

Forest Preserve District of Cook County

118 North Clark Chicago, IL 60602

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Office of the General Superintendent

Other Part(ies): University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Department of Public Administration, College of Urban Planning and Public Administration, on behalf of, University of Illinois at Chicago ("UIC")

Goods or Services: Consulting services for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") Racial, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion ("REDI") committee, in its dedicated commitment to set the framework for a cultural environment which embraces diversity, as it strives to connect more individuals to nature.

Agreement Number(s): 74000006060

Agreement Period: 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020

Fiscal Impact: Original amount \$14,000.00 NTE \$25,000.00 if additional related services are requested at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.520840

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Forest Preserves' REDI committee will strive to set the framework to encourage equitable values and practices throughout the Forest Preserves. UIC will provide technical consultation and support to the REDI committee in three (3) areas: Equity Foundations Training and Facilitation on racial equity concepts and processes; research and data analysis on equity business process improvements; and project and partnership development. Support in these concentrated areas, will advance cultural work which embraces diversity and provide inclusion among Forest Preserves employees, visitors, and partners. The REDI committee effort provides a profound and thorough institutional and operational component to business process improvement while building on strategies which emit and energize the appropriate experiences throughout the Forest Preserves.