



RESOLUTION # 13-7/22

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

ITEM # 7-19
BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 28
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Abs/Excd: 2
Vote Req: 1/2 Full
Other Action: —

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION

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

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

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

RE: ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING TO HIRE 2.0 FTE SOCIAL WORKERS TO ENHANCE AND STRENGTHEN MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS SERVICES

WHEREAS, La Crosse County has been awarded grant funding in the amount of \$95,458 from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (available from March 15, 2022, through March 14, 2023) to hire 2.0 FTE Social Worker positions to strengthen and enhance local mental health crisis response services; and,

WHEREAS, La Crosse County is experiencing an increase in demand for mental health crisis services as evidenced by an increase between the years 2020 and 2021 in both crisis contacts (rising from 16,882 to 20,832) and emergency detentions (rising from 172 to 267), with contacts projected to continue to rise for 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the additional capacity from these positions will allow an expansion in hours for the mental health crisis co-responder collaboration with the City of La Crosse Police Department as well as short-term case management and resource connection for individuals with mental challenges who are awaiting access to longer-term mental health services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby accepts the \$95,458 in grant funding from Wisconsin DHS; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that La Crosse County is authorized to contract for all services that are necessary to meet the terms of the grant as long as they can be supported with the related federal funding; 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, the Finance Department is authorized to make any necessary and appropriate account transfers relating to accepting this additional federal funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Human Services Department is authorized to hire and maintain 2.0 FTE Social Worker positions for as long as funding from this grant is available to support them.

FISCAL NOTE: Award funds of a total \$95,458 with no County match required, and the award period ending March 14, 2023. The operating and staffing costs will be tracked under the 210.445.5235 division within the County financial system under the Integrated Support and Recovery Services section.

Date: 7/12/22

Charles L. Siffert
COMMITTEE CHAIR

John Buchler
RECORDING CLERK

Date: 7/13/22

Genevieve L. Krueger
COMMITTEE CHAIR

R.T. Krueger
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.		<u>JK</u>	
Fin. Director	<u>[Signature]</u>		
Corp. Counsel	<u>[Signature]</u>		
Board Chair			

Requested By: Jason Witt
Date Requested: July 5, 2022
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 21 Day of July, 2022

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 21st day of July 2022.

[Signature]
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk