

 <b>RESOLUTION #</b> <u>7-6/26</u>	<b>ITEM #</b> <u>6-14</u>	<b>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION</b>
	<b>BOARD ACTION</b> Adopted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For: <u>28</u> Against: <u>0</u> Abstain: <u>0</u> Abs/Excd: <u>2</u> Vote Req: <u>2/3 Present</u> Other Action: <u>—</u>	Adopted: <u>yes</u> For: <u>7</u> Against: <u>0</u> Abstain: <u>0</u> Abs/Excd: <u>2</u>	Adopted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For: <u>9</u> Against: <u>0</u> Abstain: <u>0</u> Abs/Excd: <u>0</u>
<b>TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</b>			

**RE: ACCEPTING ENERGY ASSISTANCE FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING ONE (1.0 FTE) ENERGY ASSISTANCE SPECIALIST POSITION**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County Human Services administers the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) for La Crosse County residents, which provides financial help for heating and electric bills, crisis support for energy emergencies, and additional services like HVAC and weatherization assistance; and,

**WHEREAS**, the workload for administering WHEAP will be significantly increasing due to state-level changes where La Crosse County staff will be responsible for processing all applications within the service area, including online applications previously processed through a state vendor; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Department of Administration has increased its allocation for La Crosse County to support the hiring of an additional (1.0 FTE) Energy Specialist Position to handle the additional workload (this includes an additional \$12,000 for the last three months of the current Federal Fiscal Year, with a commitment for continued increased funding for the next fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts \$12,000 in WHEAP funds and authorizes the addition of one (1.0 FTE) Energy Assistance Specialist position within the Human Services Department, effective July 2026; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the position shall remain contingent upon continued availability of increased WHEAP funding.

**FISCAL NOTE:** The position and associated onboarding and training costs are fully funded through WHEAP funding provided by the Wisconsin Department of Administration. Costs will be tracked under the 210.480.4960 org within the County financial statement under the Economic Support section.

Date: 6/10/2026

Dillon Menden  
**COMMITTEE CHAIR**

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**RECORDING CLERK**

Date: 6/11/2026

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**COMMITTEE CHAIR**

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**RECORDING CLERK**

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>                    </u>	Requested By: Jason Witt Date Requested: May 26, 2026 Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Fin. Director	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>                    </u>	
Corp. Counsel	<u>✓ AMF</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	
Board Chair	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18 Day of June, 2026

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 June 2026.

[Signature]  
 Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk