

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

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

DATE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 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 July 18, 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. Resolution for Approval of Distribution of Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds to the Winnebago County Coroner's Office
- F. Resolution for Approval of Distribution of Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds to the Winnebago County Health Department
- G. Resolution for Approval of Distribution of Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office
- H. Resolution for Approval of Distribution of Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds to the 17th Judicial Circuit Court
- I. FY25 Budget Update
- J. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation
- K. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against the County of Winnebago Entitled Thomas Truitt Versus Winnebago County
- L. Other Matters
- M. Adjournment

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

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Immediately following the Operations & Administrative Committee Meeting

Present:

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

Others Present:

Patrick Thompson, County Administrator
Steve Schultz, Chief Financial Officer
Lafakeria Vaughn, Civil Bureau Chief, State's Attorney's Office
John Giliberti, State's Attorney Office
Charlotte Hoss, State's Attorney Office

Absent:

Joe Hoffman

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of June 20, 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 acknowledgment by the Chairman, please stand and state your name. Thank you.
- E. Resolution Authorizing an Increase in the Salary of the Winnebago County Public Defender
- F. Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for Winnebago County Health Department
- G. Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chairman to Execute a Release of Lien
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- I. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation
- J. Resolution Authorizing the County of Winnebago, Illinois's Participation in the Kroger Opioid Settlement
- K. Other Matters
- L. Adjournment

Call to Order

Chairperson Butitta called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM.

Roll Call

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

Approval of June 20, 2024 Minutes

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Thompson.

Chairperson Butitta called for any discussion.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

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

Resolution Authorizing an Increase in the Salary of the Winnebago County Public Defender

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Ms. Crosby.

- Discussion followed.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Ordinance for a Budget Amendment for Winnebago County Health Department

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Ms. Crosby.

- Discussion followed.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chairman to Execute a Release of Lien

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Thompson.

- Discussion followed.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FY25 Budget Update

A Budget update for FY25 was shared with committee members.

Chairperson Butitta called for any discussion.

- Discussion followed.

Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to enter a Closed Session.

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

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Roll Call

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

Chairperson Butitta – No action was taken in the Closed Session.

Resolution Authorizing the County of Winnebago, Illinois's Participation in the Kroger Opioid Settlement

Motion: Chairperson Butitta. Second: Mr. Salgado.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Other Matters

- None reported.

Adjournment

Chairperson Butitta called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Chairperson Sweeney. Second: Mr. Salgado.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile

Executive Assistant



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Marlana Dokken
Committee: Finance Committee
Committee Date: August 1, 2024
Resolution Title: RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE
County Code: n/a
Board Meeting Date: August 8, 2024

Budget Information:

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| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: n/a |
| If not, explain funding source: Opioid Lawsuit Settlement | |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: | Budget Impact: None |

Background Information: Nationwide settlements have been reached to resolve Opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against distributors. The ensuing lawsuit resulted in settlements for Winnebago County, of which a portion shall be distributed to the Coroner's Office pursuant to its submitted proposal.

Recommendation: Approve the attached proposal.

Contract/Agreement: The funding award is available for review.

Legal Review: n/a

Follow-Up: n/a

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS**

2024 CR _____

SUBMITTED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

SPONSORED BY: JOHN BUTITTA

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS
TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2023, the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois adopted a Resolution establishing the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, as settlements are reached to resolve opioid litigation and funding is allocated to the State of Illinois and local governments, including Winnebago County, Illinois, the County desires to allocate Opioid settlement funding to approved Winnebago County departments per the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois has reviewed the attached proposal and after having conferred with County Administration, recommends its approval by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that the Winnebago County Coroner's Office Opioid Settlement proposal is hereby approved, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution 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 Board Chairman, the Finance Department, Winnebago County Coroner, and the Chairman's Office of Criminal Justice Initiatives.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGREE

DISAGREE

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

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JAIME SALGADO, VICE CHAIRMAN

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JEAN CROSBY

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KEITH McDONALD

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JOHN F. SWEENEY

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

MICHAEL THOMPSON

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of
Winnebago, Illinois this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTESTED BY:

JOSEPH V. 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



WINNEBAGO COUNTY CORONER
WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT
REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. 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.

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 |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 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 |



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Marlana Dokken
Committee: Finance Committee
Committee Date: August 1, 2024
Resolution Title: RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
County Code: n/a
Board Meeting Date: August 8, 2024

Budget Information:

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| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: n/a |
| If not, explain funding source: Opioid Lawsuit Settlement | |
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Recommendation: Approve the attached proposal.

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Legal Review: n/a

Follow-Up: n/a

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
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2024 CR _____

SUBMITTED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

SPONSORED BY: JOHN BUTITTA

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS
TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2023, the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois adopted a Resolution establishing the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, as settlements are reached to resolve opioid litigation and funding is allocated to the State of Illinois and local governments, including Winnebago County, Illinois, the County desires to allocate Opioid settlement funding to approved Winnebago County departments per the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois has reviewed the attached proposal and after having conferred with County Administration, recommends its approval by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that the Winnebago County Health Department Opioid Settlement proposal is hereby approved, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution 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 Board Chairman, the Finance Department, Winnebago County Health Department, and the Chairman's Office of Criminal Justice Initiatives.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGREE

DISAGREE

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

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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 V. CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS



WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT
REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. 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: | MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT (“MAT”) DISTRIBUTION AND OTHER OPIOID-RELATED TREATMENT |
| Uses(s): | Increase distribution of MAT (MAR) to individuals who are uninsured or whose insurance does not cover the needed service focused in rural and access challenged communities in Winnebago, County; |
| <p>Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) affects millions of Americans with estimates placing 6.7 – 7.6 million adults afflicted by this disorder. IDPH data for 2022 shows Illinois opioid overdose (OD) deaths at 3,261 with an additional 15,286 non-fatal ODs. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is strained with 20,000 responses to opioid ODs in 2022. In 2022, Winnebago County saw 340 Emergency Department visits and 167 opioid deaths.</p> <p>Historically, psychiatrists were trained to care for patients’ recovery 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.</p> <p>Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) 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. 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.</p> <p>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</p> | |

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.

To reduce access barriers, especially in rural areas of the county and underrepresented groups, the Winnebago County Health Department will partner with the UIC College of Pharmacy to implement an interprofessional telehealth MAR program for rural Winnebago 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. Harm Reduction staff 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. Harm Reduction Staff 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 Harm Reduction staff 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.

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.

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, so services will be provided with an equity lens. 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 wrap-around services, including linkage to OUD treatment (MAT/MAR), access to and disposal of sterile syringes and injection equipment, vaccination, testing, and linkage to care and treatment of infectious diseases. |
| <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing education, counseling, and referral to treatment for substance use disorders. • Training and distribution of naloxone and testing kits for drug adulterants such as fentanyl, xylazine, and benzodiazepines. • Reducing the transmission of infectious diseases including sexually transmitted infections (STI's), HIV, viral hepatitis through screening/testing, 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. • Access and education regarding the use of gun locks. <p>The WINNIE Harm Reduction Program will be expanded to include Syringe Service Programming (SSP) for Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID) with access to and disposal of sterile syringes and injection equipment.</p> <p>According to the CDC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>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.</i> • <i>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.</i> <p>SSPs save lives and 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)</p> <p>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 harm reduction strategies. This will ensure marginalized and/or highly</p> | |

stigmatized populations (COC i.e. people of color, women, transgender persons) in rural communities have access to these services.

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. |
| The WINNIE Program provides education and training to participants on the use of naloxone to prevent overdose deaths as part of its Harm Reduction strategies. This will expand into the rural and underserved communities in Winnebago County. This effort will align with the WCHD Drug Overdose Prevention Program to provide rescue effort training throughout Winnebago County. | |

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

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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.

WCHD and UIC College of Pharmacy submitted a grant proposal to the Winnebago County Mental Health Board for 2024-2027 in the amount of \$6,747,320.14 that was not funded.

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.

Currently, WCHD is applying for funds from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance to provide a Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-Based Program.

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 |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| TBD/Harm Reduction Specialist | (2080 hr. X \$25.27) x 2 years | \$105,123 |
| Corey Lersch/ Sup Health Protection | (\$31.68 X 104 hours) + (\$31.68 x 104 hours) | \$6,590 |
| TOTAL SALARY | | \$111,714 |

SALARY NARRATIVE:

Corey Lersch, Health Protection Supervisor, will support a qualified candidate, Harm Reduction Specialist, in the delivery of harm reduction services which include: providing education, counseling, and referral to treatment for substance use disorders; training and distribution of naloxone and testing kits for drug adulterants such as fentanyl, xylazine, and benzodiazepines; reducing the transmission of infectious diseases including sexually transmitted infections (STI's), HIV, viral hepatitis through screening/testing, 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; and accessing and education regarding the use of gun locks. Additionally, Harm Reduction Staff will identify and implement linkages to additional social services including behavioral health, housing, and other needs.

- 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 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| TBD/Harm Reduction Specialist | \$105,123 x %21.75 | \$22,864 |
| Corey Lersch/Health Protection Supv | \$6,590 x %21.75 | \$1,433 |
| TOTAL FRINGE | | \$24,297 |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

The health department provides a comprehensive benefit plan that includes mandatory FICA match, life insurance, health insurance and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund match. Health insurance premiums vary widely and make up over 2/3 of the total fringe rate of %21.75. This formula was based upon an analysis of historical health plan elections made by these individuals in this practice are. This is the best estimate of the fringe benefit rate at this time.

- 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 |
|---------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Local Travel | Winnebago County | \$.67 per mile | (7,498 miles x \$.67) | \$5,024 |
| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | \$5,024 |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

Travel expense will be paid to the harm reduction specialists to reimburse for personal car mileage of approximately 312 miles per month for 24 months to attend meetings, disperse kits and engage with appropriate community partners.

D. Supplies

| Supply Item | Computation | Cost |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------|
| Suboxone MAR | \$100 per month x 15 patients x 24 months | \$36,000 |
| Office Supplies | \$40.27 per month x 24 months | \$966 |
| TOTAL SUPPLIES | | \$36,966 |

SUPPLY NARRATIVE:

Suboxone or comparable drug treatment will be utilized for the Medication Assisted Recovery of patients with opioid addiction. The estimated cost is \$100 per month for the duration of treatment with 15 patients on average under the treatment plan or \$1,500 per month for 24 months of the grant period. Office supplies and materials consumption is estimated at 40.27 per month for a total of \$966.48.

E. Other Costs

| Item | Computation | Cost |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Contractual Services UIC | \$11,000 x 2 years | \$22,000.00 |
| TOTAL OTHER | | \$22,000.00 |

OTHER COSTS NARRATIVE:

Medication Assisted Recovery is performed by appropriate medically credentialed personnel provided by University of Chicago @ Rockford with drug therapy dispersed by licensed pharmacists.

BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| A. Personnel | \$111,714 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | \$24,296 |
| C. Travel | \$5,024 |
| D. Supplies | \$36,966 |
| E. Other Costs | \$22,000 |
| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$200,000 |



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Marlana Dokken
Committee: Finance Committee
Committee Date: August 1, 2024
Resolution Title: RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
County Code: n/a
Board Meeting Date: August 8, 2024

Budget Information:

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: n/a |
| If not, explain funding source: Opioid Lawsuit Settlement | |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: | Budget Impact: None |

Background Information: Nationwide settlements have been reached to resolve Opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against distributors. The ensuing lawsuit resulted in settlements for Winnebago County, of which a portion shall be distributed to the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office pursuant to its submitted proposal.

Recommendation: Approve the attached proposal.

Contract/Agreement: The funding award is available for review.

Legal Review: n/a

Follow-Up: n/a

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS**

2024 CR _____

SUBMITTED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

SPONSORED BY: JOHN BUTITTA

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS
TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2023, the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois adopted a Resolution establishing the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, as settlements are reached to resolve opioid litigation and funding is allocated to the State of Illinois and local governments, including Winnebago County, Illinois, the County desires to allocate Opioid settlement funding to approved Winnebago County departments per the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois has reviewed the attached proposal and after having conferred with County Administration, recommends its approval by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office Opioid Settlement proposal is hereby approved, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution 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 Board Chairman, the Finance Department, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office, and the Chairman's Office of Criminal Justice Initiatives.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGREE

DISAGREE

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

JAIME SALGADO, VICE CHAIRMAN

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

MICHAEL THOMPSON

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of
Winnebago, Illinois this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTESTED BY:

JOSEPH V. 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



WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (JAIL)
WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT
REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. 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> <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</p> | |

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 |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| 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

BUDGET SUMMARY

| Budget Category | Amount |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| A. Personnel | 100,000 |
| B. Fringe Benefits | 65,143 |
| C. Travel | 5,226.00 |
| D. Supplies | 11,720 |
| E. Other Costs | |
| TOTAL PROJECT COSTS | \$182,089.00 |



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Marlana Dokken
Committee: Finance Committee
Committee Date: August 1, 2024
Resolution Title: RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS TO THE 17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
County Code: n/a
Board Meeting Date: August 8, 2024

Budget Information:

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|---|---------------------------|
| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: n/a |
| If not, explain funding source: Opioid Lawsuit Settlement | |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: | Budget Impact: None |

Background Information: Nationwide settlements have been reached to resolve Opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against distributors. The ensuing lawsuit resulted in settlements for Winnebago County, of which a portion shall be distributed to the 17th Judicial Circuit Court pursuant to its submitted proposal.

Recommendation: Approve the attached proposal.

Contract/Agreement: The funding award is available for review.

Legal Review: n/a

Follow-Up: n/a

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS**

2024 CR _____

SUBMITTED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

SPONSORED BY: JOHN BUTITTA

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS
TO THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT**

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2023, the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois adopted a Resolution establishing the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, as settlements are reached to resolve opioid litigation and funding is allocated to the State of Illinois and local governments, including Winnebago County, Illinois, the County desires to allocate Opioid settlement funding to approved Winnebago County departments per the Winnebago County Opioid Settlement Funding Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the County Board for the County of Winnebago, Illinois has reviewed the attached proposal and after having conferred with County Administration, recommends its approval by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois that the 17th Judicial Circuit Court Opioid Settlement proposal is hereby approved, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution 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 Board Chairman, the Finance Department, 17th Judicial Circuit Court, and the Chairman's Office of Criminal Justice Initiatives.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AGREE

DISAGREE

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

JAIME SALGADO, VICE CHAIRMAN

JAIME SALGADO, VICE CHAIRMAN

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JOHN F. SWEENEY

JOHN F. SWEENEY

MICHAEL THOMPSON

MICHAEL THOMPSON

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 V. CHIARELLI
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS



17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
WINNEBAGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT
REQUEST FOR INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

PROPOSAL

Please submit your proposal using this template. Identify the **Core Strategy** and **Use** you determine to be the most appropriate use of funds. 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: 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.

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

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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 | | |
| 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 |
|---------------|-------------|------|
| N/A | | |
| TOTAL FRINGE | | |

FRINGE NARRATIVE:

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| N/A |
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- 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 | | | | |
| TOTAL TRAVEL | | | | |

TRAVEL NARRATIVE:

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| N/A |
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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 |
| 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.

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 |

FY25 BUDGET UPDATE

**CLOSED SESSION TO
DISCUSS PENDING
LITIGATION**



Resolution Executive Summary

Prepared By: Tanya Harris

Committee: Finance Committee

Committee Date: August 1, 2024

Resolution Title: Resolution authorizing settlement of a claim against the County of Winnebago entitled Thomas Truitt versus Winnebago County

Board Meeting Date: August 8, 2024

Budget Information:

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Was item budgeted? Yes | Appropriation Amount: \$37,741.25 |
| If not, explain funding source: | Budget Impact: \$37,741.25 |
| ORG/OBJ/Project Code: 49400-43535 | Tort Judgement Fund/Worker's Comp Claims |

Background Information: Settlement for Thomas Truitt in the amount of \$37,741.25.

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 July 25, 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
THOMAS TRUITT VERSUS WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

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

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has offered to settle the above claims against the County of Winnebago for consideration payable in the amount of \$37,741.25 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 Thomas Truitt versus County of Winnebago for injuries allegedly sustained by Thomas Truitt while in the employment of the Highway Department by payment of the amount of \$37,741.25 for the settlement for permanent disability for a Workers Compensation case.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution for Thomas Truitt in the amount of \$37,741.25 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

JOHN BUTITTA, CHAIRMAN

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MICHAEL THOMPSON

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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
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS