,789.39	182	\$79,914.38
2021	22	\$67,900.00	\$52,699.73	\$15,200.27	\$7,600.14	158	\$86,691.44
2020	18	\$67,900.00	\$56,133.09	\$11,766.91	\$5,883.46	NA	NA
2019	0	\$19,375.00	\$19,375.00	0	0	NA	NA
2018	37	\$37,496.00	\$6,829.35	\$30,666.65	\$15,333.33		Program ended mid-year
2017	49	\$108,378.00	\$56,652.81	\$51,725.19	\$25,862.60	211	\$195,613.88
2016	70	\$106,684.00	\$28,876.02	\$77,807.98	\$38,903.99	218	\$288,719.20
2015	86	\$109,572.00	\$35,497.41	\$74,074.59	\$37,037.30	285	\$463,729.20
2014	72	\$77,367.20	\$16,172.86	\$61,194.34	\$30,597.17	138	\$187,989.12
2013	63	\$54,660.00	\$13,657.55	\$41,002.45	\$20,501.23	325.8	\$388,340.57
2012		\$54,660.00	\$11,046.91	\$43,613.09	\$21,806.55		

In addition, since 2013, MDHHS Tuscola County has shown a decrease in the number of youth in foster care from 120 to 18. We attribute this in part to the PESVP IHC program.

Thank you to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners for their time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Southgate, Director
MDHHS Tuscola County

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT
TUSCOLA COUNTY, MI
List Psychological Services PLC, 443 N. State St., Caro, MI 48723

This agreement, made and entered into effective October 1, 2024 to be effective through September 30, 2025, by and between Tuscola County (“County” or “Tuscola County”), and List Psychological Services P.L.C, 443 N. State St., Caro, MI 48723 (“Contractor”).

WHEREAS, Tuscola County desires to establish an independent contractor relationship for providing services as Tuscola County deems necessary; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is ready, willing and able to provide services as desired by Tuscola County and is recognized as an *independent contractor*.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of this mutual agreement hereinafter contained, subject to the terms and conditions, hereby understood, and agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

ELIGIBLE CLIENTS: The Contractor shall provide services to referred children or families who have an active:

- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Tuscola County Child Protective Services (CPS) Category I or II cases or;
- MDHHS Tuscola County Foster Care Case (CFC) with children under the age of 18 or;
- Tuscola County Family Court Delinquency Case.

Referral source will be MDHHS or as ordered by the Court. Referrals to Contractor shall be approved by the caseworker’s supervisor.

Services may continue if a move occurs into an adjacent county if the youth or family remains involved in an MDHHS Tuscola County CPS/CFC case, Tuscola County Delinquency Case or under the jurisdiction of the Tuscola County Court.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

- Within 7 business days of the referral, the Contractor shall:
 - Initiate contact with the referral source;
 - Confirm referral and
 - Discuss case dynamics.
- Within 10 business days of the referral, the Contactor and MDHHS caseworker or Family Court representative will meet face to face with the family and:
 - Identify family needs and strengths;
 - Identify child needs and strengths;
 - Develop service goals and objectives;
 - Identify community services already in place;
 - Identify any safety issues or anticipated concerns
 - Set up any a supervised visitation plan and

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- Establish time frames and a schedule of contacts.
- Within 15 business days of the referral, the Contractor will:
 - Develop an action plan including:
 - Identified family needs and strengths;
 - Identified child needs and strengths;
 - Service goals and objectives;
 - Identified community services already in place;
 - Identified any safety issues or anticipated concerns
 - Supervised visitation plan and
 - Established time frames and a schedule of contacts.
 - Provide a copy of the action plan to the referral source and to the family.
- Provision of services can include but is not limited to:
 - Supervised face-to-face contact between parents and their children and/or
 - Parent education while the contractor teaches, mentors and models behaviors including but not limited to demonstrating appropriate:
 - Parenting techniques
 - Discipline
 - Family interaction
 - Nutrition
 - Money management
 - Facilitation of connections to community resources
 - Home upkeep and maintenance
 - Communication skills
 - Coordination and arrangement of parental visits (including transportation arrangement)
 - Coordination and arrangement of client's attendance at community service appointments
 - Enforcement of a visitation environment that is healthy for all and complies with referral source requirements
 - Interceding on the children's behalf if inappropriate behaviors are observed
 - Planning for transportation to necessary activities when warranted
 - Transporting children or parents to necessary activities when warranted
 - Maintaining ongoing conferencing with referral source
 - Testifying in court
 - Completing required documentation
- Within 5 business days of each family visit, an emailed narrative and a Summary and Contact Sheet will be provided to the referral source. These reports will summarize the visit as it relates to the action plan including how the family has or has not met their goals and objectives as well as any strengths, weaknesses, interventions, preparation for the visit, activities, subjects discussed and any barriers in meeting the plan of action.
- A Closing Documentation report is due upon closure of the case. This report shall address:

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- Closure reason
- Safety issues, anticipated concerns, safety plan
- Placement/living arrangement of children at closure
- Closing summary

COMMUNICATION: Communication with the referral source shall occur weekly informing of the progress or lack of progress that is being made. This communication can be by phone, email or face to face.

Contractor will provide a business phone number and answering point for the client, referring worker, supervisor, Tuscola County, and/or other community members to establish contact and/or leave a message.

CLIENT RECORDS: Contractor shall maintain and be able to produce upon request the following documents:

- Referral form;
- Date of contacts – contact summaries;
- Methods of service delivery;
- All contacts with client;
- Documentation of events;
- Any other documentation that may pertain to clients;
- Total number of units of service delivered to each client
- Record of mileage
- Record of Specific Assistance expenses

All records and documentation shall be maintained in a safe and secure location and in compliance with any applicable state and federal regulations.

COMPENSATION: By the 5th business day of the following month, Contractor shall submit a payment invoice for verification of mileage, Specific Assistance expenses, units provided, and contacts made during the billing cycle at the unit rate. Reimbursement shall be made on a monthly basis. Requests for payment over 90-day period may be denied payment. A unit is defined as one hour of the Contractor’s time providing services to eligible clients, as outlined in the provision of services, and approved client services plans when applicable. Billable services include case consultation, face-to-face client contact, collateral contacts, travel time, transportation of family members when required and case related office activities including preparation of required reports. Units shall be billed in one quarter of an hour increments. Contractor shall provide up to 1,980 hours at the unit rate of **\$34.00** per hour equaling **\$67,320.00**. In addition, Contractor is allowed **\$500.00** in Specific Assistance reimbursement of approved purchases made on behalf of the referred client(s) and **\$5000.00** in mileage reimbursement from Contractor’s Office at 651 N. State St., Caro, MI or the Tuscola County Courthouse, 440 N. State St, Caro, MI, or the contractor’s home whichever is closer to the destination. Incurred mileage to be reimbursed includes providing transportation to a referred client, driving to and from a referred client’s home, driving to and from a scheduled client appointment, driving to and from a court hearing at the request of the referring MDHHS worker and driving to and from sites other than the client’s home for purposes of advocacy on behalf of the client. Contractor agrees to provide documentation satisfactory to the County to verify reimbursement for Specific Assistance and mileage under this Agreement. Total contract cost will not exceed **\$72,820**.

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No other funding through fees or charges to any client is permitted under this Agreement.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: It is agreed that the contractor is acting as an independent contractor, representing itself to the general public as an independent contractor for the other work or contracts as contractor desires; furthermore, it is agreed that Tuscola County will not discourage or inhibit the contractor from entering into any other contracts for like or similar services; furthermore, it is agreed this agreement is not exclusive.

CONFIDENTIALITY: The use or disclosure of information concerning services to applicants or recipients obtained in connection with the performance of the Agreement shall be restricted to purpose directly connected with the administration of the programs implemented by this Agreement. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal and state privacy statutes, rules and regulations. Contractor shall at all times treat each individual to which services are provided with dignity and respect.

TAXES: It is agreed that the Contractor shall accept full responsibility for any and all taxes that may be lawfully due to any governmental unit as a result of payments made by Tuscola County. Tuscola County shall provide a Form 1099 to Contractor at the end of the year for tax purposes.

INSURANCE COVERAGE: At all times during the pendency of this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain professional and general liability insurance in such amounts as are necessary to cover all claims which may arise out of the Contractor's operations and shall name County as an additional insured on such policies. Contractor agrees to provide County with proof of such coverage. Contract also agrees to maintain unemployment compensation coverage, and worker's compensation insurance in accordance with the applicable Federal and State law and regulations.

Contractor shall at all times be regarded as an independent contractor and shall not at any time as an agent for Tuscola County.

LIABILITY: The Contractor shall indemnify, save and hold harmless Tuscola County against any and all expenses and liability of any kind which Tuscola County may sustain, incur or be required to pay arising out of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees. Further, if the Contractor becomes involved in or is threatened with litigation, the Contractor shall immediately notify Tuscola County of the same.

TERM: This agreement shall commence on October 1, 2024, and continue through September 30, 2025.

TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT: Payment source is solely based on available funds, and if availability of the funds no longer exists, the agreement is terminated immediately.

Either County or Contractor may terminate the Agreement with 30 days written notice to the other.

CHANGES: A review of the contract will be conducted annually. Any changes in the terms and conditions provided for under this agreement shall be agreed upon in advance by both parties in writing. Failure to agree upon such changes or failure to sign such changes shall terminate the agreement immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed by their respective officers duly authorized to do so.

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Jacqueline List, COO, List Psychological Services PLC

Date

Kim Vaughan, Chairperson, Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Date

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CHILD CARE FUND FY 2025
October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025

The Child Care Fund is a fund source for serving juvenile justice, neglected, and/or abused youth who cannot be funded through Title IV-E federal funds. Each Michigan county/tribe has a specific account for their CCF which is funded primarily through county tax dollars and donations. The state supports the county CCF with a cost share on eligible direct expenditures and indirect cost allotment to fund administrative expenditures. The goal of CCF reimbursement is to ensure funding for programs aimed at keeping youth in their homes through successful intervention and rehabilitation.

With the Juvenile Justice Reform there are many changes which will need to be adhered to be able to obtain reimbursement. The Raise the Age funding which was reimbursed at 100% will end on September 30, 2024. Community based services (CBS) previously known as in home programming will be reimbursed at 75% while out of home placements will be at 50%. As part of the increased reimbursement the courts must:

- 1) Adopt a validated risk assessment tool to use before disposition
- 2) Adopt a validated risk screening tool to guide diversion and consent calendar decisions. A validated mental help screening tool will also need to be used to guide these decisions
- 3) Adopt a detention screening tool to inform the use of secure detention
- 4) Utilize research based juvenile specific probation standards as developed and approved by the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO)
- 5) Utilize Quality Assurance measures- as we receive the basic grant we will not have to hire a quality assurance specialist but will have to adhere to quality assurance measures.
- 6) Develop a data collections plan to ensure screening and assessment tools and community based interventions are implemented with and adhere to fidelity.
- 7) Submit a quarterly reporting form to MDHHS.

Other changes with the reform is that the courts will no longer be able to assess charges to family which means a reduction in revenue.

Programming continues to be provided to youth in the community by having the Tuscola County Academy which allows youth on probation to maintain their education when suspended, expelled or a virtual student who is not doing their work. Teen Support and Parent Support Groups are provided by List Psychological Services. During FY24 we added the component of Juvenile Mental Health Court which is actively up and running.

The Basic Grant is provided to rural counties with a population of 75,000 or less. It approved within the FY23 budgeted to be increased from \$15,000.00 to \$56,520.00 and is reimbursed at 100%. Within the basic grant we have the community park project, summer school and services for youth.

PROPOSED CCF BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2025

Tuscola County Family Court is requesting the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners approval for the following:

- Child Care Fund Fiscal Year 2025 Community Based Programming in the amount of \$ 849,860.56
- Board of Commissioner's Chairperson's signature on the Fiscal Year MDHSS-2091.

Out of Home Care:	\$319,000.00
Community Based Services:	\$530,860.56
Revenue:	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$849,860.56

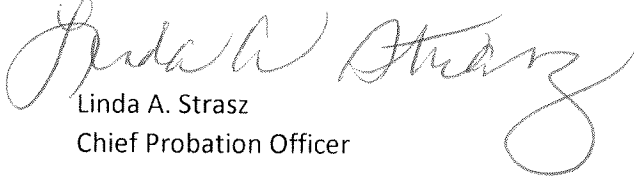
Basic Grant	\$56,520.00
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Child Care Fund Budget for FY24 was as follows:

Out of Home Care:	\$319,000.00
In Home Care:	\$502,263.55
Revenue	\$20,000.00
TOTAL	\$801,563.55

Basic Grant	\$56, 520.00
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Respectfully submitted,



Linda A. Strasz
Chief Probation Officer

TUSCOLA COUNTY
JOURNAL ENTRY
JE: 22233

Post Date: 07/25/2024
Entry Date: 07/17/2024
Description: TO AMEND BUDGET FOR INVOICES RECEIVED

Entered By: TCACONDR
Journal: BA

GL #	Description	Increase/ (Decrease)
483-933-013.001	WINDOWS PURDY BUILDING	14,600.00
483-933-980.015	PURDY BLDG WINDOW LENTILS	149,000.00
483-938-971.023	SIDING	56,455.00
	Revenue Change:	0.00
	Expenditure Change:	220,055.00
	Budgeted Change To Fund Balance:	(220,055.00)

APPROVED BY: _____

rate of \$19.73 per hour. All pre-employment requirements have been met including a satisfactory background check, physical and drug test.

New Business

1. Purdy Building Repairs -

Mike Miller, Building and Grounds Director, presented the matter at the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 11, 2023.

2023-M-264

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Thomas Bardwell to approve the repair work to the Purdy Building Lintels by National Restoration Inc. not to exceed \$149,000.00 plus the additional \$15,000.00 for the windows for a total project cost of \$164,000.00. Also, all appropriate signatures and a budget amendment through the use of fund balance in the Capital Improvements Fund (483) are authorized. Motion Carried.

2. Tuscola County Planning Commission Appointment -

Jodi Fetting, County Clerk, CCO, presented the applications received at the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 11, 2023.

2023-M-265

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Thomas Bardwell to approve the appointment of Estee Bitzer to the Tuscola County Planning Commission for a 3-year term beginning January 1, 2024. Motion Carried.

3. 2024 Tuscola County Clerk Stipend Restructure -

Matter was discussed at the October 26, 2023 and December 11, 2023 meetings.

2023-M-266

Motion by Thomas Bardwell, seconded by Thomas Young to approve the 2024 revised Election Programming stipend for the County Clerk.

- If there are 15 or less ballot styles in one election, then the stipend payment per ballot style is \$85.00 for each Tabulator programmed and \$15.00 for each Voter Assist Terminal programmed.
- If there are 16 to 30 ballot styles in one election, then the stipend payment would be a flat stipend of \$2,000.00.
- If there are 31 or more ballot styles, then the stipend payment would be a flat stipend of \$3,000.00.

Stipend to be paid to the County Clerk at the conclusion of canvassing an election and documentation to be provided to the Human Resource Director for payment. The stipend is to be charged to the Election Budget (101-191). This only applies if the election programming is completed in-house and not contracted out. This is effective January 1, 2024. \$12,000.00 has been included in the proposed 2024 wage line item in the Election Budget (101-191). Motion Carried.

Finance/Technology

Primary Finance/Technology

1. 2023 Equipment and Capital Fund Projects Review - Clayette Zechmeister presented a Second Budget Review for the 2023 budget year.

Commissioner Vaughan excused at 11:47 a.m.

Mike Miller, Building and Grounds Director, reviewed the capital project listing for the upcoming budget with their priority of need. Matters regarding the jail are to be moved to a wish list until after the November election.

On-Going and Other Finance

None

On-Going and Other Technology

-Eean Lee has completed interviews and expects to have a candidate to present at Thursday's meeting.

Building and Grounds

Primary Building and Grounds

None

On-Going and Other Building and Grounds

None

Personnel

Primary Personnel

None

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Park Host Salary Review - No update

Other Business as Necessary

1. New Caro Hospital Site Visit and Walkthrough for Caro Project Stakeholders Group - Clayette has signed up to complete the tour and will provide a report.
2. Committee of the Whole meeting (matter added) - Board discussed canceling the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 27, 2022 but will wait to see how the budget process progresses.

2023 Equipment/Capital Improvement Budget Request

Requests	Department Request	Capital Improvement Requests	Potential Recommended for Funding			Comments
			Recommended for Funding from Capital Improvement Fund - 483	Recommended for Funding from Equipment/Technology Fund - 244	Recommended for Funding from Special Purpose Fund	
	CONTROLLER	Chairs/Desk \$2,000		\$2,000		Desk/Chairs/File Cabinets
	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	MSU - Entry Door Replacement \$3,600	\$3,600			MSU Entry door replacement
		MSU - Kitchen Cabinets \$2,500	\$2,500			MSU Kitchen cabinets
		MSU - Tuckpointing \$7,000	\$7,000			MSU Tuckpointing
		Adult Probation - Siding \$35,000	\$35,000			Adult Probation New Siding
		Adult Probation - Window replacement \$15,000	\$15,000			Adult Probation Window replacement
		Adult Probation - AC Replacement \$5,000	\$5,000			Adult Probation Conference Room AC Replacement
		Clerk - Walk up window \$5,000	\$5,000			Install Clerk Walk up window
		Courthouse - Tuckpointing \$50,000	\$50,000			Courthouse - Tuckpointing
		Jail - Windows \$325,000	\$325,000			Jail window replacement
		Health Department - Roof \$205,000	\$205,000			Health Department Roof Replacement
		Health Department - HVAC \$60,000	\$60,000			Health Department Rooftop HVAC replacement - 3 Units
		DHHS Roof \$205,000	\$205,000			DHHS Roof Replacement

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	Jail - HVAC	\$10,000	\$10,000			Jail - 2 new mini-split AC Units
	Dispatch - HVAC	\$140,000	\$140,000			Dispatch - HVAC Replacement
	Purdy Building - Tuckpointing	\$15,000	\$15,000			Tuckpointing/stone repair - Purdy Building
	Courthouse - Window wells	\$10,000	\$10,000			Paint courthouse window wells
	Magistrate/District Court Counter	\$55,000	\$55,000			District Court Clerks Counter/Magistrate Counter Glass Replacement
	Juvenile - Electronic Clock	\$4,500		\$4,500		Install electronic clock in the Juvenile department
IT	Scanners	\$15,000		\$15,000		Clerk - scanners
	Onbase document imaging	\$350,000		\$350,000		Adds paperless workflow to District Court Leverages previous investment in same technology and benefits multiple departments
	Fidlar Vital Records	\$35,000		\$35,000		Fidlar vital records for Clerk
	JAVS	\$6,600		\$6,600		JAVS expansion 2 courts
	Printers	\$2,000		\$2,000		Continued replacement of end of life equipment
	Desktops	\$8,500		\$8,500		Continued replacement of end of life equipment

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Preserving America's Landmarks!

Milford, MI 48381

johnf@nationalrestoration.net

December 5, 2023

Mr. Mike Miller

County of Tuscola

Department of Buildings & Grounds

125 W. Lincoln St. Suite 500

Caro, MI 48723

989-672-3756

RE: Rusted Lintel Purdy Building

Mr. Miller,

Per our onsite meeting at the Purdy building, we propose to provide all the labor, materials, and equipment needed to complete the following scope of work:

- After the size and amount of the new windows are determined, provide a basic plan for the project which will include sections for new framing and the new brick veneer.
- Provide needed permits.
- Install a temporary plastic dust screen wall on the interior of the windows. This will be far enough back to allow work on the interior of the I-beam.
- Remove the existing brick from above the existing I-beam and rusted lintel to the top of the parapet wall.
- Each evening, provide a temporary security wall of 2"x4" and sheeted with plywood.
- Coordinate with the owner's window company to remove the existing windows in sections. After the windows and frames are removed by others, remove sections of the flat stock that is rusting, and any interior finishes needed to complete this.
- Each evening provide a temporary security wall of 2"x4" and sheeted with plywood.
- Remove the existing steel from above the openings that is rusting and at one time supported a different type of awning structure.
- Clean and paint the exposed bottom of the I-beam and the structural steel above the I-beam.
- Frame in the openings with 2"x6" studs and exterior OSB sheathing with openings to accommodate the new owner provided windows.
- Install tyvec barrier to the exterior.
- Install new wall plugs as required in the new wall.
- Install R-19 insulation and a moisture barrier.
- Install new ½" drywall flush to the existing soffit and or drywall areas.

- Have new windows installed by others.
- Tape and bed interior drywall and sand to match existing walls in prep for prime and paint by owner.
- Install the new brick veneer to industry standards and new limestone windowsills.
- Clean exterior as needed.
- Install the saved awnings.
- Final jobsite cleanup.
- We propose to complete the above scope of work under our annual contract with Oakland County MI which is publicly bid statewide, on a time and material basis per the established rates for a cost of time and materials not to exceed \$149,000.00

We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with the highest quality craftsmanship and products available.
Sincerely,

John Fletcher, President

2023-M-241

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Matt Koch to approve the 2024 Prosecutor Contract Agreement for Karpel Solutions Software Program. Tuscola County has no cost for the core suite through September 30, 2026. At the suggestion of Tuscola County Chief Information Officer (CIO), the optional interface into the Court Judicial Information Services (JIS) data be purchased for a one-time fee of \$10,000.00 with an annual support cost of \$2,000.00. After September 30, 2026, Tuscola County will be billed for maintenance and support if the decision is made to continue using this software. Also, all appropriate signatures and budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

6. 2024 Equipment and Capital Review and Recommendations -
Clayette Zechmeister, Controller/Administrator, reviewed the proposed 2024 Potential Adjustments in the General Fund Budget, 2024 Equipment/Capital Improvement Budget Request, Budget Report for the 215 Fund for Friend of the Court. Board discussed the shortcoming of the budget going into 2024.
7. 2024 Budget Review on Open Items -
Clayette Zechmeister, Controller/Administrator, reviewed items requested for the 2024 budget cycle.
8. Clarification on 2024 Clerk Stipend Request -
Clerk Fetting explained the request for the restructure of the election programming stipend due to the additional programming requirements due to the 9-days of early voting. Clerk Fetting also reviewed the cost savings the County realizes by keeping the election programming at the county level. Matter to be placed on the November 16, 2023 Board agenda for the restructuring to be adopted.
9. Tuscola County Hours of Operation -
Chairman Vaughan addressed the Board regarding the hours of operation for offices within the county. The concern brought forth is that the Drain Commissioner's Office sets different hours of operation than other county offices. Documentation regarding county hours to be provided to the other Board members.
10. Purdy Building Repairs -
Mike Miller, Director of Buildings and Grounds, addressed the matter of the windows that need to be replaced in the Purdy Building. He has received an estimate for the windows but is still waiting for an estimate from the contractor.

2023-M-242

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz that \$100,000.00 be transferred to the Capital Improvements Fund (483) from the General Fund (101) unassigned fund balance to accommodate this urgent repair of the lentils at the Purdy Building for windows located in the small Conference Room and Drain Commissioner's Office. Also, any necessary budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

Old Business

None

207-309-932-000 Equipment (expense) \$67,692.00
with the offset through the use of fund balance in the Road Patrol Fund.

New Business (continued below)

- 1. Prosecutor Refill Vacant Position (matter added) -

2023-M-117

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Thomas Bardwell that per the request from Mark Reene, Prosecutor, that Brad Kamrad, current Tuscola County Employee, be hired to fill the vacant Secretary II position in the Prosecutor's Office at Step 7 hourly wage of \$18.34 per hour with an effective date of hire of June 8, 2023 or sooner. Motion Carried.

For future reference, Brad Kamrad was a Friend of the Court employee.

- 2. Bids on the Replacement of the Exterior Windows at the County Adult Probation Building at 449 Wells Street, Caro -

2023-M-118

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Matt Koch that Dave's Glass from Caro be awarded the bid for replacement windows at the County Adult Probation Building at 449 Wells Street, Caro, in the amount of \$26,625.00. The Capital Improvements Fund Budget was established at \$15,000.00 for this project and will be short by \$11,625.00. Also, move to increase line item 483-938-971-024 Window Replacement by \$11,625.00 through the use of fund balance. Motion Carried.

- 3. Bids for the Installation of New Vinyl Siding at the County Adult Probation Building at 449 Wells Street Caro -

2023-M-119

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Matt Koch that Bergman Construction, Inc. from Saginaw be awarded the bid for new vinyl siding at the County Adult Probation Building at 449 Wells Street, Caro, in the amount of \$56,455.00. The Capital Improvements Fund Budget was established at \$35,000.00 for this project and will be short by \$21,455.00. Also, move to increase line item 483-938-971-023 Siding by \$21,455.00 through the use of fund balance. Motion Carried with Lutz opposed.

- 4. Tuscola County Sheriff's Office Awarded Tuscola County Community Foundation, Janks Grant -

Deputy Steven Anderson, Emergency Manager, explained the grant received.

2023-M-120

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Bill Lutz that due to receiving the Tuscola County Community Foundation - Janks Grant award in the amount of \$3,960.00 that the General Fund revenue account 101-000-583-426, Janks Grant Emergency Services, be increased by the same amount as well as the expense account 101-426-979-000, Janks Grant Equipment. Motion Carried.

Tuscola County

Notes to the Financial Statements

unassigned fund balance of approximately 17% of the most current Board approved general fund budget.

Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

The County follows the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- Annual budgets are legally adopted, and formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund and special revenue funds. Annual informational budget summaries are prepared for enterprise funds and internal service funds.
- The activity level in the general fund and functional level within special revenue funds is the legal level of control. The Appropriations Act details the budget at the line-item level. Examples of activities are Sheriff's Department, Prosecutor, and Medical Examiner – each of these activities can be found within the Public Safety, Judicial, and Health and Welfare functions, respectively. The County Controller is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts from one category to another (salaries and wages, health insurance costs, etc.) within an activity and between activities within the same fund. These transfers at the category level do not effect the general appropriations act as these categorical transfers do not alter appropriation to the activity. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund or total activity within the general fund must be approved by the Board of Commissioners.
- Budgets for the general and special revenue funds are prepared on a modified accrual basis of accounting.
- Budget appropriations lapse at year-end.
- The original budget was amended during the year in compliance with local and state laws. The budget to actual expenditures in the financial statements represent the final budgeted expenditures as amended by the County. Supplemental appropriations were necessary during the year.

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Invoice

NATIONAL RESTORATION, INC.

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Milford, MI 48381
Ph(248)318-0609 Fax(248)714-6323
JohnF@nationalrestoration.net

It's not luck, it's know how!
Licensed Builder

Bill To:
County of Tuscola
125 W. Lincoln St. Suite 500
Caro, MI 48723

Invoice #: 4038
Invoice Date: 6/24/2024
Due Date: 7/24/2024
Project:
P.O. Number:

Date	Description	Amount
	~~ Purdy Building Wall Repairs - Invoice 2 ~~	
	Foreman - 266 Hours @ \$111.50/hour	29,659.00
	Masons - 435 @ \$109.50/hour	47,632.50
	Dumpster	581.94
	Bricks	5,323.25
	Freight for Bricks	704.00
	Lumber, Mortar, and Misc. Materials	4,688.32
	Telehandler Forklift	3,108.09
	Fuel	500.00
	Other Equipment: Jobsite Trailer, Scaffolding, Mortar Mixer, Grinders, Electric Hammers, Misc. Power Tools - 29 Days @ \$150/day	4,350.00
	Not to Exceed \$61,163.35	-35,383.75
	483-933-980-015	

Thank you for your business.

Total	\$61,163.35
Payments/Credits	\$0.00
Balance Due	\$61,163.35

Already paid 87,836.65

Total \$149,000.00

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Dave's Glass LLC
1900 W Caro Rd
Caro, MI 48723

Invoice

BILL TO
Tuscola County Building & Grounds 125 W Lincoln Street Caro, MI 48723

SHIP TO
PURDY BUILDING

INVOICE #	DATE	TOTAL DUE	DUE DATE	TERMS	ENCLOSED
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	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
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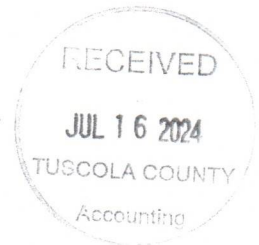
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Because bids in this category have to be closed sealed bids, faxed bids will not be accepted.

2.15 Disclaimer: Tuscola County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and choose the bid that is in the best interests of the County. Any vendor or parties who bid under this Policy are doing so of their own free will and without liability to the County

A bid may be awarded to a higher bidder for reasons such as, but not limited to: quality, service, reliability, convenience, dependability, etc.

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Wayne County

MAC's Madeline Fata attended a session of the Wayne County Commission on July 18, during which a contract to provide shuttle services for employees between an off-site parking lot and the county's Criminal Justice Complex was approved. After the meeting, Fata (center) met with Commissioner Melissa Daub (left) and Board Chair Alisha Bell.



Courts

Fifteen counties to receive local prosecutor grant funding

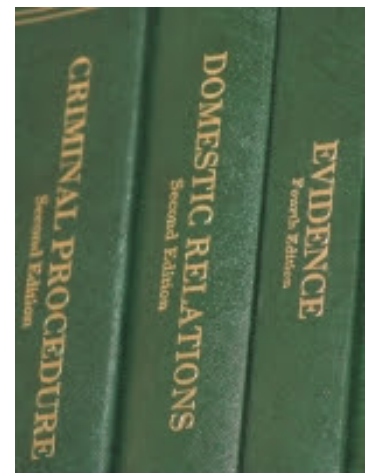
Fifteen of the 83 counties will receive some of a \$17 million appropriation in the state's FY25 budget for their prosecutor's office to reduce the caseload per attorney. These grants are meant to address the severe prosecutor shortage plaguing every county in Michigan.

The \$17 million will allow eligible counties to raise assistant prosecutor salaries and make prosecutor's offices in those counties more competitive and attractive to prospective employees.

Eligible counties include Berrien, Calhoun, Crawford, Eaton, Genesee, Ingham, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kalkaska, Kent, Luce, Muskegon, Saginaw, Schoolcraft and Washtenaw.

MAC's long-term goal is for the state to provide funding to all 83 counties for prosecutor offices and close the gap on the [statewide prosecutor shortage](#).

For more information on this issue, contact Samantha Gibson at gibson@micounties.org.



Podcast 83 episode explores reality of financial hardship in Michigan

How county leaders can assist the growing number of Michigan households experiencing financial hardship is the focus of [a special episode of Podcast 83](#).

Host Stephan Currie welcomed two special guests to discuss a recent report on financial hardships and an important informational tool for families to access help:

- Kaitlynn Lamie, president and CEO of the Michigan Association of United Ways
- Sarah Kile, director of community and partner engagement for Michigan 211

“ALICE is a study that stands for ‘Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed,’” explained Lamie. “We now have 10 years of ALICE data, and this is really looking at folks who are working, yet still struggling to make ends meet.

“[The newest data \(from May\)](#) showed that we have 100,000 new households in Michigan that fall below that ALICE threshold,” she added.

With these additions, 41 percent of Michigan households are below the threshold.

Those households, though, can connect for assistance via 211.

“Every county in Michigan is covered with a simple three-digit number when you’re looking for assistance,” said Kile. “So, you don’t have to figure it out on your own. We have trained, nationally accredited folks who — 24 hours a day, seven days a week — are waiting to find resources for individuals in your community. The most common are housing, food, utilities — the basic needs.

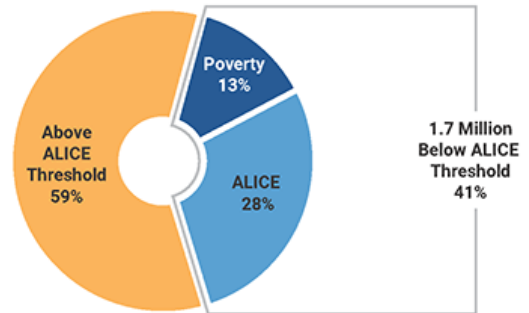
“There are so many county commissioners, county leaders all over who’ve supported 211, whether it’s letters of support for funding or letters of support to get the service in their community,” she added.

To learn more about how the Association of United Ways can assist county leaders in understanding and responding to their local needs, view the full episode, recorded on June 3, by [clicking here](#).

Previous episodes can be seen at [MAC’s YouTube Channel](#).

And you always can find details about Podcast 83 [on the MAC website](#).

Total Households in Michigan = 4 Million



NACo Events

AI report, elections highlight 2024 NACo Annual Conference

“The advent of generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) worldwide presents unique opportunities and challenges for county governments,” states [a new report](#) from a National Association of Counties (NACo) committee that spent more than a year studying the issue.

Presentation of the report was one of just many activities at the [NACo Annual Conference](#), held in Hillsborough County, Fla. MAC First Vice President Melissa Daub of Wayne led a Michigan delegation to the conference that included 27 commissioners from 13 counties.

Sonoma County, Calif., Supervisor James Gore was sworn in July 15 as NACo’s new president at the association’s Annual Business Meeting. At the same session, Michigan delegates participated in the election of George Dunlap of Mecklenburg County, N.C., as NACo second vice president.

“Four key themes emerged during our committee’s year-long exploration of generative artificial intelligence: Preparing the Workforce, Establishing an Ethical Framework, Promoting Policy Models and Enabling Responsible Applications. Each theme prompted our committee to study the impact of generative artificial intelligence deeply, specifically through the lens of county governance,” committee co-chairs Andy Brown of Travis County, Texas, and Gregg Weiss of Palm Beach County, Fla., wrote in the AI report.

“The goal of this report and toolkit is to enable county government to recognize low-risk versus high-risk implementations of artificial intelligence and generative artificial intelligence and address the challenges that both bring to local government,” they added.



Learning Opportunity

NACo webinar to focus on federal rules on website accessibility

A national webinar on July 24 will focus on new federal requirements for county websites and mobile apps.



“The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) recently issued their final guidance to implement technical standards for counties to achieve web-based accessibility for county websites and mobile applications. Join NACo as we hear from the DOJ for an overview of the new guidance, ask questions regarding the guidance, and engage in a county panel to discuss implementation strategies, challenges, and opportunities for counties.”

The webinar will run from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern. [Click here](#) to register.

If you have any registration questions, contact nacomeetings@naco.org.

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Energy

State agency releases energy siting guidance document

Developers are encouraged to work with local governments in [new recommendations](#) made by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) on siting for renewable energy facilities. This week, the MPSC released its comprehensive recommendations for implementing Public Act 233, providing guidance on public meeting requirements, Compatible Renewable Energy Ordinances (CREO), site plans and more.



Overall, the recommendations reflect much of the [feedback provided by MAC](#) during the drafting phase.

The MPSC clarified that only the affected local governments with zoning authority will need to adopt a renewable energy ordinance. It is urging developers to work directly with the local government, regardless of whether the government has adopted a CREO or a “workable ordinance.” A workable ordinance is an ordinance that is considered reasonable but does not match the standards prescribed by the new law. There were some additions made by the MPSC that are not explicit in PA 233. For example, prior to breaking ground on a project, the developer must consult with local first responders and road commissioners, and they must agree to repair or replace any drainage systems or county roads damaged during construction.

The biggest discrepancy between the MPSC recommendations and MAC’s feedback pertains to intervenor grant funds. If a project is approved by the MPSC rather than a local government, each affected local will receive up to \$75,000, but not more than \$150,000 in total, to contest a case. MAC asked that any unexpended funds remain with the local government, as that is how grants traditionally operate. However, the MPSC recommends that funds not utilized be refunded to the applicant.

The MPSC staff will review the public comments and **submit final guidance on Aug. 9**. The new law will then take effect in November. (See [Michigan Counties](#) for expert advice on compliance with the new law.)

For more information on this issue, contact Madeline Fata at fata@micounties.org.

MAC News

Filing period opens for MAC Board elections at Annual Conference

County commissioners interested in serving on the MAC Board of Directors have until Aug. 23, 2024, to file for elections to fill five seats on the Board at the 2024 Michigan Counties Annual Conference.

The elections will be held on Sept. 25 at the conference at the Grand Traverse Resort. To be an official candidate, commissioners must file official notice of their intent to run. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Aug. 23, 2024.

Four seats available represent regions, so will be decided by a vote in that specific region. The at-large seat is determined by votes in all six MAC regions.

To download an application form, go to <https://bit.ly/2024appform>.

The [MAC Board of Directors](#) is the key body in guiding the legislative and organizational strategies of MAC. Board terms are three years in length and individuals may serve up to three terms.

Following seats are vacant and will be filled at the 2024 Annual Conference:

- Region I, Seat A (Open seat)
- Region II, Seat A (Bryan Kolk of Newaygo County is the incumbent)
- Region III, Seat A (Rick Shaffer of St. Joseph County is the incumbent)
- Region V, Seat B (Sarah Lucido of Macomb County is the incumbent)
- At-large, Seat C (Melissa Daub of Wayne County is the incumbent)

No director shall serve more than three full three-year terms, except in certain situations where a director is filling a vacancy in an unexpired term. If the elected replacement shall serve more than half of the unexpired term, it shall be considered as if such person has served one full term for purposes of term limits. If the person filling the vacancy shall serve less than half of the unexpired term, that person shall be permitted to serve up to three additional full 3-year terms.

Candidates who file are also encouraged to submit a statement of up to 400 words on why members should support them. These statements will be posted to the MAC website in late August.

If you have any questions about Board duties, please contact Executive Director Stephan W. Currie at 517-372-5374 or scurrie@micounties.org.

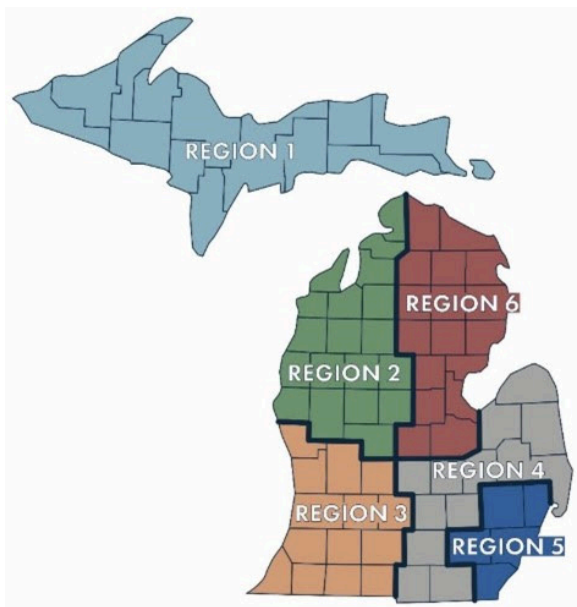
Public Health

MAC releases huge survey report on opioid settlement funds

MAC is excited to announce the updating of the [MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard](#) and the release of the [Michigan County Opioid Settlement Reporting: Data Overview](#).



The [Michigan County Opioid Settlement Reporting: Data Overview](#) and the related [MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard](#) are the product of months of work with Michigan's 83 counties, which are now in



the process of deploying millions of dollars derived from various legal settlements with drug manufacturers. Between now and 2040, those settlements will result in \$800 million for Michigan counties.

“This is the first and only comprehensive picture of what is happening at the county level in Michigan,” said MAC Executive Director Stephan Currie. “It results from our ongoing partnership with [Vital Strategies](#), a global public health organization, to aid our members to make the most of this historic opportunity to aid those struggling with substance use disorder.”

Data included on the dashboard and in the report are pulled from the Annual Opioid Settlement County Reporting Survey. The survey was administered between April and May of 2024 and was intended to capture data associated with calendar year 2023. Information collected included county activities associated with planning efforts, stakeholder engagement, management of funds and spending.

"Most counties are focused on thoughtful planning efforts to ensure funds are used in meaningful ways while understanding the urgency of drug overdose crisis," said Amy Dolinky, the technical adviser who led the survey work. MAC is expecting to do annual surveys to gauge changes over time and continued updating of the dashboard and reporting.

Seventy-seven percent of counties responded to the survey, allowing for the most comprehensive picture of local government efforts associated with opioid settlement funds available.

For questions or for technical assistance, contact Amy Dolinky at dolinky@micounties.org.

Learning Opportunity

NACo academy can help your key employees hone their skills

Strengthen your team and improve your county's future performance by giving your emerging all-stars — or yourself — an opportunity to level up.



Do you oversee program directors or other managers that you'd like to catapult into progressively more responsibility and growing effectiveness? Then send them through the National Association of Counties' [High Performance Leadership Academy](#), a virtual course that will run from Aug. 6 to Nov. 8.

Attendees will learn to plan, lead and sustain positive innovations across county government in the context of growing uncertainty and cascading challenges.

The 12-week course uses real-time webinars, self-paced activities and cohort-based learning, totaling about five hours per week. Request more information for your county at www.naco.org/skills today!

Staff Picks

Staff picks

- [Juvenile lifers can be ordered to pay restitution on resentencing, Mich. Supreme Court rules](#) (Michigan Public Radio)



- [Lifesaving drugs and police projects mark first use of opioid settlement cash in California](#) (Kaiser Health News)

- [Kent Co. court specializing in domestic violence to launch soon](#) (WZZM)

- [Gas taxes can't pay for roads much longer, but Amazon deliveries might](#) (RouteFifty)

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- **Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator, Clinton County**
- **Community Planner, Federal Emergency Management Agency**
- **City Manager, City of Berkley**
- **Health Officer, Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department**
- **County Administrator, Grant County, Wis.**

MAC's online message board allows county commissioners to share challenges, solutions and ideas with their colleagues. You must register to use the message board. ([See these easy-to-follow instructions for registration.](#))

For more information on the Forum, contact Derek Melot at melot@micounties.org.

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MAC on the road: Washtenaw County

MAC’s director of governmental affairs, Deena Bosworth, was in Ann Arbor Thursday night for a session of the Washtenaw County Board, during which she presented a MAC “County Seals” poster to Washtenaw Chair Justin Hodge.

Also in the meeting, the Board, by unanimous vote, authorized a millage for the November ballot for senior services. If it is approved by voters, Washtenaw would become the 81st county to have a dedicated millage for senior services.

Since May 1, MAC has attended conferences or events in Wayne, Benzie, Mackinac, Branch, Grand Traverse, Menominee, Roscommon and Oceana counties. We may be in your county soon!



Revenue Sharing

To-do list: Whitmer sign budget; Legislature pass revenue sharing reforms

It's been two weeks since the Legislature passed the FY 2025 budget that [includes a \\$30 million increase to county revenue sharing](#). However, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has yet to sign the legislation so it can be enacted.

MAC does not anticipate line-item vetoes affecting county revenue sharing, but the battle for proper sharing isn't over.

While MAC is pleased with the FY25 increase, the budget bill falls short of securing county revenue sharing via a trust fund.

MAC has been working on bills to carve out a portion of the state sales tax for statutory revenue sharing and secure it for use only as revenue sharing.

The goal is twofold:

- Create a growing revenue source that tracks with the growth in state revenue
- Protect the revenue from being allocated to other state priorities

Enacting these reforms will help insulate counties from the line-item veto and from the arbitrary increases and decreases in statutory revenue sharing enacted each year in annual budget bills.

County commissioners, please urge legislators (who are now back in their districts) to adopt the reforms bills, [House Bills 4274-75](#), which passed by overwhelmingly in the House, but has been awaiting action by the Senate Finance Committee since November 2023.

For more information on this issue, contact Deena Bosworth at bosworth@micounties.org.

Finance

'Ax Tax' ballot drive fails to make November ballot

A ballot drive for the statewide elimination of property taxes will not be on the November 2024 ballot after proponents failed to gain the necessary signatures by a July 8 deadline.

The ["Ax MI Tax" proposal](#) aimed to eliminate all real and personal property taxes in Michigan, which would strip more than \$17 billion in funding for schools and local governments and provide little in replacement revenue. Further, such replacement revenue proposed for local governments would have prohibited spending on county jails, senior programs, parks and recreation, trash collection and maintenance of any public grounds.



While MAC applauds the decisions of voters not to sign this devastating proposal, it does not mean proponents have given up.

MAC will continue to collaborate with the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments to inform members of the dangers of this concept. The efforts of county commissioners to brief their constituents of the need for services at the county level contributed to the ballot drive's failure this year.

For more information on this issue, contact Deena Bosworth at bosworth@micounties.org.

Podcast 83

New \$30 million boost in revenue sharing comes with new distribution system

A \$30 million boost to county revenue sharing highlights the fiscal 2025 state budget. But this 11.5 percent increase to the revenue sharing total of \$291 million will not mean every county will get 11.5 percent more, MAC's Deena Bosworth explained in [a special budget episode of Podcast 83](#).



The increase of \$30 million will be distributed differently than traditional statutory revenue sharing payments. Those payments will be calculated based on an inverse relationship to the taxable value of your county, as compared to the rest of the state

"We don't have the numbers broken out by county yet, or what that percentage increase is going to be for each county. But as soon as the Department of Treasury puts that together, we will make sure that all of you have it so you know what to anticipate," Bosworth said.

"So, overall, a very healthy increase. It's not one-time monies ... it is ongoing, the way that it's written," Bosworth added.

On other budget fronts affecting counties:

Samantha Gibson noted a new \$17 million for county prosecutors to address their hiring and staff retention crisis. "The distribution will go to 15 counties with the highest rates of violent crime per 1,000 residents," Gibson said. "At this time, I do not have what that list of 15 counties is, but I'm sure we'll have that very soon here."

"There is \$74.5 million in the transportation budget for 30 individual critical infrastructure projects," said Madeline Fata, "so some of you might have been lucky enough to be on that list and have some projects coming to your communities."

Fata also noted two absences from the budget:

- There are no state dollars for a pilot project on “mileage-based user fees” for road funding; instead, the state will pursue federal aid for that pilot.
- And the huge increase in tipping fees for solid waste that Gov. Gretchen Whitmer had sought was not adopted in the budget.

View the full episode, recorded on June 27, [by clicking here](#).

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MAC News

MACPAC is on record-setting pace for collections in 2024

MACPAC, the only political action committee committed to assisting advocates of county government in the Michigan Legislature, has raised nearly \$10,000 at the halfway point of its fundraising year.

If MACPAC can maintain this pace of collections through the rest of 2024, it would set a single-year record, said Executive Director Stephan Currie.

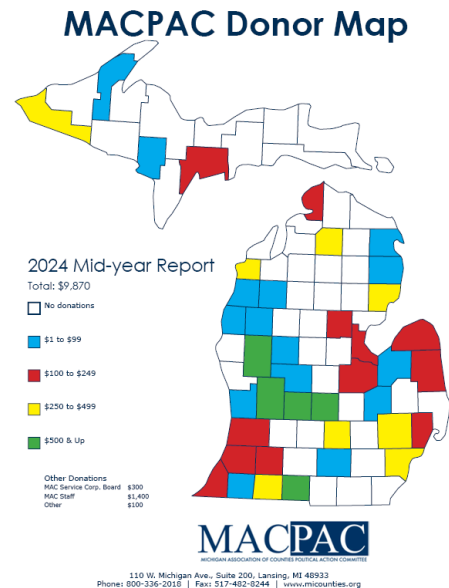
“The contributions to date from dozens of county commissioners is much appreciated,” Currie said, “especially when you consider this is an election year and commissioners have their own campaigns to finance.

“I think this success reflects a growing understanding by our members that keeping allies in the Legislature is critical to county government,” he added.

Ionia, Newaygo and Branch counties are currently the top trio for cumulative donations in 2024.

[Click here](#) to see a full list of donors this year, as of July 1, 2024. Platinum members have given \$500 or more. Gold members have given between \$250 and \$499. Silver members have given between \$100 and \$249.

It’s easy to make an electronic donation to MACPAC. Start that process [by clicking here](#).



Energy

Utility panel seeks public views on Upper Peninsula Energy Study

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) is holding a July 30 hearing in Marquette for public comment on the commission’s ongoing UP Energy Study. [Public Act 235 of 2023](#) directs the MPSC to deliver a report by Dec. 31, 2024, detailing the unique conditions influencing electric generation, transmission, and demand in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.



The hearing will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern at Northern Michigan University’s Northern Center, [1401 Presque Isle Ave.](#), and will be livestreamed over Microsoft Teams. The link will be provided on the Commission’s [event page](#) closer to the meeting date.

For those who are unable to attend, written comments can be mailed to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Comments may also be submitted in electronic format via the commission's [E-Dockets website](#), or for those persons without an E-Dockets account, via email to mpscdockets@michigan.gov.

The Commission is soliciting public comment until 6 p.m. Eastern on Aug. 9. Additional information on the UP Energy Study is [available here](#). Background information on the 2023 energy laws and the MPSC's implementation efforts is [available here](#).

Energy

State agency releases energy siting guidance document

Developers are encouraged to work with local governments in [new recommendations](#) made by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) on siting for renewable energy facilities. This week, the MPSC released its comprehensive recommendations for implementing Public Act 233, providing guidance on public meeting requirements, Compatible Renewable Energy Ordinances (CREO), site plans and more.



Overall, the recommendations reflect much of the [feedback provided by MAC](#) during the drafting phase.

The MPSC clarified that only the affected local governments with zoning authority will need to adopt a renewable energy ordinance. It is urging developers to work directly with the local government, regardless of whether the government has adopted a CREO or a “workable ordinance.” A workable ordinance is an ordinance that is considered reasonable but does not match the standards prescribed by the new law. There were some additions made by the MPSC that are not explicit in PA 233. For example, prior to breaking ground on a project, the developer must consult with local first responders and road commissioners, and they must agree to repair or replace any drainage systems or county roads damaged during construction.

The biggest discrepancy between the MPSC recommendations and MAC's feedback pertains to intervenor grant funds. If a project is approved by the MPSC rather than a local government, each affected local will receive up to \$75,000, but not more than \$150,000 in total, to contest a case. MAC asked that any unexpended funds remain with the local government, as that is how grants traditionally operate. However, the MPSC recommends that funds not utilized be refunded to the applicant.

The MSPC is seeking one last round of feedback on these recommendations, **due by July 17**. The MPSC staff will review the public comments and **submit final guidance on Aug. 9**. The new law will then take effect in November. (See the latest edition of [Michigan Counties](#) for expert advice on compliance with the new law.)

For more information on this issue, contact Madeline Fata at fata@micounties.org.

Filing period opens for MAC Board elections at Annual Conference

County commissioners interested in serving on the MAC Board of Directors have until Aug. 23, 2024, to file for elections to fill five seats on the Board at the 2024 Michigan Counties Annual Conference.

The elections will be held on Sept. 25 at the conference at the Grand Traverse Resort. To be an official candidate, commissioners must file official notice of their intent to run. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Aug. 23, 2024.

Four seats available represent regions, so will be decided by a vote in that specific region. The at-large seat is determined by votes in all six MAC regions.

To download an application form, go to <https://bit.ly/2024appform>.

The **MAC Board of Directors** is the key body in guiding the legislative and organizational strategies of MAC. Board terms are three years in length and individuals may serve up to three terms.

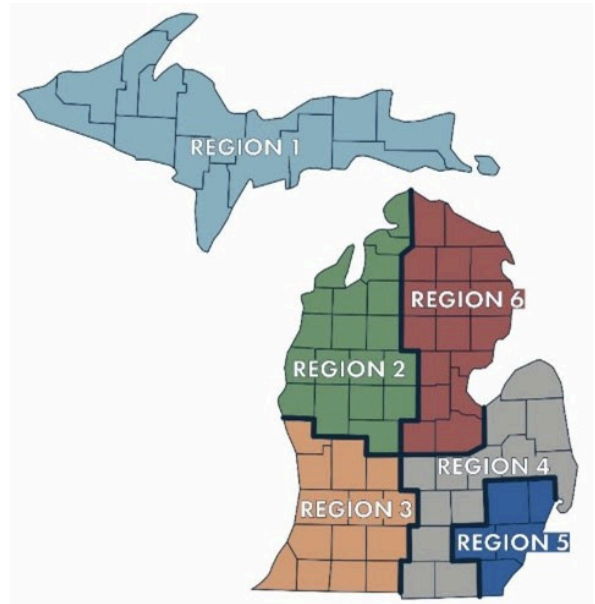
Following seats are vacant and will be filled at the 2024 Annual Conference:

- Region I, Seat A (Open seat)
- Region II, Seat A (Bryan Kolk of Newaygo County is the incumbent)
- Region III, Seat A (Rick Shaffer of St. Joseph County is the incumbent)
- Region V, Seat B (Sarah Lucido of Macomb County is the incumbent)
- At-large, Seat C (Melissa Daub of Wayne County is the incumbent)

No director shall serve more than three full three-year terms, except in certain situations where a director is filling a vacancy in an unexpired term. If the elected replacement shall serve more than half of the unexpired term, it shall be considered as if such person has served one full term for purposes of term limits. If the person filling the vacancy shall serve less than half of the unexpired term, that person shall be permitted to serve up to three additional full 3-year terms.

Candidates who file are also encouraged to submit a statement of up to 400 words on why members should support them. These statements will be posted to the MAC website in late August.

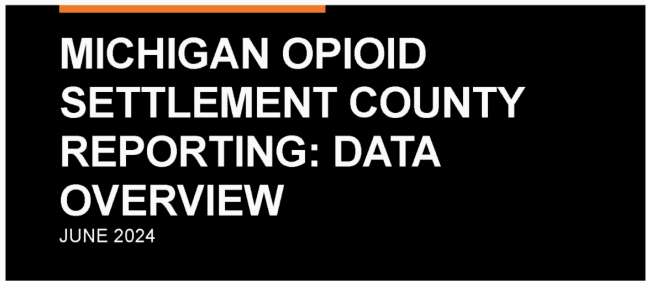
If you have any questions about Board duties, please contact Executive Director Stephan W. Currie at 517-372-5374 or scurrie@micounties.org.



Public Health

MAC releases huge survey report on opioid settlement funds

MAC is excited to announce the updating of the [MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard](#) and the release of the [Michigan County Opioid Settlement Reporting: Data Overview](#).



The [Michigan County Opioid Settlement Reporting: Data Overview](#) and the related [MAC Opioid Settlement Dashboard](#) are the product of months of work with Michigan’s 83 counties, which are now in the process of deploying millions of dollars derived from various legal settlements with drug manufacturers. Between now and 2040, those settlements will result in \$800 million for Michigan counties.

“This is the first and only comprehensive picture of what is happening at the county level in Michigan,” said MAC Executive Director Stephan Currie. “It results from our ongoing partnership with [Vital Strategies](#), a global public health organization, to aid our members to make the most of this historic opportunity to aid those struggling with substance use disorder.”

Data included on the dashboard and in the report are pulled from the Annual Opioid Settlement County Reporting Survey. The survey was administered between April and May of 2024 and was intended to capture data associated with calendar year 2023. Information collected included county activities associated with planning efforts, stakeholder engagement, management of funds and spending.

"Most counties are focused on thoughtful planning efforts to ensure funds are used in meaningful ways while understanding the urgency of drug overdose crisis," said Amy Dolinky, the technical adviser who led the survey work. MAC is expecting to do annual surveys to gauge changes over time and continued updating of the dashboard and reporting.

Seventy-seven percent of counties responded to the survey, allowing for the most comprehensive picture of local government efforts associated with opioid settlement funds available.

For questions or for technical assistance, contact Amy Dolinky at dolinky@micounties.org.

Learning Opportunity

NACo academy can help your key employees hone their skills

Strengthen your team and improve your county’s future performance by giving your emerging all-stars — or yourself — an opportunity to level up.



Do you oversee program directors or other managers that you’d like to catapult into progressively more responsibility and growing effectiveness? Then send them through the National Association of Counties’ [High Performance Leadership Academy](#), a virtual course that will run from Aug. 6 to Nov. 8.

Attendees will learn to plan, lead and sustain positive innovations across county government in the context of growing uncertainty and cascading challenges.

The 12-week course uses real-time webinars, self-paced activities and cohort-based learning, totaling about five hours per week. Request more information for your county at www.naco.org/skills today!

Staff Picks

Staff picks

- [Is it a federal crime for government officials to accept gratuities? Supreme Court says ‘the answer is no’](#) (American City and County)
- [Michigan ranks 30th in road funding assessment](#) (Citizens Research Council of Michigan)
- [Voters in several states can cut — or abolish — property taxes this fall](#) (Governing)
- [EGLE grants to rehabilitate sites in Montmorency, Leelanau counties](#) (Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy)



MAC Services

MAC Jobs Hub

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- **Community Planner, Federal Emergency Management Agency**
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- **City Manager, City of Berkley**

- **Health Officer, Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department**

- **County Administrator, Grant County, Wis.**

- **Township Superintendent, Charter Township of Oscoda**



County Commissioners Forum

MAC's online message board allows county commissioners to share challenges, solutions and ideas with their colleagues. You must register to use the message board. ([See these easy-to-follow instructions for registration.](#))

For more information on the Forum, contact Derek Melot at melot@micounties.org.

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Moving Forward Working Together


July 15, 2024

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48726

Attached, please find a certified resolution from the Cass City Village Council adopted at a Regular Meeting on June 24, 2024, to support the Cass River Crossing to bypass M-53, and take a safer route of Greenland Road to the Cass River, for the Amish Community.

As decision makers look into this option for the local Amish travelers, we ask that this resolution be included to show our support for safer travels in our community.

With regards,


Nanette Walsh
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Cass City

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Village of Cass City
RESOLUTION 2024.6.24-01

Support for Cass River Crossing for the Amish Community

WHEREAS, there is a populated Amish community that live in the townships surrounding the Village of Cass City, and

WHEREAS, many in the Amish community routinely and regularly seek goods and services available in the Village, and

WHEREAS, the Amish travel by horse and buggy to the Village for those goods and services, and

WHEREAS, the route for travel to the Village includes a state highway, M-53, with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hours, and

WHEREAS, tragically there have been many vehicle and horse and buggy accidents that resulted in serious injury or loss of life,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Village of Cass City recommends and supports the use of DNR land to create an access road for the Amish community to bypass traveling on M-53 and take a safer route of Greenland Road to the Cass River, to be financed and built by the Amish; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Village of Cass City recommends and supports the construction of a bridge to cross the Cass River to Kelly Road as a route for Amish buggies to come to Cass City; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners, State Representative Greg Alexander, State Senator Dan Lauwers, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

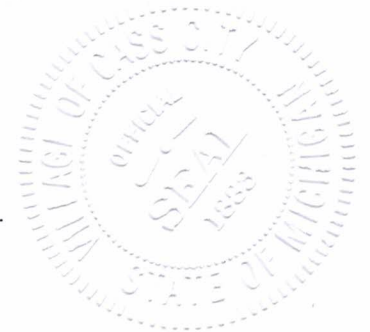
AYES: *Benkelman, Dorland, Griesing, Kirn, Leeson, Piaskowski*

NAYS: *NONE*

Resolution declared adopted.

6-24-2024
Date

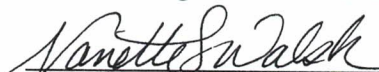

Clerk, Village of Cass City



Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Cass City Village Council, County of Tuscola, Michigan, at a meeting held on Monday, June 24, 2024.

6-24-2024
Date


Clerk, Village of Cass City

Elkland Township Board
6691 Church St
Cass City, MI 48726

July 8, 2024

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
125 W Lincoln St.
Caro, MI 48723

RE: Resolution Adopted June 10, 2024: Support for Cass River Crossing for the Amish Community

Dear Tuscola County Board of Commissioners,

Please find our adopted Resolution 2024-8 enclosed, in support of using DNR land to create a bypass of state highway M-53 for the Amish Community. We hope you will also consider supporting this access road for the safety of the Amish Community as well as those that travel M-53.

Sincerely,



Elkland Township Clerk on behalf of the Elkland Township Board
Terry Muntz, Supervisor
Heather Severance, Clerk
Cynthia Kruse, Treasurer
Tavis Osentoski, Trustee
Steve Wright, Trustee

Enc: Resolution 2024-8

Elkland Township
RESOLUTION 2024-8

Support for Cass River Crossing for the Amish Community

WHEREAS, there is a populated Amish community that live in the townships surrounding the Elkland Township, and

WHEREAS, many in the Amish community routinely and regularly seek goods and services available in the Township, and

WHEREAS, the Amish travel by horse and buggy within the Township for those goods and services, and

WHEREAS, the route for travel to the Township includes a state highway, M-53, with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hours, and

WHEREAS, tragically there have been many vehicle and horse and buggy accidents that resulted in serious injury or loss of life,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Elkland Township recommends and supports the use of DNR land to create an access road for the Amish community to bypass traveling on M-53 and take a safer route of Greenland Road to the Cass River, to be financed and built by the Amish; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Township of Elkland recommends and supports the construction of a bridge to cross the Cass River to Kelly Road as a route for Amish buggies to come to Cass City; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners, State Representative Greg Alexander, State Senator Dan Lauwers, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

AYES: *Muntz, Wright, Osentoski, Kruse, Severance*

NAYS:

Resolution declared adopted.

6-10-2024
Date

(Weather) Severance
Clerk, Elkland Township

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Elkland Township Board, County of Tuscola, Michigan, at a meeting held on Monday, June 10, 2024.

6-10-2024
Date

(Weather) Severance
Clerk, Elkland Township