

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Called by: John Butitta, Chairman
Members: Jean Crosby, Joe Hoffman, Keith McDonald, Jaime Salgado, John F. Sweeney, Michael Thompson

DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024
TIME: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 5:30 PM
LOCATION: ROOM 303
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BLDG
404 ELM STREET
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of June 6, 2024 Minutes
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Finance Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters which are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name.
- E. Ordinance for Approval of Budget Amendment for Circuit Court Mid-Year Adjustments
- F. Opioid Budget Amendments Discussion
- G. FY25 Budget Update
- H. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation
- I. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim against the County of Winnebago entitled Gina Tarara versus Winnebago County
- J. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim against the County of Winnebago entitled Ann Johns versus Winnebago County
- K. Other Matters
- L. Adjournment

**Winnebago County Board
Finance Committee Meeting**
County Administration Building
404 Elm Street, Room 303
Rockford, IL 61101

Thursday, June 6, 2024

Immediately following the Operations & Administrative Committee Meeting

Present:

John Butitta, **Chairperson**
Jaime Salgado, **Vice Chairperson**
Jean Crosby
Joe Hoffman
Keith McDonald
John F. Sweeney
Michael Thompson

Others Present:

Patrick Thompson, County Administrator
Steve Schultz, Chief Financial Officer
Chris Dornbush, Chief Operating Officer
Charlotte Hoss, State's Attorney Office
Lindsey D'Agnolo, Heyl Royster, Voelker & Allen

AGENDA:

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- E. Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for State's Attorney VOCA Grant Renewal
- F. Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for Bond Paying Agent Fees
- G. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation
- H. Other Matters
- I. Adjournment

Call to Order

Chairperson Butitta called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Roll Call

Chairperson Butitta yes, Ms. Crosby yes, Mr. Hoffman yes, Mr. McDonald yes, Mr. Salgado yes, Mr. Sweeney yes, Mr. Thompson yes.

Approval of May 2, 2024 Minutes

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to approve the May 2, 2024 Minutes.

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Thompson.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

Chairperson Butitta omitted reading the Public Comment Section of the Agenda due to no one present to speak.

Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for State's Attorney VOCA Grant Renewal

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Thompson.

- Discussion followed.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for Bond Paying Agent Fees

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Thompson.

- Discussion followed.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to enter Closed Session.

Motion: Mr. Thompson. Second: Mr. Salgado.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Roll Call

Chairperson Butitta yes, Ms. Crosby yes, Mr. Hoffman yes, Mr. McDonald yes, Mr. Salgado yes, Mr. Sweeney yes, Mr. Thompson yes.

Chairperson Butitta – No action was taken in Closed Session.

Other Matters

- None reported.

Adjournment

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Mr. Thompson. Second: Mr. Sweeney.

Motion to adjourn passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile
Administrative Assistant



Ordinance Executive Summary

Prepared By: Circuit Court – Thomas Jakeway

Committee: Finance

Committee Date: June 20 2024

Resolution Title: Ordinance for Approval of Budget Amendment for Circuit Court Mid-Year Adjustments

County Code: Winnebago County Annual Appropriation Ordinance

Board Meeting Date: June 27, 2024

Budget Information:

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|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Was item budgeted? | No | Appropriation Amount: | \$0 |
| If not, explain funding source: | Proportional Revenue Increase | | |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: | 32000-32240, 43190, 41110 & 43140 | | Budget Impact: Net Zero |

Background Information:

FY24 language access services within Other Professional Services have increased at an unprecedented pace. The budget for Other Professional Services is forecasted to be insufficient. Language access services are reimbursable from the Illinois Supreme Court. Existing Revenue budgeted for language access services can be adjusted with increased service expenses. This amendment seeks to increase Other Professional Services by \$160,000 along with a corresponding \$160,000 increase to Revenue. Thereby, there is no net budgetary increase.

After approval of the FY24 budget, the Illinois Supreme Court increased the minimum payment for attorneys appointed to represent indigent parties (see ILSC Rule 299 as amended January 1, 2024). The budget amount for Legal expenses is forecasted to be insufficient. This amendment seeks to address the expected overage by transferring \$100,000 in anticipated surplus regular salary expenses to Legal expenses. This is a transfer of already budgeted funds with no net budget increase.

Recommendation: Amendment presented following mid-year budget meeting with County Leadership.

Contract/Agreement: N/A

Legal Review: N/A

Follow-Up: Adjust Munis line Items

2024 Fiscal Year

Sponsored by:
John Butitta, Finance Committee Chairman

Finance: June 20, 2024

Lay Over: June 27, 2024

Final Vote: July 11, 2024

2024 CO

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

The Winnebago County Finance Committee presents the following Ordinance amending the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 and recommends its adoption.

Ordinance for Approval of Budget Amendment for Circuit Court Mid-Year Adjustments

WHEREAS, language access services have increased at an unprecedented pace and the Illinois Supreme Court increased the minimum payment for attorneys appointed to represent indigent parties; and,

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Board adopted the “Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance” for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 at its September 28, 2023 meeting; and,

WHEREAS, 55ILCS 5/6-1003(2014), states, “After the adoption of the county budget, no further appropriations shall be made at any other time during such fiscal year, except as provided in this Act. Appropriations in excess of those authorized by the budget in order to meet an immediate emergency may be made at any meeting of the board by a two-thirds vote of all the members constituting such board, the vote to be taken by ayes and nays and entered on the record of the meeting.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the County Board deems that pursuant to provisions as set forth in 55ILCS 5/6-1003(2014), certain conditions have occurred in connection with the operations of the County which are deemed to be immediate emergencies; therefore, the increases detailed per the attached Request for Budget Amendment are hereby authorized for Amendment **#24-008 Circuit Court Mid-Year Adjustments**.

AGREE

DISAGREE

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIR

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JAIME SALGADO, VICE CHAIR

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JEAN CROSBY

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JOE HOFFMAN

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KEITH McDONALD

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JOHN F. SWEENEY

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

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The above and foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the County Board of the County of

Winnebago, Illinois this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTESTED BY:

JOSEPH CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

LORI GUMMOW
CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

2024
WINNEBAGO COUNTY
 FINANCE COMMITTEE
 REQUEST FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT

| DATE SUBMITTED: | | 6/4/2024 | | AMENDMENT NO: 2024-008 | | | |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| DEPARTMENT: | | Circuit Court | | SUBMITTED BY: Thomas Jakeway | | | |
| FUND#: | | 0001 - General Fund | | DEPT. BUDGET NO. | | 32000 - Court Admin | |
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| Department Org Number | Object (Account) Number | Object (Account) Description | Adopted Budget | Amendments Previously Approved | Revised Approved Budget | Increase (Decrease) | Revised Budget after Approved Budget Amendment |
| 32000 | 32240 | Revenue | (\$109,000) | (\$235,000) | (\$344,000) | (\$160,000) | (\$504,000) |
| 32000 | 43190 | Other Professional Service | \$155,000 | \$0 | \$155,000 | \$160,000 | \$315,000 |
| 32000 | 41110 | Regular Salary | \$1,390,000 | \$0 | \$1,390,000 | (\$100,000) | \$1,290,000 |
| 32000 | 43140 | Legal | \$610,000 | \$0 | \$610,000 | \$100,000 | \$710,000 |
| TOTAL ADJUSTMENT: | | | | | | \$0 | |
| Reason budget amendment is required: | | | | | | | |
| <p>FY24 language access services within Other Professional Services have increased at an unprecedented pace. The budget for Other Professional Services is forecasted to be insufficient. Language access services are reimbursable from the Illinois Supreme Court. Existing Revenue budgeted for language access services can be adjusted with increased service expenses. This amendment seeks to increase Other Professional Services by \$160,000 along with a corresponding \$160,000 increase to Revenue. Thereby, there is no net budgetary increase.</p> <p>After approval of the FY24 budget, the Illinois Supreme Court increased the minimum payment for attorneys appointed to represent indigent parties (see ILSC Rule 299 as amended January 1, 2024). The budget amount for Legal expenses is forecasted to be insufficient. This amendment seeks to address the expected overage by transferring \$100,000 in anticipated surplus regular salary expenses to Legal expenses. This is a transfer of already budgeted funds with no net budget increase.</p> | | | | | | | |
| Potential alternatives to budget amendment: | | | | | | | |
| N/A | | | | | | | |
| Impact to fiscal year 2025 budget: Net zero increase | | | | | | | |
| Revenue Source: <u> N/A </u> | | | | | | | |



WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PURPOSE

The purpose of this initiative is to leverage opioid settlement funds to build capacity to address opioid-related issues at the County level.

BACKGROUND

Winnebago County Resolution 2018 CR 014 declared that the unlawful distribution of prescription controlled substances created a public nuisance and a serious public health and safety crisis for the citizens of Winnebago County. It further stated the County Board has expended, is expending, and will continue to expend in the future, County public funds to respond to the serious public health and safety crisis involving opioid abuse and addiction, morbidity, and mortality associated with that abuse in the County of Winnebago.

Nationwide settlements continue to resolve Opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against pharmaceutical distributors and manufacturers. The ensuing lawsuits have already, and may continue to, result in settlements for Winnebago County, Illinois.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

The Coroner's Office, 17th Judicial Circuit Court, Winnebago County Administration, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office / Jail, Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office, Winnebago County Public Defender's Office, River Bluff Nursing Home, and the Winnebago County Health Department are eligible to apply. Due to limited funds, each department is invited to submit *one* request.

ALLOWABLE USES / COSTS

Please use the budget template provided in Exhibit A. Funds are obligated to support opioid remediation through uses included in the list of Approved Abatement Programs attached as Exhibit B. Allowable costs may be subject to change based on agreements and/or exhibits for each potential settlement. Allowable Costs may include:

- Salary
- Fringe
- Travel
- Supplies

Proposals may include budget requests for up to two (2) years of funding. The number of proposals awarded will be dependent on multiple factors including number of requests received.

SUB AWARDS

- To manage administrative costs, if a sub-recipient is requested, the suggested minimum is one subaward per \$100,000.00.
- Funded County department is responsible for ensuring procedures are followed per the Winnebago County Budget Policy and Winnebago County sub-recipient monitoring procedures. This includes but is not limited to:
 - Developing fiscal and data reporting using approved templates.
 - Ensuring sub-recipient fiscal and data reports are complete and accurate prior to submission to County Administration.

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. For a list of core strategies and uses, see attached Exhibit B.

Please describe your proposed project to include evidence of need, as well as a description of proposed use for each Core Strategy. If you propose to address more than one Use in a Core Strategy, please clearly identify each Use within the narrative:

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| CORE STRATEGY: | TO RETAIN THE CURRENT GRANT FUNDED COMMUNITY CARE COORDINATOR POSITION |
| Uses(s): | To continue to support those in our community that are navigating the loss of a loved one due to opioid overdose. |
| <p>The need to retain the Community Care Coordinator position within the Coroner’s Office is multi-faceted. The most important of which is to continue to help reshape family’s lives after loss due to an opioid overdose. The Community Care Coordinator has been tasked with community outreach, education and overdose prevention efforts. Partnering with local non-profit organizations, the Winnebago County Health Department, substance use disorder treatment providers, hospitals and others in an effort to rebuild a community that is being plagued with an unprecedented number of overdose deaths.</p> <p>This fast-moving epidemic does not distinguish between age, sex, socioeconomic status or race and has quickly become the number one cause of unnatural deaths handled within our office. This crisis has manifested itself into multiple public health consequences which include but are not limited to; neonatal abstinence syndrome, increased spread of infectious diseases, homelessness and crime. The extent of these problems provides evidence of the seriousness of the crisis within our county. Perhaps none of these problems has heightened the awareness of the community to the same degree as the recent dramatic increase in opioid overdose deaths.</p> | |

With the retention of our current grant funded Community Care Coordinator, we are confident that the efforts brought forth, along with community partners, will continue to help break through the cycle through outreach, education and prevention strategies.

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| CORE STRATEGY: | |
| Use(s): | |
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Have you applied to other funding sources to implement all, or parts, of this project?

No

Please describe. Include funding source, year, amount, whether the application was successful, and relevant information:

Typically, there are very few grants that apply to the work or needs of a Coroner Department, though we are always searching.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative

A. **Personnel / Salary**— List each position by title and name of employee, if available. Show the annual salary rate and the percentage of time to be devoted to the project. Compensation paid for employees engaged in grant activities must be consistent with that paid for similar work within the applicant organization.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|---|----------------|---------------------|
| Ciceli McLin/Community Care Coordinator | Year 1 – Up to | \$52,000.00 |
| Ciceli McLin/Community Care Coordinator | Year 2 – Up to | 54,080.00 |
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| TOTAL SALARY | | \$106,080.00 |

SALARY NARRATIVE:

Salary to retain the current position of Community Care Coordinator for two more years, including cost of living increases.

B. **Fringe Benefits**—Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in budget category (A) and for 100% time devoted to the project.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Ciceli McLin/Community Care Coordinator | FICA/Medicare – 2 Years | \$8,115.00 |
| | Retirement – 2 Years | \$1,803.00 |
| | Life Insurance – 2 Years | \$91.00 |
| | Health Insurance – 2 Years | \$22,094.00 |
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| TOTAL FRINGE | | \$32,103.00 |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

FICA and Medicare based on 7.65% of wages.
 Retirement based on 1.70% of wages.
 Life Insurance based \$45.50 per year.
 Health insurance based on "Employee" at \$920.59 per month per year.

C. **Travel** -- Itemize travel expenses of project personnel by purpose (e.g., staff to training, field interviews, advisory group meeting, etc.). Indicate source of Travel Policies applied, Applicant or Federal Travel Regulations.

| Purpose of Travel | Location | Item | Computation | Cost |
|---|----------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Training | TBD | Education and Lodging | 2 Years | \$4,000.00 |
| County Car Pool Expense and Per Diem Fees | | County Vehicle | 2 Years | \$1,000.00 |
| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | \$5,000.00 |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

To provide access and accommodations for specialized opioid crisis/grief training.
 Per Diem calculated at location rate.

D. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
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| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$0.00 |

SUPPLY NARRATIVE:

N/A

E. Other Costs

| Item | Computation | Cost |
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| Outreach Event Costs | 2 Years | \$10,000.00 |
| Wireless Service | 2 Years | \$1,440.00 |
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| | TOTAL OTHER | \$11,440.00 |

OTHER COSTS NARRATIVE:

Outreach event costs will address the need to communicate, educate, and provide prevention events, including but not limited to rental fees, handouts, tablecloths, signage, educational displays and interactive props.
Continued wireless service for provided cell phone.

BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| A. Personnel | \$106,080.00 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | \$32,103.00 |
| C. Travel | \$5,000.00 |
| D. Supplies | \$0.00 |
| E. Other Costs | \$11,440.00 |
| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$154,623.00 |



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| CORE STRATEGY: | Expansion of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services: Provide comprehensive wrap-around services to individuals in recovery through transportation assistance. |
| Uses(s): | <p>(B.) Support People in Treatment and Recovery: Provide Comprehensive wrap around services to individuals with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH Conditions including transportation. Provide or support Transportation to treatment or recovery programs or services for persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions.</p> <p>(D.) Address the Needs of Criminal Justice-Involved Persons: Support Treatment and recovery courts that provide evidence-based options for persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/ MH conditions.</p> |

The Problem-Solving Courts (PSC) are treatment courts that provide wrap around treatment and intensive court supervision to participants to high risk and high need clients. These Court programs consist of Drug Court, TIP (mental health) Court, Veterans Court, Family Recovery Court, and Youth Recovery Court. These programs serve clients with severe substance use disorders and provide wrap around treatment services through residential treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, medication assisted treatment, recovery coaching, and therapy services. Of these participants, many have a diagnosis of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and those that do not have either a diagnosis of Substance Use Disorder or meet the criteria for Opioid Remediation Uses by have a Substance Use Disorder and/or Mental Health condition that puts them at risk of developing an OUD.

During the course of the participants' time in a Problem-Solving Court, the participant will be required to come to the Probation Department or Criminal Justice Center to provide a drug test a minimum of two to three times weekly as well as attend multiple treatment groups and individual therapy appointments per week. Many of the participants in the Problem-Solving Courts are indigent and have very little resources and therefore have significant limitations to transportation.

PSC participants that qualify for Medicaid may be able to set up Insurance funded transportation to some of their treatment services however this service is not available to all Medicaid clients and it is not allowable for transportation to court required drug testing or probation officer visits. When clients first enter the treatment courts, they often do not have insurance established and Lyft cards would assist in ensuring the clients are able to attend all of their treatment services and drug testing as required.

The PSC programs have been able to secure funding through grants to support bus passes for participants through Rockford Mass Transit (RMT), however there is a gap in transportation support as not all participants reside near a RMT bus route. Transportation support is being requested through Lyft gift cards in the amount of \$25 each to provide to clients for single use transportation arrangements to attend treatment, court, probation appointments, and drug tests while they are enrolled in the PSC. These Lyft cards would be tracked and inventoried and provided to clients that are either experiencing financial difficulty or to those that are just getting established in the program. The team will assist them on achieving transportation security through their program goals of obtaining valid driver's licenses, employment, and/ or benefits so they will not need the additional support of Lyft cards long term.

By removing barriers to accessing treatment, such as transportation issues, clients are more likely to follow through with treatment services to achieve recovery. The monitoring of random and frequent drug testing ensures that those with substance use disorders are maintaining sobriety while working towards long term recovery. The ability to provide Lyft cards to those struggling with transportation would greatly improve compliance with attending the much needed treatment services.

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| CORE STRATEGY: | |
| Use(s): | |

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| Have you applied to other funding sources to implement all, or parts, of this project? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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| Please describe. Include funding source, year, amount, whether the application was successful, and relevant information: |
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WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT

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| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | |
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| TOTAL SALARY | | |

SALARY NARRATIVE:

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| N/A |
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B. **Fringe Benefits**—Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in budget category (A) and for 100% time devoted to the project.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
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| N/A | | |
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| TOTAL FRINGE | | |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

N/A

C. **Travel** -- Itemize travel expenses of project personnel by purpose (e.g., staff to training, field interviews, advisory group meeting, etc.). Indicate source of Travel Policies applied, Applicant or Federal Travel Regulations.

| Purpose of Travel | Location | Item | Computation | Cost |
|---------------------|----------|------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | | | |
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| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

N/A

D. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Lyft Gift Cards (\$25 each)- Year 1 | \$25 x 200 cards | \$5,000 |
| Lyft Gift Cards (\$25 each)- Year 2 | \$25 x 200 cards | \$5,000 |
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| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$10,000 |

SUPPLY NARRATIVE:

The Problem-Solving Courts have approximately 245 participants at any given time enrolled in the treatment court programs. The approximate cost of a Lyft ride from towns within Winnebago County that are outside of the RMT bus route to the Courthouse area is approximately \$20-\$25 per ride. As RMT bus passes will still be utilized for all clients that reside near a bus route it is estimated that the PSC clients would utilize approximately 200 cards in the amount of \$25 per year would serve a total of 100 rides roundtrip for a total cost of \$5,000. The 17th Judicial Circuit is requesting funding for a two year period to support Lyft rides for treatment court participants for a total request of \$10,000 over the course of 2 years.

E. Other Costs

| Item | Computation | Cost |
|--------------------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | |
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| TOTAL OTHER | | |

OTHER COSTS NARRATIVE:

N/A

BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| A. Personnel | \$0 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | \$0 |
| C. Travel | \$0 |
| D. Supplies | \$10,000 |
| E. Other Costs | \$0 |
| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$10,000 |

WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative

A. **Personnel / Salary**— List each position by title and name of employee, if available. Show the annual salary rate and the percentage of time to be devoted to the project. Compensation paid for employees engaged in grant activities must be consistent with that paid for similar work within the applicant organization.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|---------------------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | |
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| TOTAL SALARY | | |

SALARY NARRATIVE:

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| N/A |
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B. **Fringe Benefits**—Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in budget category (A) and for 100% time devoted to the project.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
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| N/A | | |
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| TOTAL FRINGE | | |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

N/A

C. **Travel** -- Itemize travel expenses of project personnel by purpose (e.g., staff to training, field interviews, advisory group meeting, etc.). Indicate source of Travel Policies applied, Applicant or Federal Travel Regulations.

| Purpose of Travel | Location | Item | Computation | Cost |
|---------------------|----------|------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | | | |
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| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

N/A

D. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
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| Lyft Gift Cards (\$25 each)- Year 1 | \$25 x 200 cards | \$5,000 |
| Lyft Gift Cards (\$25 each)- Year 2 | \$25 x 200 cards | \$5,000 |
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| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$10,000 |

SUPPLY NARRATIVE:

The Problem-Solving Courts have approximately 245 participants at any given time enrolled in the treatment court programs. The approximate cost of a Lyft ride from towns within Winnebago County that are outside of the RMT bus route to the Courthouse area is approximately \$20-\$25 per ride. As RMT bus passes will still be utilized for all clients that reside near a bus route it is estimated that the PSC clients would utilize approximately 200 cards in the amount of \$25 per year would serve a total of 100 rides roundtrip for a total cost of \$5,000. The 17th Judicial Circuit is requesting funding for a two year period to support Lyft rides for treatment court participants for a total request of \$10,000 over the course of 2 years.

E. Other Costs

| Item | Computation | Cost |
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| TOTAL OTHER | | |

OTHER COSTS NARRATIVE:

N/A

BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
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| A. Personnel | \$0 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | \$0 |
| C. Travel | \$0 |
| D. Supplies | \$10,000 |
| E. Other Costs | \$0 |
| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$10,000 |



WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PURPOSE

The purpose of this initiative is to leverage opioid settlement funds to build capacity to address opioid-related issues at the County level.

BACKGROUND

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- Fringe
- Travel
- Supplies

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SUB AWARDS

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 - Developing fiscal and data reporting using approved templates.
 - Ensuring sub-recipient fiscal and data reports are complete and accurate prior to submission to County Administration.

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. For a list of core strategies and uses, see attached Exhibit B.

Please describe your proposed project to include evidence of need, as well as a description of proposed use for each Core Strategy. If you propose to address more than one Use in a Core Strategy, please clearly identify each Use within the narrative:

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| CORE STRATEGY: | EXPANSION OF WARM HAND-OFF PROGRAMS AND RECOVERY SERVICES / TREATMENT FOR INCARCERATED POPULATION |
| Uses(s): | SUPPORT PEOPLE IN TREATMENT AND RECOVERY / CONNECT PEOPLE WHO NEED HELP TO THE HELP THEY NEED (CONNECTIONS TO CARE) / ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE-INVOLVED PERSONS / PREVENT OVERDOSE DEATHS AND OTHER HARMS (HARM REDUCTION) |
| <p>The Winnebago County Jail has been working with technical assistance providers for over a year to implement medicated assistance treatment (MAT), an evidence-based therapy for the treatment of opioid use disorder. This expansion is part of a much larger program being funded by the Winnebago County Mental Health Tax (\$1.7 m).</p> <p>The final phase of the MAT project is assistance in transitioning to the community. <i>This request is for one (1) Peer Navigator to support individuals transitioning out of the Winnebago County Jail.</i> The Navigator will participate in online training to become a Certified Peer Recovery Specialist (CPRS). The Navigator will maintain all records in a secure case management system.</p> <p>Because this is a mobile position that involves assisting individuals from jail or court to their treatment provider or meetings, a request was submitted to the Winnebago County Mental Health Board for one SUV to support the project. The SUV will only be used by the Navigator requested through this proposal.</p> | |

The Peer Navigator will play a crucial role in supporting individuals within the jail population who are receiving MAT for substance use disorders. Dependent on capacity, they may also provide these same services to other county criminal justice MAT clients provided they were previously incarcerated in the Winnebago County Jail. The Peer Navigator will support individuals in treatment and recovery in the following ways:

1. **Continuity of Care:** When individuals transition out of jail, continuity of care is crucial. Peer navigators, individuals who have lived experience with addiction and recovery, help facilitate this transition by connecting them with community resources, treatment facilities, support groups, and medical professionals to ensure they continue their MAT and receive ongoing support.
2. **Addressing Barriers to Treatment:** Peer navigators are adept at identifying and addressing barriers to treatment adherence. They assist with issues such as transportation to appointments, access to resources, understanding medication regimens, and addressing misconceptions or concerns about treatment.
3. **Empowerment and Support for Reintegration:** Peer navigators empower individuals by providing guidance on building a sober support network, finding employment opportunities, accessing educational resources, and navigating the challenges of reintegration into society after incarceration.
4. **Enhanced Engagement and Support:** Peer navigators can establish trust and rapport with incarcerated individuals undergoing MAT in ways other cannot. Their shared experiences increases engagement, and provides a relatable support system.
5. **Improved Treatment Adherence:** Peer navigators help individuals understand the importance of adhering to their MAT regimen, ensuring they take their medications as prescribed. This guidance and support can contribute to better treatment outcomes and reduced relapse rates.
6. **Cultural Competence and Understanding:** Peers often have cultural competence and understanding of the unique challenges faced by individuals in the criminal justice system, especially those related to addiction and recovery. This bridges communication gaps and fosters a more effective support system.
7. **Reduced Recidivism:** By providing support and resources that aid in successful reentry into the community, MAT peer navigators contribute to reducing recidivism rates among individuals with substance use disorders.

Integrating a MAT peer navigator within the jail population's treatment framework will significantly improve the quality of care, increase treatment adherence, and facilitate successful reentry into the community, ultimately contributing to better overall outcomes for individuals struggling with substance use disorders. This final phase of implementation is crucial to the success of the MAT program.

Have you applied to other funding sources to implement all, or parts, of this project?

Yes No

Please describe. Include funding source, year, amount, whether the application was successful, and relevant information:

The Winnebago County Mental Health Board funds the 1.7 million dollar mental health program in the jail. The WCCMHB increased our funding in 2023 to include MAT. In 2024, we applied to the WCCMHB for 1 vehicle to support the Navigator program.

This request is for the staff, one Navigator. In 2023 we applied for a Navigator through a one-year BJA grant but were not successful. In following up with BJA it was simply due to having too many applicants.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative

Personnel / Salary– List each position by title and name of employee, if available. Show the annual salary rate and the percentage of time to be devoted to the project. Compensation paid for employees engaged in grant activities must be consistent with that paid for similar work within the applicant organization.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| TBD / Peer Navigator | 50000 (annual salary) x 2 (years) | 100,000 |
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| TOTAL SALARY | | \$100,000 |

SALARY NARRATIVE:

The Peer Navigator will assist individuals participating in MAT programming, primarily in the Winnebago County Jail but may include other county criminal justice department MAT clients. Navigator will provide coordinated case management including transportation to MAT related treatment, meetings, court appointments, and other services relevant to their recovery and well-being.

50,000 (annual salary) x 2 (years) = \$100,000.00

A. Fringe Benefits—Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in budget category (A) and for 100% time devoted to the project.

| Name/Position | Computation | Cost |
|----------------------|--|-----------------|
| TBD / Peer Navigator | 7,650 (FICA @ 7.65%) + 1,700 (Retirement @ 1.7%) + 27,851 (Health Year 1) + 27,851 (Health Year 2) + 45.50 (Life Year 1) + 45.50 (Life Year 2) | 65,143 |
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| TOTAL FRINGE | | \$65,143 |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

Navigator Fringe: 7,650 (FICA @ 7.65%) + 1,700 (Retirement @ 1.7%) + 27,851 (Health Year 1) + 27,851 (Health Year 2) + 45.50 (Life Year 1) + 45.50 (Life Year 2) = \$65,143 Fringe, years 1 & 2

B. Travel -- Itemize travel expenses of project personnel by purpose (e.g., staff to training, field interviews, advisory group meeting, etc.). Indicate source of Travel Policies applied, Applicant or Federal Travel Regulations.

| Purpose of Travel | Location | Item | Computation | Cost |
|--|----------|---------|--|----------------|
| Client Transportation to opioid-related appts. | Local | Mileage | 75 (miles) x 0.67 (rate) x 104 (weeks) | 5,226 |
| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | \$5,226 |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

Funding for transportation is crucial as the navigator is responsible for transporting clients to treatment appointments, local service providers, court appointments (related to opioid use disorder), and to support group meetings.

75 (miles) x 0.67 (rate) x 104 (weeks) = \$5,226 (2 years)

C. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
|---|--------------------------------------|------|
| General Office: paper, pens, waste basket, stapler, business cards, printing. | 24 (mos) x 10 (cost/mo) | 240 |
| Laptop | 1800 (one-time purchase) x 1 (units) | 1800 |
| Mouse, laptop accessories | 75 (one-time purchase) x 1 (units) | 75 |
| Adobe | 250 (annual) x 2 (years) x 1 (units) | 500 |
| Microsoft | 325 (one-time cost) x 1 (units) | 325 |
| Case Management Licenses | \$60 (mo) x 2 (Staff) x 24 (mo) | 2880 |

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| Custom Reports / Set up | 1000 (one time cost) | 1000 |
| Training | 2500 (one-time cost) x 1 (staff) | 2500 |
| Cell Phone Service | \$75 (mo) x 1 (Staff) x 24 (mo) | 1800 |
| Cell Phone | \$600 (one-time cost) x 1 (units) | 600 |
| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$11,720 |

SUPPLY NARRATIVE:

- **General Office:** paper, pens, waste basket, stapler, business cards, printing, etc. 24 (mos) x 10 (cost/mo) = \$240.00
 - **Laptop:** to manage program on and off-site. 1800 (one time purchase x 1 (unit) = \$1800.00
 - **Mouse, keyboard:** for Compliance Specialists to manage program on and off-site. 75 (one time hase) x 1 (unit) = \$75.00
 - **Software:** Equal to or greater than Adobe. 250 (annual cost) x 2 (years) x 1 (staff) = \$500.00
 - **Software:** Equal to or greater than Microsoft. 325 (one time cost) x 1 (unit) = \$325.00
 - **Case Management License:** 2 staff will utilize case management software to track all clients static information as well as develop goal plans and create reports to ensure compliance with program. \$60 (mo cost) x 2 (Staff) x 24 (mo) = 2,880 (One staff is supervision)
 - **Custom Reports:** needed for new case mgmt system set up 1000 (one time cost) x 1 (unit) = 1000.00
 - **Training:** for staff to become Certified Peer Recovery Specialists 2500 (one-time cost) x 1 (staff) = \$2500.00
 - **Cell Phone Service:** for Navigator mobil operations 75 (cost) x 24 (mo) = \$1,800.00
 - **Cell Phones:** for Navigator mobil operations 600 (cost) x 1 (unit) = \$600.00
- 240 + 1800 + 75 + 500 + 325 + 2880 + 1000 + 2500 + 1800 + 600 = \$11,720.00**

D. Other Costs

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OTHER COSTS NARRATIVE:

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BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
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| A. Personnel | 100,000 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | 65,143 |
| C. Travel | 5,226.00 |
| D. Supplies | 11,720 |
| E. Other Costs | |
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| CORE STRATEGY: | MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT (“MAT”) DISTRIBUTION AND OTHER OPIOID-RELATED TREATMENT |
| Uses(s): | Increase distribution of MAT to individuals who are uninsured, whose insurance does not cover the needed service; and individuals with limited access based on geography and/or lack of providers to prescribe MAT. |

Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) affects millions of Americans, estimates place 6.7 – 7.6 million adults afflicted by this disorder. Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) (Note: formerly referred to as MAT) is first line treatment for OUD and includes methadone, buprenorphine, buprenorphine/naloxone, and naltrexone. These medications, in combination with behavioral therapies, aid in successfully ending opioid use by addressing physical difficulties such as withdrawal symptoms. Historically, psychiatrists were trained to care for patients with OUD. It is estimated that by 2025, the general demand for psychiatrists will surpass the supply by up to 15,000 clinicians. OUD cannot be managed by psychiatrist care alone. There is abundant evidence that treatment with MAR reduces opioid use, increases quality of life and the likelihood people remain in treatment, and reduces relapse and overdose mortality. However, MAR is often unavailable to those in need due to barriers including a lack of prescribing providers and cost.

[IDPH data](#) places 2022 Illinois opioid overdose (OD) deaths at 3,261 with an additional 15,286 non-fatal ODs. EMS is strained with 20,000 responses to opioid ODs in 2022. In 2022, Winnebago County saw 340 ED visits and 167 opioid deaths. Given Winnebago County's population in this age group being 240,088, there are likely over 8000 residents at risk for OUD. With 20% enrollment, initial estimates put the project's impact at up to 133 residents enrolled per month.

MAR is first line treatment for OUD and should be offered to all patients. There continues to be a need to reduce access barriers, especially in rural areas of the county and underrepresented groups. The use of telehealth can be effective in providing MAR to those who cannot travel to clinic or have other barriers impeding access to care.

According to [SAMHSA](#), evidence for MAR in combination with counseling and behavioral therapy improved patient survival, retention in treatment, and the ability to gain and maintain employment while decreasing illicit opioid use and criminal activity. The Utah Opioid Community Collaborative is a specific example of success in an interprofessional model working with a population similar to Winnebago County.

Results from use of telehealth in delivering MAR is also positive. Brown University reported an overall satisfaction rate of 92.3% with telephone counseling in a MAR therapy program from patients and counselors. The majority of individuals (70.9%) reported that telehealth helped the same with OUD as in-person visits while 16.4% said it helped more.

UIC College of Pharmacy and the Winnebago County Health Department will team up to implement an interprofessional telehealth MAR program for county residents. Individuals can solicit care directly or via provider referral. Physician-led protocols will be developed allowing clinical pharmacists to drive the medication integration. Community health workers (CHWs) will coordinate necessary social services including behavioral health, housing, and employment resources, rounding out the care team.

Patients will schedule telehealth visits to determine a comprehensive OUD treatment plan. When patients meet protocol criteria, the pharmacist will initiate MAR therapy following the approved physician protocol. CHWs will identify and implement additional social services including behavioral health, housing, and other needs. Clinical pharmacists will conduct patient visits weekly to monitor and adjust MAR while CHWs schedule appropriate follow up

based on patient needs. Those who do not meet protocol criteria will be contacted by the physician team member for assessment and treatment. The telehealth team will communicate medication and social service plan to the patient’s primary care physician quarterly.

Despite the evidence of the efficacy of MAR, there is a significant gap in care for providing MAR for patients with OUD, with less than 13% receiving these life-saving medications. Many barriers prevent patients from accessing treatment. Patients often have difficulty locating prescribing clinicians and frequently face transportation barriers. Within Winnebago County, the overwhelming majority of physicians providing MAR are in and around the City of Rockford; according to the State of Illinois Opioid Dashboard there are no MAR providers in rural Winnebago County. The current providers in the Rockford area are not able to provide coverage for all those affected with OUD. Additionally, uninsured patients may be unable to afford prescriptions or locate treatment programs that will accept patients without insurance. For patients experiencing homelessness, these barriers are exacerbated. The COVID-19 pandemic heightened these access challenges while also leading to increased isolation and disruption in behavioral health supports. Until recently, federal law required training for providers before they were allowed to prescribe MAR, creating another barrier to care. This federal requirement was recently eliminated thus allowing prescribers to incorporate MAR therapy into their practice. Unfortunately, many physicians are still unaware of this lifted restriction or are resistant to offering MAR therapy in their practice which is concerning, especially in the rural areas of the county.

Health equity is an important goal for the community. Black and African American individuals have the highest rate of drug overdose and death in our community. Impact will be monitored to assess the projects effect in marginalized communities.

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| CORE STRATEGY: | EXPANDED SYRINGE SERVICE PROGRAMS |
| Use(s): | Provide comprehensive syringe services programs with more wrap-around services, including linkage to OUD treatment, access to sterile syringes and linkage to care and treatment of infectious diseases. |

WCHD is committed to reducing the incidence of overdose deaths, infectious disease, and other harms associated with substance use disorders through the WINNIE Harm Reduction Program. Harm Reduction Services are part of the continuum of care to address substance use disorders including OUD. Services currently provided by WCHD include:

- Providing education, counseling, and referral to treatment for substance use disorders.
- Training and distribution of naloxone and testing kits.
- Reducing the transmission of infectious diseases including sexually transmitted infections (STI's), HIV, viral hepatitis through screening, treatment, education regarding safer sex practices, and the distribution of condoms.
- Providing pre-exposure prophylaxis against HIV (PrEP).
- Vaccinating against vaccine preventable diseases including Hepatitis.

The WINNIE Harm Reduction Program will be expanded to include Syringe Service Programming (SSP) for Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID).

According to the CDC, test strips to detect drug adulterants are a harm reduction strategy. Testing strips are a low-cost method of helping prevent drug overdoses and reducing harm. These testing strips can detect the presence of harmful substances (fentanyl, xylazine, and benzodiazepine) in all kinds of street drugs. Test strips are a useful engagement tool to foster discussion with individuals who use drugs around practicing universal precautions and anticipating the presence of harmful substances in their drug supply. In addition, the results from using testing strips provide individuals who use drugs and communities with important information on the harmful substances in the street drug supply so they can take steps to reduce the risk of overdose.

Expansion of the "WINNIE" Program with the Justice System, including Drug/Mental Health Courts and Adult Probation, will provide the opportunity for the community to access testing kits for safer substance use and harm reduction. In addition to the testing kits, the community will also receive education/training on how to use the supplies in the kits, where to access more kits and naloxone. Testing kits include testing strips for harmful substances (fentanyl, xylazine, and benzodiazepine), sterile water, cup, mixing tool, and instructions.

WINNIE Staff will be providing testing kits at various times and locations, including the Winnebago County Courthouse, and throughout the County for individuals to access. Entities interested in hosting a testing kit distribution opportunities can contact WCHD to schedule harm reduction services at their site as a one-time or ongoing service.

The kit distribution will be part of a pathway program that will include a Syringe Services Program (SSP). Syringe services programs (SSPs) are community-based prevention programs that can provide a range of services, including linkage to substance use disorder treatment;

access to and disposal of sterile syringes and injection equipment; and vaccination, testing, and linkage to care and treatment for infectious diseases.

According to the CDC, :

- *Nearly 30 years of research shows that comprehensive SSPs are safe, effective, and cost-saving, do not increase illegal drug use or crime, and play an important role in reducing the transmission of viral hepatitis, HIV and other infections.*
- *SSPs protect the public and first responders by facilitating the safe disposal of used needles and syringes. Providing testing, counseling, and sterile injection supplies also helps prevent outbreaks of other infectious diseases.*

SSPs save lives, help those experiencing a substance use disorder get the support needed to regain a healthy life, while reducing the impact of drug use on the community. Through SSPs, both overdoses and transmission of infectious disease including HIV can be prevented through engagement of community Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID).

(<https://www.cdc.gov/ssp/index.html>)

WCHD will provide a comprehensive continuum of services including primary and secondary prevention strategies through the WINNIE program. To provide effective harm reduction and increase services and supplies, WCHD will develop and implement a Syringe Services Program (SSP) with core and expanded services for (PWID) within Winnebago County which will provide evidence-based approaches and tools needed to enhance the health and wellbeing of PWID.

The WINNIE sites will be staffed and operational for local access to comprehensive services including safe and clean injection tools needed to prevent drug overdose and HIV/HCV disease infections for PWID. In addition to providing safe injection sets, the SSP will provide education on HIV/HCV, STI, vaccinations, and Naloxone training/distribution/referrals to treatment providers including Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) Individuals who choose to engage in MAR will be assessed for access including the proposed telehealth approach through WCHD.

As a primary prevention strategy, the WINNIE program and the SSP will provide medication lock boxes to community members to reduce the risk of drug diversion.

The Communities of Concern Workgroup (COC) convened by WCHD will continue to build and maintain a network of Influencers within the COC populations to assist in the implementation of strategies. This will ensure marginalized and/or highly stigmatized populations (COC i.e. people of color, women, transgender persons) have access to these services.

The WINNIE Program will establish at least one Harm Reduction Subcommittee (HRS) which will include members of the target populations and will aid with advocacy, planning and advising SSP programming. The HRS will develop a strategic plan for ongoing quality improvement on SSP performance and sustainability. Through the SPP, WCHD will increase communications and outreach to residents to provide information about substance use disorder (SUD); trauma informed care, access to care for SUD; organizations and referral sources available for comprehensive health and wellbeing services; how to identify and respond to potential drug overdoses and understanding State of Illinois Good Samaritan Laws. One series of branded communication materials will be developed and provided to local organizations who provide services for the COC population including: Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID)/People Who Use Drugs (PWUD), HIV/Hepatitis C (HCV) patients, racial and/or ethnic minorities, people living in rural areas, the LGBTQ+ community, sex trafficked and homeless individuals to raise awareness about SSP services. The annual communication plan will include monthly electronic messages, monthly flyer distribution, HRS outreach/word of mouth advertisement, and collaborative partner organizations who will assist in referrals to the SSP and actively recruit and engage participants. Close attention will be given to ensure marginalized and/or highly stigmatized populations (COC i.e. people of color, women, transgender persons) are being reached.

Qualitative and quantitative data will be useful to identify gaps in service provision, improving program services and developing goals and objectives. WCHD will continue to work with the WC Coroner's office the Opioid Response Team to access current and accurate data. Additional data will also be gathered from IDPH's Opioid Surveillance Grant.

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| CORE STRATEGY: | NALOXONE OR OTHER FDA-APPROVED DRUG TO REVERSE OPIOID OVERDOSES |
| Use(s): | Increase distribution to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover the needed service. |

WCHD provides a Drug Overdose Prevention Program (DOPP) that addresses the goal of reducing the number of opioid-related deaths by implementing strategies designed to prevent them. Three full time Drug Overdose Prevention Specialist provide overdose education and Naloxone distribution in the community. The DOPP Specialist develop and implement a county wide Drug Overdose Rapid Deployment Program for heroin and other opiate abuse which includes coordinating with WCHD and local overdose prevention partners to implement a naloxone rapid deployment plan within Winnebago County when opioid overdose death spikes occur. They prepare and provide educational materials about naloxone, how to recognize a drug overdose, how to use naloxone, and emergency help numbers for treatment of opioid use disorders for the deployment team. The DOPP Specialists also partner with community members to reduce stigma associated with opioid overdose and bring awareness to opioid use.

As part of this program, two vending machines stocked with free naloxone were installed at the Public Safety Building and the County Courthouse. Additionally, 63 other locations received “red boxes”, free-standing naloxone distribution cabinets stocked with free naloxone. Increasing the number of vending machines and red boxes throughout the county, including at Winnebago County Health Department, will improve access to the life-saving tools needed to decrease overdose related deaths. WCHD has identified Communities of Concern (COC) which have the highest social vulnerability index and have been disproportionately impacted by health disparities and inequity. The COC includes ZIP Codes 61104, 61103, 61101. These ZIP Codes also reflect the highest drug overdose calls to Rockford Fire Department, the highest drug overdose visits to the emergency department, and the areas with the highest drug overdose deaths (Coroner’s Report). For equity purposes and for to achieve the most impact, locations in the identified ZIP codes would be targeted for additional red box placement.

Have you applied to other funding sources to implement all, or parts, of this project?

Please describe. Include funding source, year, amount, whether the application was successful, and relevant information:

The Drug Overdose Prevention Program (DOPP) is currently funded by an Illinois State Opioid Response Grant funded by Illinois Department of Human Services – Division of Substance use Prevention and Recovery in the amount of \$404,958.

WCHD and UIC College of Pharmacy have submitted a grant proposal to the Winnebago County Mental Health Board for 2024-2027 in the amount of \$6,747,320.14. A funding decision has not yet been made.

WCHD submitted a grant proposal for the expansion of the WINNIE program to the Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board for years 2024-2027 in the amount of \$202,000. A funding decision has not yet been made.

WCHD applied for “Implementing Overdose Prevention Strategies at the Local Level” IPPSLL funding from NACCHO in the amount of \$244,013.70 in 2022 to provide a syringe program but it was not funded.

To support this proposal, WCHD will bill third party insurers for any covered services.

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| TOTAL FRINGE | \$136,772.50 |
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FRINGE NARRATIVE:

WCHD has a comprehensive benefit package mandated by Winnebago County designed to attract and retain the most qualified and credentialed workforce. Based on the salaries levels for the grant personnel the fringe benefit rate would be 28.75% for each wage dollar earned. 18% for health insurance, 3% for the IMRF retirement fund contribution, .1% for group life insurance and 7.76% for FICA. The health Insurance rate is based upon the estimated salary levels and the historical mix of employee selections among which could be family plans, single plans, high deductible or to opt out completely. The wage base is \$232,063.62 for year one of the proposal and \$243,666.80 of year 2 of the proposal resulting in total fringe benefit expenses of \$136,772.50 See exhibit B attached.

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| Purpose of Travel | Location | Item | Computation | Cost |
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| See Exhibit C | | | | |
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| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | \$14,475.60 |

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D. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
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| See Exhibit D | | |
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| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$148,091.26 |

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Other supplies include signage, palm cards, and table covers to promote the program

E. Other Costs

| Item | Computation | Cost |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Contractual costs | UIC MAT/MAR partnership | \$4,388,830.86 |
| Occupancy costs | Per square foot per month | \$ 12,154.50 |
| Training & education | | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Indirect Costs | MTCO Method De Minimis Rate | \$ 83,506.98 |
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BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
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| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$5,269,562.12 |

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| TOTAL FRINGE | \$136,772.50 |
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FRINGE NARRATIVE:

WCHD has a comprehensive benefit package mandated by Winnebago County designed to attract and retain the most qualified and credentialed workforce. Based on the salaries levels for the grant personnel the fringe benefit rate would be 28.75% for each wage dollar earned. 18% for health insurance, 3% for the IMRF retirement fund contribution, .1% for group life insurance and 7.76% for FICA. The health Insurance rate is based upon the estimated salary levels and the historical mix of employee selections among which could be family plans, single plans, high deductible or to opt out completely. The wage base is \$232,063.62 for year one of the proposal and \$243,666.80 of year 2 of the proposal resulting in total fringe benefit expenses of \$136,772.50 See exhibit B attached.

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Exhibit A Personnel/Salary

| Name | Position | Computation | | | | Cost | Cost | Cost |
|---|--|----------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | Salary or Wage | Basis (Yr./M o./Hr.) | % of Time | Length of time | | | |
| Abbie Anderson - Epidemiologist | <i>Epidemiologist</i> | \$ 35.75 | hr | 10% | 2080 | \$ 7,436 | \$ 7,807.80 | \$ 15,244 |
| Neva - Health Communication Specialist | <i>Health Communication Specialist</i> | \$ 32.02 | hr | 10% | 2080 | \$ 6,660 | \$ 6,993.17 | \$ 13,653 |
| Patrick - Director of Data and Quality | <i>Director of Data & Quality</i> | \$ 44.86 | hr | 10% | 2080 | \$ 9,331 | \$ 9,797.42 | \$ 19,128 |
| Katie - Director of Communications and | <i>PIO Officer</i> | \$ 53.21 | hr | 5% | 2080 | \$ 5,534 | \$ 5,810.53 | \$ 11,344 |
| Todd - Director of Health Protection | <i>Director of Health Protection</i> | \$ 52.03 | hr | 5% | 2080 | \$ 5,411 | \$ 5,681.68 | \$ 11,093 |
| Adrienne - Community Health Improvement | <i>Coordinator Community Health In</i> | \$ 31.68 | hr | 10% | 2080 | \$ 6,589 | \$ 6,918.91 | \$ 13,508 |
| New Position (Level 14) | <i>Drug Prevention Specialist</i> | \$ 27.46 | hr | 100% | 2080 | \$ 57,112 | \$ 59,967.18 | \$ 117,079 |
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| Corey Lersch (Supervisor) | <i>Supervisor</i> | \$ 31.68 | hr | 30% | 2080 | \$ 19,767 | \$ 20,755.75 | \$ 40,523 |
| | | | | | | \$ - | | |
| State Total | | | | | | \$ 232,063.62 | \$ 243,666.81 | \$ 475,730.43 |

Exhibit B Fringe Benefits

| Name | Position | Computation | | Cost Year 1 | Cost Year 2 | Total Costs |
|------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | | Base | Rate | | | |
| | | | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Health Insurance | All staff | \$ 232,063.62 | 18.00% | \$ 41,771.45 | \$ 43,860.02 | \$ 85,631.48 |
| Retirement Plan | All staff | \$ 232,063.62 | 3.00% | \$ 6,961.91 | \$ 7,310.00 | \$ 14,271.91 |
| Life Insurance | All staff | \$ 232,063.62 | 0.10% | \$ 232.06 | \$ 243.67 | \$ 475.73 |
| FICA | All staff | \$ 232,063.62 | 7.65% | \$ 17,752.87 | \$ 18,640.51 | \$ 36,393.38 |
| | | | State Total | \$ 66,718.29 | \$ 70,054.21 | \$ 136,772.50 |
| | | | 28.75% | | | |

Exhibit C Travel

| Purpose of Travel | Location | Computation | | | | | Cost |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|--------------|
| | | Items | Cost Rate | Basis | Quantity | # of Trips | |
| County grant deliverables | Local Travel Year 1 | 12 | 0.67 | per mile | 900.22 | 1 | \$ 7,237.80 |
| County grant deliverables | Local Travel Year 2 | 12 | 0.67 | per mile | 900.22 | 1 | \$ 7,237.80 |
| | | | | | | | \$ 14,475.60 |

Exhibit D Supplies

| Supply Items | Computation | | Total Cost | Total Cost | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | Quantity/ Duration | Cost | Year 1 | Year 2 | Total Cost |
| Basic Safe Sex Kits | 650 | \$ 3.85 | \$ 1,250.00 | \$ 1,250.00 | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Sharps Disposal Containers | 650 | \$ 18.46 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 6,000.00 | \$ 12,000.00 |
| SurfacePros and Monitors | 3 | \$ 2,800.00 | \$ 8,400.00 | | \$ 8,400.00 |
| Office Supplies | 24 | \$ 85.00 | \$ 1,020.00 | \$ 1,020.00 | \$ 2,040.00 |
| Cell Phones | 24 | \$ 108.00 | \$ 1,296.00 | \$ 1,296.00 | \$ 2,592.00 |
| Telephone | 24 | \$ 82.80 | \$ 933.60 | \$ 933.60 | \$ 1,867.20 |
| Office Supplies | 24 | \$ 156.33 | \$ 1,876.00 | \$ 1,876.00 | \$ 3,752.00 |
| Fetanyl Test Strips | 230 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 5,175.00 | \$ 5,175.00 | \$ 10,350.00 |
| Xylazine Test Strips | 230 | \$ 135.00 | \$ 15,525.00 | \$ 15,525.00 | \$ 31,050.00 |
| Benzodiazepine Test Strips | 230 | \$ 75.00 | \$ 8,625.00 | \$ 8,625.00 | \$ 17,250.00 |
| Sterile Water Vial 5 mL (100ct) | 230 | \$ 16.49 | \$ 1,896.35 | \$ 1,896.35 | \$ 3,792.70 |
| Static Free scoop 6mg-10mg - 25ct | 916 | \$ 5.75 | \$ 2,633.50 | \$ 2,633.50 | \$ 5,267.00 |
| 2 ounce cups - Package of 250ct | 92 | \$ 9.58 | \$ 440.68 | \$ 440.68 | \$ 881.36 |
| Paper Bags- Package of 500ct | 10 | \$ 18.50 | \$ 92.50 | \$ 92.50 | \$ 185.00 |
| WINNIE Palm Cards | 40 | \$ 151.50 | \$ 3,030.00 | \$ 3,030.00 | \$ 6,060.00 |
| Testing Instructions Post Cards | 10 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Pop-up Signage | 1 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ - | \$ 500.00 |
| 8 Ft Table Cloth | 1 | \$ 300.00 | \$ 300.00 | \$ - | \$ 300.00 |
| Medicines | 2 | \$ 19,152.00 | \$ 19,152.00 | \$ 19,152.00 | \$ 38,304.00 |
| State Total | | | \$ 78,645.63 | \$ 69,445.63 | \$ 148,091.26 |

FY25 Budget Update

Closed Session
To Discuss
Pending
Litigation



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Tanya Harris

Committee: Finance Committee

Committee Date: June 20, 2024

Resolution Title: Resolution authorizing settlement of a claim against the County of Winnebago entitled Gina Tarara versus Winnebago County

Board Meeting Date: June 27, 2024

Budget Information:

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| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: \$25,248.73 |
| If not, explain funding source: | Budget Impact: \$25,248.73 |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: 49400-43535 | Tort Judgement Fund/Worker's Comp Claims |

Background Information: Settlement for Gina Tarara in the amount of \$25,248.73.

Recommendation: The Finance Committee, chaired by John Butitta, has reviewed the settlements presented to the Board. The Board is asked to approve this settlement in favor of the Committee's recommendations at its June 27, 2024 meeting.

Contract/Agreement:

Legal Review: Carol Hartline with Williams McCarthy LLP negotiated this settlement on behalf of Winnebago County.

Follow-Up: N/A

RESOLUTION
of the

COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

Sponsored by: John Butitta

Submitted by: Finance Committee

2024 CR

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM
AGAINST THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO ENTITLED
GINA TARARA VERSUS WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the County of Winnebago, Illinois, is involved in having a claim asserted against it by Gina Tarara for injuries allegedly sustained while in the employment of the State's Attorney Department, and,

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has offered to settle the above claims against the County of Winnebago for consideration payable in the amount of \$25,248.73 for the settlement funding for his Workers Compensation case; and,

WHEREAS, counsel for the County of Winnebago recommends that it is in the best interest of the County of Winnebago to settle the above referenced claims upon the terms of the proposed settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that it does hereby authorize settlement of the claim entitled Gina Tarara versus County of Winnebago for injuries allegedly sustained by Gina Tarara while in the employment of the State's Attorney Department by payment of the amount of \$25,248.73 for the settlement for permanent disability for a Workers Compensation case.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution for Gina Tarara in the amount of \$25,248.73 shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Board is hereby authorized to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the County Auditor, Director of Purchasing, Human Resources Director, and Williams & McCarthy.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGREE

DISAGREE

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The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of

Winnebago, Illinois this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTESTED BY:

LORI GUMMOW
CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

JOSEPH CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
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Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Tanya Harris

Committee: Finance Committee

Committee Date: June 20, 2024

Resolution Title: Resolution authorizing settlement of a claim against the County of Winnebago entitled Ann Johns versus Winnebago County

Board Meeting Date: N/A

Budget Information:

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| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: \$24,373.57 |
| If not, explain funding source: | Budget Impact: \$24,373.57 |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: 49400-43535 | Tort Judgement Fund/Worker's Comp Claims |

Background Information: Settlement for Ann Johns in the amount of \$24,373.57.

Recommendation: The Finance Committee, chaired by John Butitta, has reviewed this settlement.

Contract/Agreement:

Legal Review: Carol Hartline with Williams McCarthy LLP negotiated this settlement on behalf of Winnebago County.

Follow-Up: N/A

RESOLUTION
of the

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Sponsored by: John Butitta

Submitted by: Finance Committee

2024 CR

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM
AGAINST THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO ENTITLED
ANN JOHNS VERSUS WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the County of Winnebago, Illinois, is involved in having a claim asserted against it by Ann Johns for injuries allegedly sustained while in the employment of the Purchasing Department, and,

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has offered to settle the above claims against the County of Winnebago for consideration payable in the amount of \$24,373.57 for the settlement funding for his Workers Compensation case; and,

WHEREAS, counsel for the County of Winnebago recommends that it is in the best interest of the County of Winnebago to settle the above referenced claims upon the terms of the proposed settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that it does hereby authorize settlement of the claim entitled Ann Johns versus County of Winnebago for injuries allegedly sustained by Ann Johns while in the employment of the Purchasing Department by payment of the amount of \$24,373.57 for the settlement for permanent disability for a Workers Compensation case.

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