

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee  
SUBMITTED BY



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DRAFTED BY

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DATE DRAFTED

PROCLAIMING APRIL 2013 NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH  
“Smart Justice: Creating Safer Communities”

1 WHEREAS, the nation’s 3,069 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities  
2 serving more than 300 million Americans; and  
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4 WHEREAS, Rock County and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the  
5 health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and  
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7 WHEREAS, county governments are often the entity providing both direct and indirect services to  
8 enhance the lives of residents and are responsible for maintaining public safety and the efficient use of  
9 local tax dollars; and  
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11 WHEREAS, currently more than 13 million individuals are booked into county jails each year and more  
12 than 700,000 individuals are booked into state and federal prisons; and  
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14 WHEREAS, National Association of Counties President Chris Rodgers is encouraging counties to  
15 promote effective community corrections programs across the country through his 2012-13 “Smart  
16 Justice” presidential initiative; and  
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18 WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across  
19 the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve; and,  
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21 WHEREAS, the Rock County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), established in 2006 as an  
22 advisory committee to the county board on justice issues, has made great strides in collaboratively  
23 improving the justice system in Rock County and reducing the jail population; and,  
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25 WHEREAS, the CJCC has supported programs such as the Drug Court, Veterans Court, OWI Court,  
26 Offender Reentry Resource Fair, Crisis Intervention Team Training, the Sheriff’s Electronic Monitoring  
27 and Workender Programs, and Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Activities; and,  
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29 WHEREAS, these initiatives have saved taxpayer money while protecting public safety and improving  
30 the quality of life for Rock County Residents.  
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32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
33 this 25 day of April, 2013 does hereby proclaim April 2013 as National County  
34 Government Month and encourages all county officials, employees, schools, and residents to participate  
35 in county government celebration activities.

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Respectfully submitted,

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