

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Education, Veterans & Aging  
Services Committee  
INITIATED BY



Joyce Lubben  
DRAFTED BY

Education, Veterans & Aging  
Services Committee  
SUBMITTED BY

August 14, 2018  
DATE DRAFTED

**AMENDING THE 2018 COUNCIL ON AGING BUDGET TO ACCEPT THE MEDICARE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PATIENTS & PROVIDERS ACT (MIPPA) AND STATE HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANTS**

1 **WHEREAS**, the Council on Aging has received grants for the Medicare Improvements for Patients &  
2 Providers Act (MIPPA) and the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP); and,  
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4 **WHEREAS**, the purpose of the grant is provide assistance in enrolling eligible individuals in Medicare  
5 low income programs.  
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7 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
8 this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018 does hereby amend the Adopted 2018 Rock County  
9 Council on Aging budget as follows.

<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Budget at 08/01/2018</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<b><u>MIPPA</u></b>			
<b><u>Source of Funds</u></b>			
30-3954-0000-42100 Federal Aid	-0-	11,220	11,220
<b><u>Use of Funds</u></b>			
30-3954-0000-62626 Benefit Specialist	-0-	11,220	11,220
<b><u>SHIP</u></b>			
<b><u>Source of Funds</u></b>			
30-3974-0000-42100 Federal Aid	-0-	4,308	4,308
<b><u>Use of Funds</u></b>			
30-3974-0000-62626 Benefit Specialist	-0-	4,308	4,308

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Respectfully submitted,

EDUCATION, VETERANS & AGING SERVICES

Rick Richard  
Rick Richard, Chair

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Norvain A. Pleasant, Vice Chair

Tom Brien  
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Craig J. Drankke  
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Phillip Owens  
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FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Reviewed and approved on a vote of  
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Mary Mawhinney  
Mary Mawhinney, Chair

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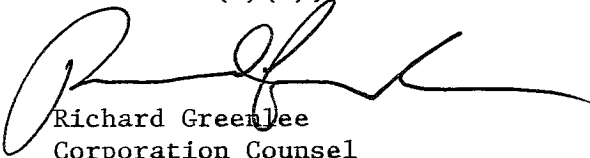
This resolution authorized the acceptance and expenditure of \$11,220 in Federal Aid for the MIPPA grant and \$4,308 in Federal Aid for SHIP. No County matching funds are required.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2018 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.



Richard Greenlee  
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Josh Smith  
County Administrator

### Executive Summary

The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) of 2008 is a piece of legislation related to Medicare. One important provision of MIPPA was the allocation of federal funding for State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIP) to help low-income Medicare beneficiaries apply for programs that make Medicare affordable. The Rock County Council on Aging's Elder Benefit Specialist is the designated SHIP Counselor for older, eligible adults.

MIPPA and SHIP grantees specifically help low-income seniors and persons with disabilities to apply for two programs that help pay for their Medicare costs:

- The Medicare Part D Extra Help/Low-Income Subsidy (LIS/Extra Help), which helps pay for the Part D premium and reduces the cost of prescriptions at the pharmacy, and
- The Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs), which help pay for Medicare Part B.

MIPPA and SHIP grantees also provide Part D counseling to Medicare beneficiaries who live in rural areas, and are tasked to promote Medicare's prevention and wellness benefits.

No county tax levy is required.