

**RESOLUTION
R2024-066**

A Resolution Authorizing the Reallocation of Grant Year 2024 Senior Service Tax Levy Funding

Be it resolved by the County Board of the County of DeKalb, Illinois as follows:

WHEREAS, Voters of DeKalb County approved a .025% tax levy referendum in 1997 to be dedicated for Senior Services; and

WHEREAS, the funds are for the prevention of the premature institutionalization of seniors, keeping seniors out of nursing homes and hospitals which ultimately results in an aggregate cost savings for the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, funds are used to pay for services provided by local nonprofit organizations with a portion of funds utilized by the DeKalb County Community Mental Health Board (DCCMHB) to offset administrative costs; and

WHEREAS, With the assistance of Deanna Cada, Executive Director of the DCCMHB, the Health and Human Services (HHS) Committee solicits applications by agencies that provide these services and the HHS Committee reviews the applications and interviews each agency that requests funding before making a recommendation to the County Board as to how to allocate this year's funds; and

WHEREAS, for Grant Year 2023, the DeKalb County Board awarded the Kishwaukee Family YMCA \$1,650 for their Silver Sneakers and Insurance Discount Programs; and

WHEREAS, as of May 1, Kishwaukee Family YMCA has terminated their contracts with these insurance companies; and

WHEREAS, Kishwaukee Family YMCA has requested to reallocate the remaining GY24 Senior Tax Levy Funding to fund scholarships for low-income seniors in the form of membership fees; and

WHEREAS, the Health & Human Services Committee has reviewed the request and recommends the remaining GY24 funds awarded to Kishwaukee Family YMCA be reallocated to fund scholarships for low-income seniors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the DeKalb County Board does approve the recommendation of the Health and Human Services Committee and agrees to reallocation the remaining GY24 funds awarded to Kishwaukee Family YMCA to fund scholarships for low-income seniors.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the DeKalb County Board does direct the Community Mental Health Department to create a written agreement with Kishwaukee Family YMCA specifying the services to be purchased and unit amounts to be paid, and authorizes the Chair of the Board to execute said agreement.

PASSED THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY 2024 AT SYCAMORE, ILLINOIS


ATTEST:



Tasha Sims
DeKalb County Clerk



SIGNED:



Ellingsworth Webb, Chair
DeKalb County Board



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Dear DeKalb County Board,

The Kishwaukee Family YMCA is respectfully requesting permission to reallocate our May and June Senior Tax Levy funding. Originally, we were approved funding for supplementing our Silver Sneakers / Insurance Discount programming. On May 1, we are terminating our contracts with these insurance companies, and they will no longer be accepted.

For the remaining two months of the 2023 – 2024 tax levy payments, we would request to use our funding to help fund scholarships for low-income seniors in the form of memberships fees. Currently, we have sixty-nine seniors receiving membership scholarships for a value of \$1,280 per month or \$15,355 per year. This number will increase as additional seniors will continue to apply for scholarships as we continue to transition from the insurance discount memberships to regular senior memberships.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask. The Y thanks you in advance for your time and consideration to this matter.

Brian Bickner – Kishwaukee Family YMCA CEO

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