

RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Behavioral Health Redesign Steering
Committee
INITIATED BY

Human Services Board, Staff
Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen
DRAFTED BY

February 10, 2014
DATE DRAFTED

CREATING ONE BACHELOR SOCIAL WORKER / CASE MANAGER I/II POSITION

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Rock County was awarded a Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Planning and
- 2 Implementation Grant beginning October 1, 2013, which included \$250,000 in federal aid; and
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- 4 **WHEREAS**, the main purpose of the grant is to provide dedicated reentry services to jail inmates with
- 5 mental illness or mental illness and co-occurring substance abuse disorders (MI/COD); and
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- 7 **WHEREAS**, this reentry initiative requires the hiring of a grant funded, bachelor level, reentry social
- 8 worker to provide wraparound case management to MI/COD inmates to facilitate their transition back
- 9 into the community by using evidence based practices and principles, connecting them with community
- 10 based services and support, including applying for benefits, integrated mental health and alcohol and
- 11 other drug treatment services, medications, housing, education, transportation, and other needs as
- 12 necessary; and,
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- 14 **WHEREAS**, this is a grant funded position, ending upon completion of the grant/depletion of grant
- 15 funds; and,
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- 17 **WHEREAS**, grant funds were previously accepted and appropriated by the County Board via
- 18 resolution on September 26, 2013; and,
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- 20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 21 this 27 day of February, 2014 does hereby approve the creation of the grant funded 1.0 FTE
- 22 Bachelor Social Worker / Case Manager I/II position and authorize the Human Services Department to
- 23 fill this position.

14-2B-532

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian Knudson, Chair

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Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Vice Chair

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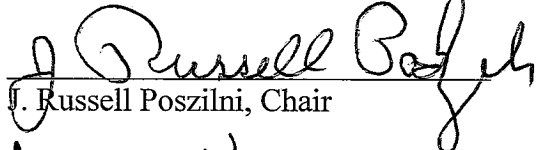
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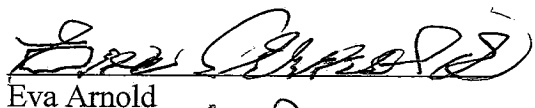
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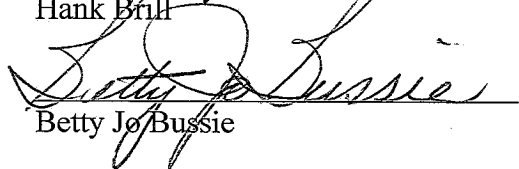
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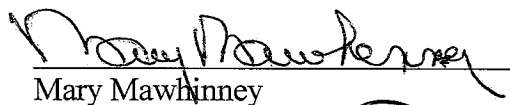

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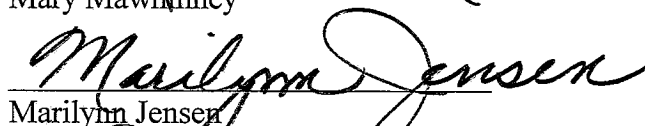

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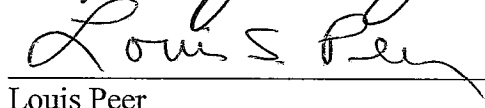

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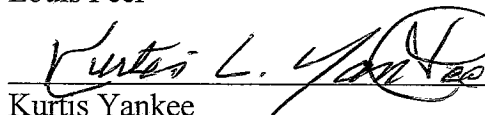

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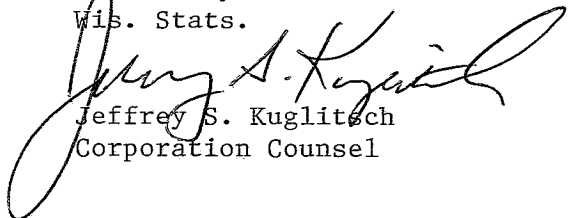
FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution authorizes the creation of a limited term Bachelor Social Worker / Case Manager I/II position to be funded by the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant.


Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to § 59.22(2), Wis. Stats.


Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.


Craig Knutson
County Administrator

Executive Summary

CREATING ONE BACHELOR SOCIAL WORKER / CASE MANAGER I/II POSITION

On September 5, 2013, Rock County was awarded a \$250,000 federal Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Planning and Implementation grant to provide dedicated reentry services to jail inmates with mental illness or mental illness and co-occurring substance abuse disorders (MI/COD). On September 26, 2013, the County Board accepted the grant funds and amended the budget to account for the grant activities.

The target population consists of offenders in the jail charged with a non-violent offense and a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of an Axis I mental health disorder or relevant Axis II disorder appropriate for MI treatment and rehabilitation services. It is expected 75% of these individuals will have a COD. In 2012, 151 inmates were identified as having a previously diagnosed Axis I disorder, or Axis I disorder with a COD. At any given time, a reentry social worker will serve 20 individuals both in the jail and for a period of 30-90 days post-release, until permanent services are established in the community. It is estimated 120 individuals will be served during the grant's implementation phase. A reentry social worker will provide wraparound case management to MI/COD inmates to facilitate their transition back into the community by using evidence based practices and principles, connecting them with community-based services and support, including applying for benefits, integrated MI and AODA treatment services, medications, housing, education, transportation, and other needs as necessary.

This position will cease upon completion of the grant when all grant funds are expended. At that time, the County Board will decide whether to continue funding the position and/or the services it provides.