

Adopted Policies: Local Alternative Placements to Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake

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17-482	<p>A resolution supporting and adopting the Milwaukee County Judiciary's proposal for Juvenile Justice System reform as the policy position of Milwaukee County.</p> <p>County Board Adopted: 06/22/2017</p> <p>Not Yet Returned</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3080449&GUID=9FDD6A7A-D78D-4B9C-B00D-B942D9FB3790&Options=ID Text &Search=17-482</p>	<p>WHEREAS, the County Board recognized a need for smaller, local, secure centers, approving \$500,00 fund transfer to renovate the Child and Adolescent Treatment Center into a Type II secure residential facility to allow the expansion of the Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP); and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the County Board also addressed the issue of placements for female youth in File No. 16-129, when it declared a state of emergency, and requested that the Delinquency and Court Services Division (DCSD) expand the MCAP from 22 beds to 68 beds, including a female specific MCAP program; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, to date the Administration has not expanded the MCAP to 68 beds, has not presented a full 365-day MCAP option to the County Board, and still has no MCAP option for female youth; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) supports the Milwaukee County (the County) judiciary's recommendations, attached to this file, and adopts them in their entirety as the juvenile justice policy for the County; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is the responsibility of the County Board to set the policies for the Milwaukee County and the Milwaukee County Administration should execute those policies forthwith, including presenting the County Board with a full 365-day option for the Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP) as well as a female MCAP option; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board agrees with the judiciary's suggested change in State of Wisconsin (the State) budget language, which would add the following language to "...direct the State Department of Administration (DOA) to conduct a comprehensive long-range master plan of Department of Corrections (DOC) facilities "including, but not limited to the fiscal and programmatic viability of licensing additional regional Type I secure juvenile facilities in the State and establishing regional community-based residential facilities operation by the State DOC or State Department of Children and Families (DFC), or both, by a contractor under the supervision of DOC or DCF, or both"; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the State DOA should also explore the viability of providing facility licensing between a Type I and Type II designation; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Department of Administrative Services and the Office of Government Affairs are authorized to implement this policy in the County and to seek changes at the State level to effectuate these recommendations; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Office of Government Affairs staff is hereby authorized and directed to communicate the contents of this resolution to State elected officials and any other interested stakeholders to aid in implementing these policies.</p>
16-135	<p>From the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, requesting an informational report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, on the department's plan to fill the soon-to-be vacant position of Administrator, Delinquency and Court Services Division, the Administration's response to adopted File No. 16-129, their progress on the development of a plan to provide appropriate assessment and placement options for the relocation of Milwaukee County youth from Lincoln Hills, the creation of an alternative facility, and the option to use the House of Correction as a dispositional placement for serious juvenile offenders, the expansion of the Milwaukee County Accountability Program, including a 365 day placement option, a female specific unit, and a capacity building for 68 beds.</p> <p>Request for information</p> <p>County Board Received & Placed on File: 03/17/2016 Health & Human Needs Committee: 03/09/2016</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2566362&GUID=D00BF5EAC-F1BC-4260-B6B0-A92EFB60A3C1&Options=ID Text &Search=Lincoln+Hills</p>	<p>Report to 16-187 taken with this item.</p> <p>"... allowing capacity of up to 24 males at one time."</p> <p>"Opening 44 MCAP slots in an alternative facility in the community will allow a small (12-bed) unit for girls to be opened in the juvenile detention center. The MCAP program will be tailored to include evidence-based and gender-specific programming for girls."</p> <p>"In addition, DCSD will explore other program models by May 1, 2016 that would present the courts with a 365-day secure detention option as an alternative to Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake, such as La Crosse County's Community Option for Re-Engagement (CORE) program."</p>

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16-129	<p>A resolution declaring a state of emergency relating to Milwaukee County youth committed to secure juvenile detention facilities operated by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, and authorizing the use of \$500,000 from the contingency fund for the creation of an alternative facility upon approval by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>Final Action: 02/08/2016 CB Action: 02/04/2016</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2561906&GUID=1A93215F-57C8-4AB7-ADBFD1EFD44ED0F0&Options=ID Text &Search=16-129</p>	<p>WHEREAS, in addition to exploring an alternative secure juvenile detention facility, the County should develop alternative options, as requested by the Chief Judge, for courts to consider, including expanding the Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP), which allows juveniles to stay in the County and includes a secure detention component, as well as an option that takes advantage of the 2013 State statute change, which allows counties to keep youth in local secure detention up to 365 days; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Chief Judge and the Judiciary at Children's Court are requesting that MCAP further expand to 68 beds to increase the options the Judiciary has when adjudicating youth; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that DHHS- Delinquency and Court Services Division (DCSD) is authorized to create a program, approved by the Board, which presents the courts with a full 365-day secure detention option for the County as an alternative to youths being sent to Lincoln Hills or Copper Lake, whether it is an extension of the Milwaukee County Accountability Program or an entirely new program; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that DCSD is authorized to create a plan for County Board approval that will expand the Milwaukee County Accountability Program (MCAP) from 22 beds to 68 beds as requested by Milwaukee County's Chief Judge, including adding a female specific MCAP program; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon Board approval of a plan for an alternative facility to Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake, the Director of Administrative Services, working in conjunction with the Comptroller, is authorized to process an appropriation transfer of \$500,000 from the Appropriation for Contingencies, Org. 1800-1945, to immediately implement the plan.</p>
16-110	<p>A resolution urging the County Executive to explore all available options to improve the conditions at Lincoln Hills for Milwaukee County youth, authorizing the Department of Health and Human Services to consider alternative secure detention options, and supporting State legislation examining alternative juvenile justice models.</p> <p>Final Action: 02/08/2016 County Board Adopted: 02/04/2016</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2552772&GUID=0CA2720A-7739-4E73-8622-9DE2C8FD7841&Options=ID Text &Search=Lincoln+Hills</p>	<p>WHEREAS, La Crosse County has developed a program called the CORE Academy (Community Option for Re-Engagement), which allows a maximum secure detention option for up to 365 days per Wisconsin Statute 938.34 (3)(f); and</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors urges the County Executive to seek immediate remedies to improve the situation for Milwaukee County youth currently placed at Lincoln Hills, the State Juvenile Justice Facility; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Health and Human Services, is authorized to analyze alternatives for the placement of juveniles in secure detention, i.e., Lincoln Hills, including a review of the La Crosse CORE Academy and possible alternative locations for secure detention such as the House of Corrections that are also consistent with federal and state law; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, due to the urgency of this matter DHHS shall present all secure detention alternatives to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors for consideration in the next cycle; and</p>
16-101	<p>From the Chief Judge, First Judicial District, and the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing a verbal status update on the investigation at Lincoln Hills School for Boys and Copper Lake School for Girls and Milwaukee County's progress on finding appropriate secure alternative placements for adjudicated youth in a safe environment. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)</p> <p>Health & Human Needs: 01/27/2016</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2550243&GUID=3786BF83-89F1-4194-BC15-CFB5E108EEF7&Options=ID Text &Search=Lincoln+Hills</p>	<p>December 10, 2015 letter to Chief Judge White signed by members of the County Board Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit.</p>

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15-754	<p>From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute a contract with the State Department of Children and Families to provide Community Youth and Family Aids for the period effective January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016, and to accept \$35,668,256 in revenue (excluding corrective sanctions) and any addendum thereto.</p> <p>Final Action: 12/23/2015 County Board Adopted: 12/17/2015</p>	<p>https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2522921&GUID=37C3F2AF-0DA4-4C2D-B724-BDF9B43523C3&Options=ID Text &Search=15-754</p>	<p>County Board amended Administration's request to contract with State by adding language: WHEREAS, a portion of the Youth Aids funding is used to reimburse the State for Milwaukee County juveniles that reside in the State juvenile detention centers; Lincoln Hills School for Boys or Cooper Lake School (for girls); and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors expresses its concern about the placement of any Milwaukee County youth at Lincoln Hills School for Boys or Copper Lake School (for girls); and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board respectfully requests that Milwaukee County Judges refrain from sending Milwaukee County youth to either detention center until all concerns and safety issues are resolved; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board calls upon the Governor of Wisconsin and the Milwaukee County Executive to work with the judiciary to find appropriate secure placements for Milwaukee County's adjudicated youths in a safe environment closer to home; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is requested to furnish a copy of this resolution to the Governor of Wisconsin.</p> <p>WHEREAS, recent news reports indicate an ongoing John Doe probe is investigating a number of potential crimes at Lincoln Hills School for Boys, including physical abuse of a child, second-degree sexual assault, and victim and witness intimidation; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there is also a report of an attempted suicide by a girl residing at Copper Lake School; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, these reports raise grave concerns about the health, welfare, and safety of Milwaukee County youth residing in these State-run facilities; and</p>