

LC RESOLUTION # 18-10/25 TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	ITEM # 10-8 BOARD ACTION Adopted: ☒ For: 28 Against: 8 Abstain: 0 Abs/Excd: 1 Vote Req: 1 Other Action: -	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD ACTION Adopted: Y For: 8 Against: 8 Abstain: 0 Abs/Excd: -1
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RE: AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR STATE FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY-WIDE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2028 THROUGH 2030.

WHEREAS, Wisconsin youth obesity rates have increased to 19% and adult obesity rates are at 36%* and obesity contributes to increased development of chronic disease and lowered life expectancy; and,

WHEREAS, the La Crosse County Safe Routes to School Program increases physical activity among K-12th grade children & families by educating about and encouraging safe and active commuting to and from school; and

WHEREAS, the La Crosse County Safe Routes to School Program and partner organizations including public and private school districts and communities, (La Crosse, Onalaska, Holmen, West Salem and Bangor), Metropolitan Planning Organization, La Crosse Area Planning Committee, La Crosse Public Library, local law enforcement agencies and community groups such as the Safe Kids Coalition of the Coulee Region, the Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, positively impacted students and their families; and,

WHEREAS, from 2007 to 2025, approximately \$1,508,922 in grant funding was awarded to La Crosse County from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s Safe Routes to School grant program for implementation of Safe Routes to School non-infrastructure activities, and

WHEREAS, current grant funding for Safe Routes to School non-infrastructure activities will sustain the program from 2025 through mid-2028 in the amount of \$570,577 through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s Transportation Alternative Program (TAP), with a required 20% match;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the La Crosse County Transportation Alternatives Program’s application for state funding in the amount of \$598,494 (with a required 20% match of \$119,699) for state fiscal years 2028, 2029, and 2030 in order to continue providing this service to schools, children and families in La Crosse County.

FISCAL NOTE: Acceptance of this grant will require a 20% match of \$119,699 to be levied as part of the 2028, 2029 and 2030 budgets. The personnel and operating costs related to this ongoing grant are tracked under division 200.240.3583 within the County financial system under the Administration and Operations section of the Health Department.

Date: 10-7-25

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD CHAIR

Jeff Buckholz

RECORDING CLERK

	Recommended	Not Recommended	Reviewed Only	
Co. Admin.				Requested By: Audra Martine
Fin. Director				Date Requested: Sept. 24, 2025
Corp. Counsel				Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 16 Day of October, 2025

*State of Obesity 2024: Better Policies for a Healthier America Report. Trust for America’s Health, [Trust for America's Health \(tfah.org\)](https://www.trustforamerica'shealth.org)

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 16th day of October 2025.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk