

# COUNTY OF ERIE

# **CHRIS COLLINS**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

**SUSPENSION** 

March 24, 2011

The Honorable Erie County Legislature 92 Franklin Street – Fourth Floor Buffalo, New York 14202

RE:

Rodent Control Program

Erie County Health Department

#### Honorable Members:

Attached is a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting approval to increase funding to the Erie County Health Department to assist towns and villages in transitioning rodent control services from the County to their municipalities.

Should your honorable body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Health Department. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

CHRIS COLLINS

Erie County Executive

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature

From:

Erie County Department of Health

RE:

Rodent Control Program

Date:

March 24, 2011

#### **SUMMARY**

Rodent control is an ongoing concern for certain municipalities in Erie County. The County Health Department desires to assist towns and villages in a transition from the County to the towns and villages of the provision of rodent control services within their municipality.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funding is not currently available in the 2011 budget; however, funds are available from unanticipated revenues received in 2010 for Federal Medicaid assistance (FMAP).

#### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

In order for Erie County to assist the towns and villages during this transition period, funding needs to be identified and made available for expenditure in 2011.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Erie County Health Department has worked with towns and villages for many years in administering a rodent control program and now seeks to transition the provision of such services to towns and villages.

#### CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

The County will not have the funding to assist towns and villages with this transition.

#### STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Budget adjustments will be made and the Health Department will work with towns and villages to implement this change.

# A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: Erie County Department of Health

# **RE:** Rodent Control Program

WHEREAS, rodent control is an ongoing concern for certain municipalities within Erie County, and

WHEREAS, County rodent control programs are being transitioned to town and village programs; and

WHEREAS, Erie County seeks as to assist towns and villages with this transition, and

WHEREAS, funds are not currently available in the 2011 Budget for a rodent control program, and

WHEREAS, Erie County received Federal Medicaid assistance funds (FMAP) beyond anticipated amounts for 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that an increase in the 2010 budget is hereby authorized for the purpose of assisting the towns and villages in implementing rodent control programs, as follows:

Revenue

Fund Center 120 Social Services

Account 414030 – Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP)

\$70,000

Expense

Fund Center 12730 Public Health Laboratory

Account 505800 - Medical and Health Supplies

\$70,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to reappropriate said funds from the 2010 budget into 2011 within the Health Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, that if Federal and/or State regulations require that the towns and villages make the purchases necessary for these programs the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any necessary agreements to accomplish this; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Budget Director is hereby authorized to make any necessary budget changes to implement the above in the 2010 and 2011 budgets, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Erie County Health Department.