

Request for Authorization for the Chief Judge to retroactively apply for and to accept the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Family Treatment Court Enhancement Grant for 2024, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2024, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approved the 2025 Adopted Budget (File No. 24-827), which was subsequently signed by the County Executive, and included funding for the Family Drug Treatment Court (FDTC) through the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Children and Families contract and tax levy; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2024, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) announced a competitive grant solicitation for Family Treatment Court Programs, to build the capacity of State and local courts to enhance existing family treatment courts; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2024, Combined Court Related Operations (Combined Courts) applied for this grant solicitation; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2024, Combined Courts was notified of its 2024 OJJDP award, in the amount of \$719,572, which requires a 25 percent local match; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) will meet the local match requirement by dedicating a portion of the FDTC Coordinator's time to implementing and managing grant initiatives, while partner child welfare agencies will contribute in-kind by supervising the two-grant-funded positions and covering unreimbursed overhead costs; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 OJJDP award is a \$719,572 increase in Federal grant funding from the amount anticipated in the 2025 Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, FDTC will use the funds to provide ongoing training to team members; and

WHEREAS, FDTC will use the grant funding to partner with child welfare to provide two dedicated, full-time positions to provide ongoing, consistent, and evidence-based supervised visitation and coaching for FDTC participants; and

WHEREAS, FDTC will also use the grant funding to provide for an evaluation of the effectiveness of the parenting intervention and its impact on family reunification; and

45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General
46 Services, at its meeting of January 28, 2025, considered File No. 25-1066 for
47 informational purposes only per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; and
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49 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of January 30, 2025,
50 recommended adoption of File No. 24-1066 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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52 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
53 authorizes the Chief Judge, First Judicial District, Combined Court Related Operations,
54 to retroactively apply for and accept the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
55 Prevention (OJJDP) Federal grant funding in the amount of \$719,572; and
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57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance
58 and the Office of the Comptroller are authorized and directed to process an
59 administrative appropriation transfer to recognize \$719,572 in OJJDP grant funds, and
60 to allocate those monies to the appropriate accounts in Agency No. 200 - Combined
61 Court Services to provide for the programs described herein.
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