

RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Sheriff Troy Knudson
INITIATED BY



Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety & Justice
Committee, Finance Committee
SUBMITTED BY

June 25, 2019
DATE DRAFTED

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF JAG CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT) TRAINING
(2015) GRANT AND AMENDING THE 2019 BUDGET

1 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Department of Justice, through funding by the Edward Byrne Memorial
2 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, solicited applications from local law enforcement agencies,
3 non-profit organizations on behalf of a county and technical colleges, to assist in training law
4 enforcement personnel in CIT; and,
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6 **WHEREAS**, CIT is a 40-hour training program for law enforcement officers that includes basic
7 information about mental illnesses and how to recognize them; information about the local mental
8 health system and local laws; learning first hand from consumers and family members about their
9 experiences; verbal de-escalation training, and role plays; and,
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11 **WHEREAS**, in May 2019, Rock County, in collaboration with the Janesville Police Department, Beloit
12 Police Department, Town of Beloit Police Department, Milton Police Department, Evansville Police
13 Department, Orfordville Police Department, Edgerton Police Department, and Clinton Police Department
14 submitted an application for a grant to provide CIT training to officers from the aforementioned law
15 enforcement agencies; and,
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17 **WHEREAS**, Rock County's application was approved in the amount of \$20,000, with no match
18 requirement; and,
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20 **WHEREAS**, this grant, must be used by September 30, 2019; and,
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22 **WHEREAS**, Rock County will work with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Rock
23 County to provide the CIT training for the nine Rock County law enforcement jurisdictions committed
24 to this CIT training; and,
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26 **WHEREAS**, this grant will be managed fiscally by the Rock County Sheriff's Office and
27 programmatically by the Rock County Administrator's Office; and,
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29 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
30 this 14th day of July, 2019, does hereby accept the JAG CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM
31 (CIT) TRAINING (2015) GRANT in the amount of \$20,000 from the Wisconsin Department of Justice.
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33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2019 Rock County Sheriff's Office budget be amended as
34 follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget at</u> <u>6/25/19</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
21-2165-2015-42200			
State Aid	0	\$20,000	\$20,000
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
21-2165-2015-63110			
Administration Expense	0	\$20,000	\$20,000

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44 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chair of the Rock County Board of Supervisors is authorized
45 to sign contracts/MOUs with local law enforcement agencies/jurisdictions for the payment of overtime or
46 backfill for officers to attend CIT training in an amount not to exceed the grant award.

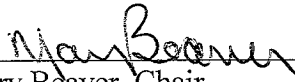
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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE



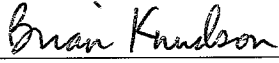
Mary Beaver, Chair




Kara Hawes



Philip Owens, Vice-Chair

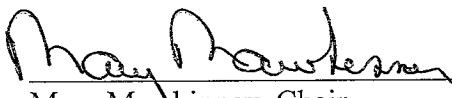


Brian Knudson



Terry Fell

FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT
Reviewed and approved on a vote of 5-0.



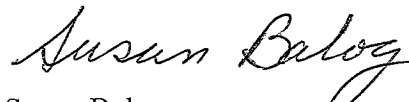
Mary Mawhinney, Chair

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Date

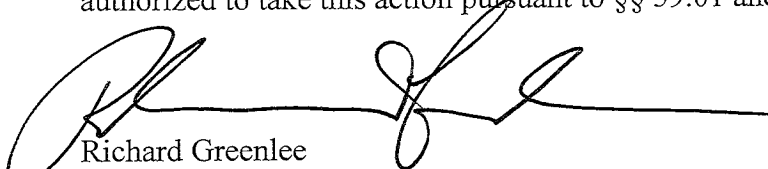
FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of \$20,000 in State Aid for Rock County Sheriff's Office. No County matching funds are required.

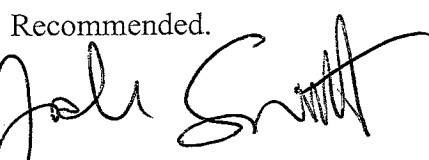

Susan Balog
Assistant Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2019 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats. The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.


Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Executive Summary

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF JAG CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT) TRAINING (2015) GRANT AND AMENDING THE 2019 BUDGET

The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ), using funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, solicited applications from local law enforcement agencies, to assist in training law enforcement personnel in CIT. CIT is a 40-hour training program for law enforcement officers that includes basic information about mental illnesses and how to recognize them; information about the local mental health system and local laws; learning first hand from consumers and family members about their experiences; verbal de-escalation training, and role plays. The benefits of CIT training include:

- Reduced injuries to public, consumers, and officers
- Reduction in repeat contacts with the mental health consumers
- Reduction of criminalization of those persons with mental illness that come in contact with the criminal justice system
- Enhanced working relationships with the mental health care providers in the community
- Increased involvement of the families and friends of the mental health consumers
- Reduction in civil commitments through diversion to safe and less restrictive settings
- Reduction in the costs of overall services through better utilization of said services and diversion to less costly services

After inviting all law enforcement agencies in the County to participate in CIT training, nine agencies decided to pursue a CIT grant in 2019. The Rock County Sheriff's Office, Janesville Police Department, Beloit Police Department, Town of Beloit Police Department, Milton Police Department, Evansville Police Department, Orfordville Police Department, Edgerton Police Department, and Clinton Police Department, applied for and received DOJ grant funding in 2019 for CIT training.

In June 2019, Rock County was notified that its grant application to provide CIT training was successful in the amount of \$20,000. In order to provide the training, Rock County will partner with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Rock County. NAMI Rock County has the experience and capacity to provide this training to Rock County law enforcement officers.

There is no match requirement for the grant and the funds must be used by September 30, 2019.