

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: April 24, 2012

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman - Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Héctor Colón, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
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SUBJECT: **Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to accept grant revenue totaling \$53,088 from the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance to support programs administered by the Delinquency and Court Services Division**

Issue

In accordance with section 56.06 of the County Ordinances, the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting authorization to accept grant revenue from the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) to support programs administered by the Delinquency and Court Services Division (DCSD).

Discussion

In 2011, DCSD applied for a Disproportionate Minority Contact program grant. On December 16, 2011, DHHS received notification from the State Office of Justice Assistance that DCSD was awarded the grant in the amount of \$53,088. The funds are awarded through the US Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. There is no local funding match requirement associated with this grant revenue. The WI Office of Justice Assistance must approve of the use of all funds.

DHHS is also submitting a fund transfer related to this grant for \$53,088 for consideration by the County Board this cycle. This fund transfer recognizes grant revenue and establishes corresponding 2012 expenditure authority. All expenditures must be incurred by September 30, 2012.

These funds support the Division's collaborative FOCUS program by offering expanded reach-in and re-entry support services to assist in transitioning youth. Services are provided by the Boys and Girls Club.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the County Board of Supervisors authorize the Director, DHHS, or his designee, to accept grant funds in the amount of \$53,088 associated with the Disproportionate Minority Contact Program Grant funds from the State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance.

Fiscal Impact

Approval of this request has no tax levy impact. A fiscal note is attached and a fund transfer has been submitted for consideration.



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