

LIVINGSTON COUNTY
FINANCIAL POLICY REGARDING THE
REPLACEMENT OF LOST STATE REVENUES

RESOLUTION #603-183

LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

APPROVED: 6.2.03

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan is in the midst of a serious budget crisis anticipated to result in a reduction of nearly \$2.0 billion in fiscal year 2004; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this budget shortfall, the State expects to balance the budget with reductions in funding for a variety of programs and services provided at a county level; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government which acts as the source of funds to many programs is also struggling with budget concerns which are expected to result in significant reductions or elimination of funding provided the State; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the reduction in funding levels for programs, it is anticipated that non-Constitutionally guaranteed State Shared Revenues including funds provided to Counties will either be eliminated or dramatically reduced; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Board of Commissioners has the fiduciary responsibility to prudently guide the County, while maintaining proper fiscal restraint.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby advises all County Departments that it is the policy of the County not to fund programs, activities, services nor facilities nor personnel formally funded by the State of Michigan or the Federal Government, unless it can be determined that the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Livingston County will be negatively affected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners will only consider appropriating County funds in lieu of lost State/Federal funds after the Department demonstrates that all internal spending controls and other reductions have been vigorously exercised.

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Moved: Commissioner Rogers

Supported: Commissioner Dolan

Carried: 8-0-1 absent (Chrysler)

Roll call vote: Ayes: Belser, Palazzolo, Andersen, Parker, Reader, Rogers, Dolan, LaBelle

Nays: None