

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

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To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chair, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County House of Correction (HOC)

Subject: 2023 Employ Milwaukee Reentry Contract Extension

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POLICY

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BACKGROUND

The current contract with Employ Milwaukee, Inc. (EM) to provide Reentry Case Manager services expires on December 31, 2022.

The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (Board) accepted a four-year grant in Adopted File No. 18-131 and approved a one-year contract with four one-year extensions depending on grant funding. Employ Milwaukee was written into the initial grant proposal. Grant funding was subsequently extended to a fifth year, and final reports were submitted in the second quarter in 2022.

The grant has ended, and the House of Correction would like to continue to provide these reentry services. Since Request for Proposals (RFP) typically require 3-6 months or longer to award, the House of Correction is requesting a one-year extension that will maintain the current 30-day termination clause. This clause allows for exit of the contract based on the results of a new RFP and contract award. Employ Milwaukee is amenable to this extension using existing contract language, including the 30-day termination. The Department of Administrative Services agrees this extension will allow the County to issue an RFP that will provide the County with services that align with best practices and the current needs of the population served.

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent of the House of Correction respectfully submits this action item to request the authority to enter a one-year contract extension with Employ Milwaukee,

Inc. to provide reentry case manager services to the House of Correction.

FISCAL EFFECT

If a contract extension is approved, it is estimated to cost the County \$80,000. A fiscal note form is attached.

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