

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating
Council, EBDM Committee
INITIATED BY



1/3/2024
DATE DRAFTED

Authorizing Acceptance of the Wisconsin Department of Justice Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD) Grant Funds

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) has appropriated funding for grants to programs that deliver treatment and diversion alternatives to jail and prison for non-violent offenders with assessed needs related to drug and alcohol abuse; and,

WHEREAS, TAD funds are administered by the DOJ, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, the Director of Wisconsin State Courts Office, and the Wisconsin State Public Defender’s Office.; and,

WHEREAS, grant funding was available to support TAD programs for calendar year 2024, which will be the third year of the present five-year funding cycle. Funded programs range from pre- and post-charge diversion at the initial prosecutorial decision-making stage to treatment courts, including alternatives to revocation, based on local needs and project design factors; and,

WHEREAS, Rock County submitted an application to continue TAD funding for its Drug Treatment Court Program, which has received funding since 2006, and expand its Deferred Prosecution Program, which was developed through the Evidence-Based Decision Making Initiative and started in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Rock County’s application for 2024 was approved in the amount of \$366,667 including \$275,000 in state aid (\$150,000 for Drug Court and \$125,000 for Deferred Prosecution) and a \$91,667 cash and in-kind services match; and,

WHEREAS, match funds, in the amount of 25%, will be covered by additional cash funds already allocated to the Drug Court Program and in-kind staff time for the Deferred Prosecution Program; and,

WHEREAS, this grant will have a designated program director and fiscal manager from the Rock County Sheriff’s Office responsible for submitting grant reports; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) fully supports the Drug Treatment Court program and will continue to act as the advisory body to the Drug Treatment Court program and the Evidence-Based Decision Making Committee fully supports the Deferred Prosecution Program and will act as the advisory body over the Deferred Prosecution Program.

WHEREAS, this funding was previously accounted for in the 2024 budget approved by the County Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 25th day of January, 2024, does hereby accept the Treatment Alternatives and Diversion Grant funds in the amount of \$366,667 including \$275,000 in state aid and a \$91,667 cash and in-kind services match.

FISCAL NOTE:

The grant accepts \$275,000 in Treatment Alternatives and Diversion Grant funds. The grant and the match were included in the 2024 budget.

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to § 59.52(19), Wis. Stats.

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Committee Action

Public Safety & Justice Committee

Public Safety & Justice Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.