

**CUNNINGHAM TOWNSHIP
BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, August 24, 2026
6:30 p.m.
400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801**

AGENDA

- 1) ROLL CALL**
- 2) ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**
- 3) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- 4) NEW BUSINESS**
 - a) Closed Session: Property Pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)**
 - b) Resolution No. 2026-08-019R: A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Sign a Lease for the Living Room Project (FY 27)**
- 5) ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. T-2026-08-019R: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A LEASE FOR THE LIVING ROOM PROJECT (FY27)

WHEREAS, the Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office (CTSO) is committed to expanding municipal health, safety, and community support systems to serve low-income, housing-insecure, and vulnerable residents of Cunningham Township; and

WHEREAS, there is a critical need in Champaign County for community-based, non-clinical crisis stabilization options to support individuals experiencing acute mental health crises, psychological distress, or situational trauma, and to divert them away from emergency departments and the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois, through the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Division of Mental Health (Grant Code 510-RTLRL), has awarded Cunningham Township a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) grant award totaling approximately \$1.3 million over three years to establish and operate a 24/7/365 peer-led Living Room Program (LRP); and

WHEREAS, to fulfill state grant requirements and open the Living Room facility by the state-mandated deadline of October 1, 2026, CTSO must secure and lease a suitable physical property within the municipal boundaries of Urbana/Champaign; and

WHEREAS, the physical location will provide a welcoming, trauma-informed environment, basic needs support (including laundry, shower, and kitchen access), peer recovery services, and clinical oversight in collaboration with community partners and municipal first responders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham, Champaign County, State of Illinois, that the Township Board hereby approves this Resolution authorizing the Township Supervisor, Danielle Chynoweth, to execute and sign any and all necessary real estate leases for the Living Room Project for FY27 within the parameters of the approved IDHS grant award and Cunningham Township budget limits.

Approved this 10th day of August, 2026, by the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham, Champaign County, State of Illinois.

Darcy Sandefur
Town Clerk

DeShawn Williams
Chair, Township Board