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**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2021 – 4:30 p.m.**  
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**TOPIC: Human Services Board Meeting**  
**TIME: April 28, 2021 04:30 PM**

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**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2021 – 4:30 p.m.**  
**Virtual Meeting**

**AGENDA**

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting on April 14, 2021 \*
3. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements
4. Submission of Committee Requests
5. Approval of Contracts and Transfers \* – Ms. Mooren
6. Rock County HSD April Employee Impact Recognition Award – Ms. Luster
7. Foster Care Advisory Committee Update – Ms. Mayer
8. Resolution In Support Of Governor Evers’ 2021-2023 Executive Budget Proposals for Caregivers\*  
– Ms. Thompson
9. United Cerebral Palsy Update on Birth to Three – Ms. Suffernick
10. Report on HSD work regarding Housing and Homelessness – Ms. Luster and Mr. Winkler
11. Director’s Report
  - Update: COVID Related Departmental and Community Needs
  - Update: Dr. Daniel Hale Williams Rock County Resource Center
  - Update: Alia Innovations Child Welfare Grant
12. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, **May 12, 2021, Virtual Meeting** at 4:30 p.m.
13. Adjourn

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**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 14, 2021 – 4:30 P.M.**

**Call to Order:** Chair Knudson called the virtual meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24, 2021.

**Committee Members Present:** Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative; Shirley Williams, Supervisor (by telephone); J. Russell Podzilni, Supervisor; Kaelyb Lokranz, Supervisor; Kathy Schulz, Supervisor; Angelina Reyes, Citizen Representative; Ashley Hoffman, Citizen Representative; and Pam Bostwick, Supervisor.

**Committee Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Katherine Luster, Director; Tera O'Connor, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Manager; Verence Sandoval, Administrative Intern; Maria Delgado, Economic Support (ES) Division Manager; Julie Studinski (ES); and Tami Shaw (ES).

**Others Present:** None.

**Approval of Agenda:** Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the agenda to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Schulz. The agenda was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of March 24, 2021:** Supervisor Hoffman moved the minutes to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Bostwick. The minutes were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements:** Supervisor Bostwick shared that she and others participated in this week's Human Services Day at the Capital and met with several legislators.

**Submission of Committee Requests:** None.

**Review of the Bills:** Mr. Stevens reviewed the bills. Supervisor Bostwick asked about the impact of the American Rescue Act on our ability to pay non-profit organizations. Mr. Stevens and Ms. Luster responded to the questions.

**Approval of Contracts and Transfers:** Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved fourteen contracts to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Hoffman. The contracts were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Resolution to Recognize Economic Support Workers** – Supervisor Bostwick moved the resolution seconded by Citizen Rep. Weavers-Landers. Ms. Delgado reviewed the important role that Economic Support workers play in assuring that Rock County residents have access to much needed benefits including Foodshare, Medicaid and Child Care. During the pandemic, they have adapted to many changes, shifting policies and needs. This is an important opportunity to recognize the central role they play in our community. The resolution was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Resolution Recognizing Administrative Professionals** – Citizen Rep. Weavers-Landers moved the resolution seconded by Supervisor Schulz. Ms. Mooren described the many essential functions filled by Administrative Support professionals all year long and specific role they have played to adapt to the needs associated with COVID-19. She emphasized the value in recognizing Administrative Assistants as well as other staff in the Administrative Services Division who provide behind the scenes support to allow the programs of HSD to operate. The resolution was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Discussion Regarding Use of Exhibit Space at Daniel Hale Williams Resource Center** – Ms. Luster and Mr. Stevens shared information about a proposal by the Blackhawk Community Credit Union and the Rock County Historical Society to develop an exhibit to be displayed in the Dr. Daniel Hale Williams RC Resource Center. Mr. Stevens also shared information about the plans to honor Dr. Williams with a permanent display in a visible location when coming in the West Entrance. The Blackhawk Credit Union’s proposed exhibit would focus on the history of General Motors and the GM plant’s role in the community and could be a draw for the general public. Pros and cons of this idea were discussed. Concerns were expressed about respect for client privacy when coming to receive services and that increased public traffic with no other connection to the building could be disruptive. There were also suggestions for other subjects that have more of a direct tie to the mission of Human Services to be the focus of a display. Examples included artwork from local schools or from recipients of services. The idea of a rotating display option vs. a permanent exhibit was supported. The specific proposal from Blackhawk Credit Union was identified as one positive option among potential others to be included as possible rotating exhibits in the future. Ms. Luster will share this feedback with Brent Sutherland from Facilities Management for consideration moving forward.

**Director’s Report:**

- **Update: COVID Related Departmental and Community Needs:** Ms. Luster shared the following updates: The HSD continues to operate as it has been with no changes. Ms. Luster also discussed the American Rescue Plan Act which will result in over \$30 million dollars coming to Rock County over the next two years. Money must be spent by 2024. Ms. Luster reviewed the four categories of allowable expenditures and advised that the County Board will need to make decisions about how to prioritize use of these funds. Human Services related needs are likely to be allowable expenses under some categories so Ms. Luster suggested that the HSD Board consider suggested priorities to recommend for possible funding. As more information is available about specific allowable expenses, Ms. Luster will share this information.
- **Update: Dr. Daniel Hale Williams Rock County Resource Center:** Ms. Luster advised there has been significant progress at the DWRC, which most were able to see during the tour earlier that day.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, **April 28, 2021** at 4:30 p.m. – via Zoom.

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Williams motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Schulz with unanimous approval at 5:40 p.m.

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Kathleen Wellnitz, Secretary

**NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD**



**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Contract Summary**  
**April 28, 2021**

**Children's Long Term Support (CLTS)**

**1 PROVIDER:** KANDU INDUSTRIES INC (HSD-2021-0065-A1)

**START/END:** 1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**LOCATION:** Janesville WI

**CONTRACT SUMMARY:** This amendment adds Daily Living Skills for the CLTS program to the current agreement.

<b>RATE:</b>	Guardianship Services	\$203.42/Month	NA
	Daily Living Skills (Per State Rate Schedule)	\$38/Hour	New
	Daily Living Skills - Group of 2 (Per State Rate Schedule)	\$23.75/Hour	New
	Daily Living Skills - Group of 3 (Per State Rate Schedule)	\$15.83/Hour	New

**CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES (CYF)**

**2 PROVIDER:** FOUNDATIONS COUNSELING CENTER INC (HSD-2021-0154)

**START/END:** 1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**LOCATION:** Belleville WI

**CONTRACT SUMMARY:** Foundations Counseling Center will provide intensive in-home family therapy to promote youth and family stability and prevent the unnecessary removal of youth from their home and community.

<b>RATE:</b>	In-Home Therapy - Primary	\$80/Hour	0%
	Travel - Primary	\$80/Hour	0%
	In-Home Therapy - Secondary	\$30/Hour	0%
	Travel - Secondary	\$30/Hour	0%
	Respite - Includes Admin Rate	\$100/Hour	New

**COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES (CCS)**

**CONTRACT SUMMARY:** Jefferson, Rock and Walworth Counties provide regionalized CCS services and therefore engage in joint contracts with multiple CCS providers. Regional rates are determined by the qualifications of the provider. The number of clients approved for services with each provider will determine the actual amount of each contract.

**3 PROVIDER:** HIGHWAYS AND HEDGES THERAPEUTIC SYSTEMS LLC (HSD-2021-0153)

**START/END:** 1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**LOCATION:** Beloit WI

<b>RATE:</b>	Service Planning (MA)	\$128/Hour	
	Service Facilitation (MA)	\$128/Hour	
	Psychoeducation (MA)	\$128/Hour	
	Psychotherapy (MA)	\$128/Hour	New
	Group Psychoeducation (MA)	\$32/Hour	
	Group Psychotherapy (MA)	\$32/Hour	

<b>4</b>	<b>PROVIDER:</b>	<b>LESSONS IN HARMONY (HSD-2021-0152)</b>		
	<b>START/END:</b>	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021		
	<b>LOCATION:</b>	Fort Atkinson WI		
		Service Planning (BA)	\$66.19/Hour	
	<b>RATE:</b>	Individual Skill Development and Enhancement (BA)	\$66.19/Hour	New
		Psychoeducation (BA)	\$66.19/Hour	
		Wellness Management and Recovery/Recovery Support Services (BA)	\$66.19/Hour	
<b>5</b>	<b>PROVIDER:</b>	<b>STATELINE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES SC (HSD-2021-0150)</b>		
	<b>START/END:</b>	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021		
	<b>LOCATION:</b>	Beloit WI		
		Service Planning (MA)	\$124.68/Hour	
		Service Facilitation (MA)	\$124.68/Hour	
	<b>RATE:</b>	Diagnostic Evaluation (MA)	\$124.68/Hour	New
		Psychoeducation (MA)	\$124.68/Hour	
		Psychotherapy (MA)	\$124.68/Hour	
		Individual Skill Development and Enhancement	\$124.68/Hour	
<b>6</b>	<b>PROVIDER:</b>	<b>THE FOSTER LANE LLC (HSD-2021-0151)</b>		
	<b>START/END:</b>	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021		
	<b>LOCATION:</b>	Janesville WI		
	<b>CONTRACT SUMMARY:</b>	Jefferson, Rock and Walworth Counties provide regionalized CCS services and therefore engage in joint contracts with multiple CCS providers. Regional rates are determined by the qualifications of the provider. The number of clients approved for services with each provider will determine the actual amount of each contract		
		Service Planning (BA)	\$103/Hour	
		Service Facilitation (BA)	\$103/Hour	
	<b>RATE:</b>	Psychoeducation (BA)	\$103/Hour	New
		Peer Support (BA)	\$103/Hour	
		Group Psychoeducation (BA)	\$25.75/Hour	
		Group Substance Abuse Treatment (BA)	\$25.75/Hour	
<b>Children's Out of Home Care</b>				
<b>7</b>	<b>PROVIDER:</b>	<b>POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES INC (HSD-2021-0141-A1)</b>		
	<b>START/END:</b>	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021		
	<b>LOCATION:</b>	Janesville WI		
	<b>CONTRACT SUMMARY:</b>	This amendment is intended solely to add mentoring/supervised visit rate to the agreement dated January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, presently in effect between the parties. All other terms and conditions will continue as stated in the original agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided in this amendment.		
	<b>RATE:</b>	Mentoring/Supervised Visits	\$50.00/hour	new

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

EVAS Committee  
INITIATED BY

EVAS Committee  
SUBMITTED BY



Sup. Doug Wilde  
DRAFTED BY

April 14, 2021  
DATE DRAFTED

**IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR EVERS' 2021-2023 EXECUTIVE BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR CAREGIVERS**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the percentage of Wisconsin's population age 65 and older is increasing; and  
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3 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin faces a critical shortage of direct care workers that leaves families and  
4 individuals struggling to meet care needs; and  
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6 **WHEREAS**, people with chronic conditions and disabilities are living longer, contributing to an even  
7 higher demand for family caregivers in Wisconsin's future; and  
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9 **WHEREAS**, preliminary results of a 2019 Family Caregiver Survey conducted for the Wisconsin  
10 Family and Caregiver Support Alliance report that majority of the 612 survey respondents experience  
11 caregiving difficulties, which include:  
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13 - Not meeting their own personal care needs – 73%.  
14 - Not balancing caregiving and work – 63%.  
15 - Not balancing the needs of children and other family members – 60%.  
16 - Not understanding government programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, SSI, etc. – 53%.  
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18 **WHEREAS**, a majority of family caregivers who responded to this survey also noted personal impacts  
19 such as:  
20 - Fatigue – 72%.  
21 - Decreased social life – 64%.  
22 - Negative impacts on relationships with friends and/or family – 53%.  
23 - Worsening emotional and/or physical health – 90%.  
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25 **WHEREAS**, the emergence of the COVID-19 Pandemic has further heightened the need to implement  
26 additional supports for family caregivers; and  
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28 **WHEREAS**, the Governor's proposed 2021-2023 Executive Budget contains initiatives to support  
29 family caregivers, which include:  
30 • Investing over \$200 million to support family caregiving by creating a Caregiving Tax Credit  
31 that provides up to a \$500 credit for qualified caregiving expenses.  
32 • Providing additional funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers, expands the dementia  
33 care specialist program statewide, expands the tribal aging and disability resources specialist  
34 program, the tribal disability benefit specialist program, and extends caregiver support services  
35 to address the needs of caregivers of adults with disabilities who are age 19 to 59.  
36 • Funding expansion of the Alzheimer's Family Caregiving Support program which provides  
37 assistance to low-and-middle-income families throughout the state that have a family member  
38 who is suffering from Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or another related memory disorder.



- 39 • Creating a pilot Tailored Caregiver Assessment and Referral (TCARE) program for family  
40 caregivers to provide evidence-based care management protocols designed to support family  
41 caregivers of adults with chronic or acute health conditions.
- 42 • Allowing family caregivers to use Wisconsin FMLA leave for those with chronic conditions for  
43 caregiving responsibilities and expand the list of individuals covered to include grandparents,  
44 grandchildren, and siblings.
- 45 • Providing funding to support a Family and Guardian Training Program as well as additional  
46 Ombudsmen positions at the Board of Aging and Long-Term Care.
- 47 • Ensuring that all eligible children receive service under the Children's Long-Term Support  
48 waiver program, providing long-term services to children with intellectual, physical and/or  
49 developmental disabilities, and severe emotional disturbances.
- 50 • Establishing requirements and standards for hospitals relating to caregivers when discharging  
51 patients.

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53 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly  
54 assembled this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2021, does hereby support the family caregiver support initiatives  
55 proposed by Governor Tony Evers and urge the Wisconsin State Legislature to include them in the  
56 2021-2023 Wisconsin State Budget.

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59 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Rock County Clerk be authorized and directed to send  
60 copies of this resolution to Governor Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and members of the  
61 Wisconsin State Legislature representing Rock County.

Respectfully submitted,

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