

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
INITIATED BY

Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen  
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee,  
Finance Committee  
SUBMITTED BY



September 13, 2010  
DATE DRAFTED

**AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF  
JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS,  
AMENDING THE 2010 BUDGET, AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT**

1 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Bureau of Justice Assistance, has appropriated  
2 funding for grants with the goal being to increase public safety through innovative cross-system  
3 collaboration for individuals with mental illness and/or co-occurring mental health and substance use  
4 disorders (MI/COD) who come into contact with the criminal justice system; and,  
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6 **WHEREAS**, Rock County submitted an application for a planning grant to conduct a full needs and  
7 resource assessment and design a strategic, collaborative plan to initiate systemic change for the  
8 identification and treatment of offenders with MI/COD in Rock County, in April 2010; and  
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10 **WHEREAS**, on September 8, 2010, Rock County's application was approved in the amount of \$62,569,  
11 including \$50,000 in Federal Aid and \$12,569 in-kind services match; and,  
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13 **WHEREAS**, this planning grant, over 12 months beginning October 1, 2010, will be primarily used to  
14 hire a consultant to conduct an intensive needs and resource assessment and visit best practice sites  
15 with regard to MI/COD in the criminal justice system; and,  
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17 **WHEREAS**, strategic planning will focus on diverting non-violent adults and juveniles with MI/COD  
18 from the justice system at the earliest point possible and providing them with the treatment they need to  
19 reduce recidivism and become productive members of society; and,  
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21 **WHEREAS**, this grant will be managed programmatically, including administration of contracts under  
22 this grant, by the Rock County Administrator's Office and fiscally by the Rock County Sheriff's  
23 Office; and,  
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25 **WHEREAS**, a CJCC subcommittee will be established representing support from all levels of  
26 government, justice, mental health and AODA treatment services, transportation, housing, advocates,  
27 consumers, and family members. This collaboration will ultimately form the basis for a problem  
28 solving model or strategic plan.  
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30 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
31 this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2010 does hereby accept the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration  
32 Program Grant funds in the amount of \$62,569 from the U.S. Department of Justice.  
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34 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2010 Rock County Sheriff's Office budget be amended as  
35 follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget at 9/13/10</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Sheriff's Office</u>			
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
21-2220-0000-42100/ Federal Aid	0	50,000	50,000

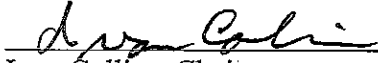
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44	<u>Use of Funds</u>			
45	21-2220-0000-63110/			
46	Administration Expense	0	50,000	50,000


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 48 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a contract is authorized for hiring the Janesville League of  
 49 Women Voters to conduct two community roundtable meetings and four focus groups, as designated in  
 50 the grant application, in the amount of \$1,200 during the grant period from October 1, 2010-September  
 51 30, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

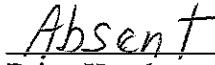
**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

  
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 Ivan Collins, Chair

  
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 Larry Wiedenfeld, Vice Chair

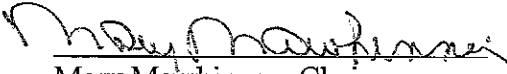
  
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 Hank Brill

  
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 Brian Knudson

**FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT**

Reviewed and approved on a vote of 50.

  
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 Mary Mawhinney, Chair


**ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:**

Recommended.

  
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 Craig Knutson  
 County Administrator

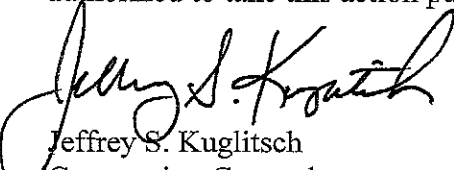
**FISCAL NOTE:**

This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of a \$50,000 Federal grant for the Mental Health Collaboration Program. The \$12,569 in-kind match is already included in the 2010 budget for staff costs associated with this program.

  
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 Jeffrey A. Smith  
 Finance Director

**LEGAL NOTE:**

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2010 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats. The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

  
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 Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
 Corporation Counsel

## Executive Summary

### **AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS, AMENDING THE 2010 BUDGET, AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS**

The U.S. Department of Justice, through the Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, has authorized funding for grants through the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004 and the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 2008. The goal of the grant is to increase public safety through innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MI/COD) who come into contact with the criminal justice system.

On September 8, 2010, Rock County was awarded a \$50,000 planning grant to design a strategic, collaborative plan to initiate systemic change for the identification and treatment of offenders with MI/COD. The twenty percent match (of \$12,569) for which the County is responsible will come in the form of an in-kind personnel match, as opposed to any monetary expenditure by the county.

The planning grant requires development of an effective collaboration representing support from all levels of government, justice, mental health and AODA treatment services, transportation, housing, advocates, consumers, and family members. This collaboration will ultimately form the basis for a problem solving model, or strategic plan, to intercept individuals from the system at the earliest point possible while promoting public safety.

Strategic planning will focus on diverting non-violent adults and juveniles with MI/COD from the justice system at the earliest point possible and providing them with the treatment they need to reduce recidivism and become productive members of society. Specific objectives of the planning process are to determine what information should be tracked and how to create a system for tracking such data; enhance communication and coordination between justice entities, mental health providers, and AODA providers; increase diversion strategies for MI/COD offenders; and increase the number of justice personnel with knowledge about MI/COD. A cross-systems strategic plan will be designed to improve the nexus between the mental health, AODA, and justice systems.