

**IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the County Executive to execute a cooperative agreement with Legal Aid of Western Missouri of Kansas City, MO, at a cost to the county not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**RESOLUTION #17219**, March 22, 2010

**INTRODUCED BY** James D. Tindall, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Housing Resources Commission has a need to provide low-cost or no-cost legal services to Jackson County residents to assist in the prevention of homelessness due to evictions and foreclosures; and,

WHEREAS, Section 1030.1, Jackson County Code, 1984, eliminates the requirement for competitive bidding when items or services can be obtained from only one source and requires notification of and approval by the Legislature on such sole source purchases exceeding \$25,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, Legal Aid of Western Missouri is a not-for-profit organization providing essential legal services to low income citizens, is uniquely qualified to provide low-cost or no-cost legal services, and has a proven track record in preventing homelessness due to evictions and foreclosures; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance and Purchasing recommends a cooperative

agreement with Legal Aid of Western Missouri of Kansas City, MO, to provide low-cost or no-cost legal services in furtherance of homelessness prevention due to evictions and foreclosures as recommended by the Jackson County Housing Resources Commission, in the amount of \$100,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Director further recommends that he not take competitive bids with regard to said cooperative agreement for the reason that Legal Aid of Western Missouri of Kansas City, MO, is uniquely qualified as a sole source provider of the necessary services; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that award be made as recommended by the Director of Finance and Purchasing and that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to execute a cooperative agreement with Legal Aid of Western Missouri, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 and in a form to be approved by the County Counselor; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance and Purchasing is authorized to make all payments including final payment on the contract.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

*Pamela Fellin*  
Deputy/Assistant County Counselor

*Wm L. Ayden*  
Acting County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution #17219 of March 22, 2010, was duly passed on *March 22*, 2010 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

*3.23.10*  
Date

*Mary Jo Spino by cmf*  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 043 7001 56789

ACCOUNT TITLE: Homeless Assistance Fund  
Housing Resource Commission  
Outside Agency Funding

NOT TO EXCEED: \$100,000.00

*March 17, 2010*  
Date

*D. [Signature]*  
Director of Finance and Purchasing

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**REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/~~Ord~~ No.: 17219

Sponsor(s): James D. Tindall

Date: March 22, 2010

<p><b>SUBJECT</b></p>	<p>Action Requested  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution  <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: <u>Authorizing the County Executive to execute a Contract with Legal Aide of Western Missouri for the furnishing of Housing Related Services to the Homeless Population of Jackson County, Missouri at a cost to the County not to exceed \$100,000.00 as a Sole Source.</u></p>										
<p><b>BUDGET INFORMATION</b>  <i>To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance</i></p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number 043-7001-56789 Homeless Assistance Fund, Housing Resource Commission, Outside Agency Funding</td> <td>\$100,000.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$</p> <p><b>OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required)  <input type="checkbox"/> Term and Supply Contract (funds approved in the annual budget); estimated value and use of contract:  Department: Estimated Use: \$</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable):  Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable):</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$	Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):	\$	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number 043-7001-56789 Homeless Assistance Fund, Housing Resource Commission, Outside Agency Funding	\$100,000.00
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<p><b>PRIOR LEGISLATION</b></p>	<p>Prior ordinances and (date):   Prior resolutions and (date):</p>										
<p><b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b></p>	<p>RLA drafted by (name, title, &amp; phone): Barbara Casamento, Purchasing Supervisor, 881-3253</p>										
<p><b>REQUEST SUMMARY</b></p>	<p>The Jackson County Housing Resources Commission needs to provide low-cost or no-cost legal services to the Homeless Population of Jackson County, Missouri and low-cost or no-cost legal services to Jackson County residents to help prevent them from becoming homeless due to eviction or foreclosure.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 1030.1 of the Jackson County Code, 1984, the Director of Finance and Purchasing recommends the award of Contract for Legal Housing Related Services for Jackson County residents to Legal Aide of Western Missouri, Kansas City, Missouri in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 as a Sole Source.</p>										
<p><b>CLEARANCE</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing &amp; Department)  <input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing &amp; Department) N/A  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)</p>										

ATTACHMENTS	Memorandum from Ms. Celestine Williams, Housing Resources Commission Director.	
REVIEW	Department Director: <i>Celestine Y. Williams</i>	Date: <i>3/16/10</i>
	Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i> <i>Mary Rasmussen</i>	Date: <i>3/17/10</i>
	Division Manager: <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: <i>3/17/10</i>
	County Counselor's Office:	Date: .

Fiscal Information (to be verified by Budget Office in Finance Department)

- This expenditure was included in the annual budget.
- Funds for this were encumbered from the \_\_\_\_\_ Fund in \_\_\_\_\_.
- There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.
- Funds sufficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance # \_\_\_\_\_
- Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Account Number:	Account Title:	Amount Not to Exceed:

- This award is made on a need basis and does not obligate Jackson County to pay any specific amount. The availability of funds for specific purchases will, of necessity, be determined as each using agency places its order.
- This legislative action does not impact the County financially and does not require Finance/Budget approval.



**Barbara J. Casamento**

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**From:** Celestine I. Williams  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010 1:57 PM  
**To:** Barbara J. Casamento  
**Subject:** Legal Aide of Western MO

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** March 16, 2010  
**To:** Barbara Casamento  
Purchasing Supervisor  
**From:** Celestine I. Williams  
HRC Director  
**Subject:** Legal Aide of Western Missouri Funding

On January 27, 2010, the Housing Resources Commission awarded \$100, 000 to Legal Aide to provide services at a low cost or no cost to Jackson County constituent's who are in a homeless or near homeless situation. Legal Aide is the only agency in the Kansas City area that provides low or no cost legal services.

In 2009, Legal Aide was able prevent many persons from becoming homeless due to eviction or foreclosure because of there outstanding services provided through the funding of the HRC.

Thanks.

Celestine I. Williams  
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