

## AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S 2015 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

By Supervisor Bowen

Amend Org. Unit No. 1151 – Department of Administrative Services- Economic Development Division as follows:

In 2013, the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) was allocated funding to oversee the Transform Milwaukee Jobs (TMJ) program. The goals of TMJ are:

1. To transition individuals into stable unsubsidized employment.
2. To increase child support payments through stable unsubsidized employment.
3. To support reunification plans with children by enhancing parental capabilities and long-term child safety through stable unsubsidized employment.
4. To transition former foster youth into independent living through stable unsubsidized employment.

TMJ connects low-income, unemployed workers to public and private employment opportunities. The program subsidizes wages by reimbursing employers for participant's compensation up to the state minimum wage of \$7.25/hour. Participating employers can provide additional compensation according to their employment practices. TMJ participants can work in subsidized jobs for 1040 hours at a time. After the 1040 hours are completed, an employer can hire the participant without the TMJ wage subsidy. DCF partners with two community organizations, the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board (MAWIB) and UMOS, which prepares eligible participants for employment opportunities.

The Director of Economic Development will assess the feasibility of the County participating in TMJ by employing individuals to complete appropriate deferred maintenance projects. The Director of Economic Development, working in collaboration with the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Culture and Facilities Maintenance staff, will identify potential deferred maintenance projects that may be appropriate for TMJ participants. The Director of Economic Development will present his/her findings and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors during the March committee cycle.

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Org Unit No: 1151

Org. Name: Department of Administration – Economic Development Division

Date: October 28, 2014

This amendment would have no tax levy impact.

Org. No.	Department (or Capital Project)	Expenditure	Revenue (or Bonds*)	Tax Levy
1151	DAS- Economic Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTALS:</b>		\$0	\$0	\$0

*If approved, the Adopted Budget narrative shall be modified as needed to reflect this amendment.*

FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND AUDIT COMMITTEE ROLL CALL		
	AYES	NOES
Haas	X	
Mayo	X	
Schmitt	X	
Romo West	X	
Jursik	X	
Lipscomb	X	
Bowen	X	
<b>Co-Chair Cullen</b>	X	
<b>Co-Chair Johnson</b>	X	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	9	0

Approved 9-0