



DU PAGE COUNTY

Human Services

Final Summary

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Tuesday, February 17, 2026

9:30 AM

Room 3500A

1. CALL TO ORDER

9:30 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Greg Schwarze at 9:30 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Other Board members present: Member Yeena Yoo

Staff in attendance: Nick Kottmeyer (Chief Administrative Officer), Joan Olson (Chief Communications Officer), Renee Zerante (State's Attorney Office), Keith Jorstad (Finance), Henry Kocker (Procurement), Joan Fox, Julie Hamlin, Gina Strafford-Ahmed (Community Services), and Janelle Chadwick (DuPage Care Center).

PRESENT	Cronin Cahill, Garcia, LaPlante, and Schwarze
ABSENT	DeSart, and Galassi

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

4. CHAIR REMARKS - CHAIR SCHWARZE

Greg Schwarz, Chair of the Human Services Committee, thanked the committee members for their feedback regarding the efforts to respond to food insecurity in DuPage County. Staff and I have been listening to County Board Chair Conroy, public comments, and various stakeholders around the county. and taking notes. Our number one goal is to provide for pantries that support our residents in need, and to transform the food system infrastructure so DuPage pantries receive fresh healthy food in a timely manner, allowing them to distribute products as soon as possible to fulfill the long-term sustainability. At our next Human Services Committee meeting on March 3, we expect to have some proposed initiatives for this committee to consider as we work together to accomplish these goals. Mary Keating will be here and we can have a robust discussion.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.A. [26-0723](#)

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RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
SECONDER:	Paula Garcia

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES - MARY KEATING**6.A. [HS-CO-0004-26](#)**

Amendment to County Contract 7854-0001 SERV issued to Healthy Air Heating & Air, Inc. for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Program for Community Services, to increase the contract by \$150,000. (Community Services)

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

7. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - MARY KEATING**7.A. [HS-R-0005-26](#)**

Recommendation for approval of a 1st Modification to a HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Agreement with Taft and Exmoor LP, Project Numbers HM21-05/HM22-02/HM23-02, incorporating newly effective requirements under the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, and incorporating language regarding immigration restrictions, requirements, eligibility, and verification, as applicable, due to a recent federal register notice issued by HUD.

Member Garcia asked for clarity on what HUD'S new restrictions are on immigration restrictions. Julie Hamlin, Administrator of Community Development, replied that the addition of 'as applicable' covers new requirements by HUD, this information confirmed by Assistant State's Attorney, Renee Zerante.

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

7.B. [HS-R-0006-26](#)

Recommendation for Approval of the Transfer of Ownership and Assumption of all associated HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Requirements from Illinois Independent Living Center, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation to Little Friends, Inc., an Illinois not-for-profit corporation for Project Number HM16-01 Katharine Manor Apartments.

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

7.C. [HS-R-0007-26](#)

Recommendation for approval of a 1st Modification to a HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Agreement with Addison Horizon Limited Partnership, Project Numbers HM22-01/HM23-01 – Addison Horizon Senior Living Community – removing reference to one on-site manager’s unit and to ensure ongoing compliance with HOME property standard and inspection requirements.

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
SECONDER:	Paula Garcia

7.D. [HS-R-0008-26](#)

Recommendation for approval of a 1st Modification to a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Agreement with the Village of Addison, Project Number CD25-02, incorporating newly effective requirements under the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
SECONDER:	Paula Garcia

7.E. [26-0724](#)

Recommendation for approval of a 2nd Modification - 2nd Time Extension - to a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Agreement with the City of West Chicago, Project Number CD24-04, extending the agreement time period to April 30, 2026.

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
AYES:	Cronin Cahill, Garcia, LaPlante, and Schwarze
ABSENT:	DeSart, and Galassi

8. **DUPAGE CARE CENTER - JANELLE CHADWICK**8.A. [HS-P-0015-26](#)

Recommendation for the approval of a contract purchase order to Kronos, Inc., for time clocks for the DuPage Care Center, for the period February 25, 2026 through February 24, 2027, for a contract total amount not to exceed \$52,624. Per 55 ILCS 5/5-1022(c) not suitable for competitive bids. (Sole Source - sole maintenance/upgrade provider.) (DuPage Care Center)

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
SECONDER:	Paula Garcia

8.B. [HS-P-0016-26](#)

Recommendation for the approval of a contract purchase order to Advacare Systems, for rental of medical equipment (beds and mattresses), for the DuPage Care Center, for the period of March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027, for a contract total amount not to exceed \$67,000; under bid renewal #25-002-DCC, first of three one-year optional renewals.

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

9. BUDGET TRANSFERS**9.A. [26-0725](#)**

Transfer of funds from account no. 1200-2040-52000 furniture/machinery/equipment small value) to account no. 1200-2040-54110 (equipment and machinery) in the amount of \$4,500 for FY26 to cover the three security duress buttons for the Administration hallway in the DuPage Care Center.

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
SECONDER:	Paula Garcia

9.B. [26-0726](#)

Transfer of funds from account no. 1400-5920-50010 (overtime) to account no. 1400-5920-50040 (part-time help) in the amount of \$112 for PY25 to cover the remaining account balance for part-time help. (Community Services Family Center Neutral Site Custody Exchange)

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

10. CONSENT ITEMS**Motion to Combine Items**

Member Garcia moved and Member Cahill seconded a motion to combine items 10.A. through 10.J. The motion was approved on voice vote, all "ayes".

10.A. [26-0727](#)

Professional Medical & Supply, Contract 7352-0001 SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$47,763.15 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired.

10.B. [26-0728](#)

Arcos Environmental Services, Contract 6788-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$181,946.27 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)

10.C. [26-0729](#)

Chicago United Industries, Ltd, Contract 6687-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$65,786 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)

- 10.D. [26-0730](#)
Chicago United Industries, Ltd, Contract 7346-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$64,488 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.E. [26-0731](#)
Comfort 1st Insulation & Energy Solutions, Inc. Contract 6789-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$208,104.10 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.F. [26-0732](#)
Comfort 1st Insulation & Energy Solutions, Inc. Contract 7471-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$50,000 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.G. [26-0733](#)
Healthy Air Heating & Air, Inc. Contract 6791-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$38,150.39 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.H. [26-0734](#)
Healthy Air Heating & Air Inc. Contract 6792-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$24,037.59 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.I. [26-0735](#)
Nortek Environmental, Inc. Contract 6790-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$498,658.40 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)
- 10.J. [26-0736](#)
Benevate, Inc. Contract 7143-0001-SERV - This Purchase Order is decreasing in the amount of \$30,600 and closing due to Purchase Order has expired. (Community Services)

RESULT:	APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill
AYES:	Cronin Cahill, Garcia, LaPlante, and Schwarze
ABSENT:	DeSart, and Galassi

11. INFORMATIONAL**11.A. [26-0737](#)**

GPN 008-26 PY26 Homeless System Capacity Expansion Pilot, Illinois Department of Human Services, \$90,920. (Community Services)

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Paula Garcia
SECONDER:	Cynthia Cronin Cahill

12. RESIDENCY WAIVERS - JANELLE CHADWICK

No residency waivers were offered.

13. DUPAGE CARE CENTER UPDATE - JANELLE CHADWICK

Janelle Chadwick, Administrator of the DuPage Care Center, stated there are no isolation issues from communicable disease at this time.

The Care Center had the architect surveyor from the State come for 2 North, 2 Center, and 2 South for their inspection. They had a very short timeline to submit changes based on his findings. There were some things the Care Center disagreed with but in the consideration of time, they did implement the changes, not only in the current job, but all previous renovations, such as adding two inches to the top of every cabinet in all the residents' rooms. The Care Center did not want to risk the work not being completed and then have to wait 60 days for the inspectors to come back. Eventually it was determined the surveyor was referencing stiffer requirements (critical care?) and the changes were not necessary. Ms. Chadwick looks forward to seeing what the letter says directing them to the clinical inspection.

The DuPage Care Center Legacy Gala sold 140 tickets for the event on February 21, 2026, to be held at the Bloomingdale Golf Club from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ms. Chadwick did not have a firm commitment from staff to the revenue generated, but said they are on par with matching or exceeding the fall festival events.

1000 balloons were distributed via financial donations to the residents at the Care Center on February 13 in honor of Valentine's Day.

14. COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE - MARY KEATING

No remarks were offered.

15. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

16. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

17. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:43 AM.