

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEAP CHALLENGE GRANT FY 2026**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has appropriated \$2 million for Shared Services and Implementation, Challenge, and County Shared Services Coordinator Grants to assist local units with the study, development, and implementation of new shared and regional services; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has allocated \$150,000 within each county in Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) funds to promote innovation among peer local units across New Jersey, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) administers the LEAP grant program; and

WHEREAS, the LEAP Challenge Grant exists to challenge municipalities and counties to collaborate on more extensive partnership and collaborations to produce efficiencies through shared services; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Orange and the Township of West Orange have determined to apply for a LEAP Challenge Grant through the State of New Jersey Local Efficiency Achievement Program in the amount of \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Orange has agreed to be the lead agency in this program; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has made LEAP Grants available to assist local units to study, develop, and implement new shared services initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the project submitted in this grant application is intended to provide benefits to the participant local units' residents through the sharing of DPW services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of West Orange that the Township of West Orange does hereby join with the City of East Orange in applying for a LEAP challenge grant to support undertaking this endeavor.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk

Susan Scarpa
Council President

Adopted: April 14, 2026

CERTIFICATION

I, Karen J. Carnevale, Municipal Clerk of the Township of West Orange in the County of Essex, and the State of New Jersey do hereby Certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Township of West Orange at its meeting of April 14, 2026