



RESOLUTION # 13-7119

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 7-16  
BOARD ACTION

Adopted:   
For: 24  
Against: 1  
Abstain: 1  
Abs/Excd: 5  
Vote Req: 1  
Other Action:   

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:   
For: 8  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 0

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:   
For: 8  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 1

**RE: AUTHORIZING POSITION AND PURCHASES RELATED TO THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE JAG EBDM PRETRIAL PILOT SITES PROJECT GRANT FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Department of Justice has awarded a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Evidence-Based Decision Making (EBDM) Pretrial Pilot Sites Project grant in the amount of \$44,687, with no match requirements, to La Crosse County for the current period of 2019, with anticipation of 4 additional years of funding, effective May 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019 (to be extended to December 31, 2019). Such funding is to be utilized to develop and enhance a pretrial program designed to maximize public safety and court appearance while maximizing pretrial release; and,

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County Justice Support Services is an active participant in the Wisconsin Pretrial Pilot Project along with six other Wisconsin Counties, and is well positioned to perform the expectations and standards of a pretrial agency as required by the pilot project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the need for an additional pretrial screening social worker will be required to take on the additional tasks of assessing those charged with a crime that are not in custody to provide the courts with necessary information to assist in making bond decisions, as well as the additional requirements of quality assurance and training as outlined by the pilot project.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby accepts the JAG EBDM Pretrial Pilot Sites Project grant in the amount of \$44,687 and the County Administrator is authorized to execute any documents to effectuate this resolution, after approval of Corporation Counsel; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board of Supervisors authorize the hiring of 1.0 FTE Justice Support Services Social Worker position, effective immediately, to fulfill the proposed programming outlined in the DOJ Pretrial Pilot grant proposal; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Board Chair is authorized to execute any contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the additional staff authorized under this resolution will be hired and retained only so long as they can be supported by State dollars related to the DOJ Pretrial Pilot grant or from directly related program savings; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is authorized to make any necessary and appropriate account transfers related to accepting this additional funding.

**FISCAL NOTE:** Total grant award is \$44,687 currently ending September 30, 2019, with the understanding that Wisconsin DOJ will be requesting an extension of funding to go through December 31, 2019. There is no local match requirement. Wisconsin Department of Justice has indicated available funding to support these pretrial needs over the next four years. A new division will be

created within the County financial system under the Justice Support Services section to account for the personnel and operating costs of the grant.

Date: July 9, 2019  
Sharon Humpal  
COMMITTEE CHAIR  
Alice K. Sorenson  
RECORDING CLERK

Date: July 10, 2019  
[Signature]  
COMMITTEE CHAIR  
Jerry G. Pavlic  
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	_____	<u>SO</u>	_____	Requested By: Jason Witt
Fin. Director	<u>SRD</u>	_____	_____	Date Requested: July 1, 2019
Corp. Counsel	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____	_____	Drafted By: Jason Witt
Board Chair	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18 Day of July, 2019

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019.

[Signature]  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk