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CONSIDERATION OF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$119,000 FOR TITLE II FUNDING FOR THE INTENSIVE SITE ENGAGEMENT PHASE II - DISPROPORTIONATE MINORITY CONTACT.

Presented by: Steve Stonehouse, Deputy Director of Juvenile Services.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant and establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this Request.

Grant Renewal: No

Never Applied: Yes

Applied; not awarded: No

Grant Summary and Timeline:

In 2008, the Sedgwick County Division of Corrections (SCDOC) was awarded a Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) grant from the MacArthur Foundation and began working as a member of the DMC Action Network with Phase I technical assistance provided by the Burns Institute (BI). BI provided SCDOC with a comprehensive assessment including data collection from each point along the Juvenile Justice Continuum and guidance in areas that needed improvement related to DMC.

Title II funding is available to acquire Phase II Intensive Site Engagement (ISE) technical assistance from the BI and systematically address the recommendations of their phase II assessment. The process of moving Sedgwick County forward mandates the need for expert technical assistance in the area of DMC and the ability to facilitate community engagement initiative that foster increased levels of understanding, investment and process change for those community leaders who are new to the DMC reform efforts. The Sedgwick County Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (Team Justice) submitted a letter of support for the grant application on April 7, 2017 and stressed the importance of moving from phase I to phase II in Sedgwick County.

Funds are being requested to aid in the cost of a database upgrade currently being requested by the Division during 2018 Budget Development. If the decision package is not included in the 2018 Adopted Budget the funds will be returned to the state. The grant application is due to the Kansas Department of Corrections - Juvenile Services on April 24, 2017, with signed documents being due by May 8, 2017.

Financial Considerations:

Grant period starts: July 1, 2017

Grant period ends: June 30, 2018

Source of funding

Grant: \$119,000

Required Match: \$0

Required Cash Match: \$0

Required In-Kind Match: \$19,497

Other funding: \$0

TOTAL SOURCES: \$138,497

Uses of funding (Note: Include any Required Matches in your totals)

Operational costs: \$0

33028-110) Personnel: \$19,497 (in-kind match) (Provided by 2 existing staff in Cost Center

Contractual services: \$69,000

Operational supplies: \$50,000

Equipment: \$0

Indirect administrative costs: \$0

Capital projects cost: \$0

TOTAL USES: \$138,497

If approved, budget authority should be authorized, and any budget authority remaining at the end of 2017 should be authorized for establishment in 2018.

Budget Authority Adjustment: A new internal order and cost center will be created to manage these funds. Budget authority is reflected in the attached grant budget form.

Personnel considerations: None.

Expected measurable outcomes:

Goal 1 - Sedgwick County stakeholders seek to advance recommendations of the BI ISE assessment through the development and implementation of a locally developed strategic plan.

Objective 1- Convene Sedgwick County stakeholders to participate in ISE meetings during the project timeline.

Objective 2- Sedgwick County stakeholders shall develop a strategic plan to accommodate the BI ISE Phase II assessment recommendations on or before June 30, 2018.

Objective 3- Sedgwick County stakeholders shall purchase a new data collection system to improve DMC data collection and reporting.

Goal 2- Improve Sedgwick County's capacity to effectively reduce the disproportionality of minority youth being arrested for serious and violent offenses and reducing their length of stay in detention as compared to their non-minority peers.

Objective 1- Sedgwick County stakeholders shall develop a plan to address all recommendations that are identified by the BI ISE Phase II assessment by June 30, 2018.

Objective 2- Sedgwick County stakeholders shall develop an ongoing action plan to continue the work of the ISE project, on or before June 30, 2018.

Objective 3 - Sedgwick County stakeholders shall develop an ongoing action plan to improve the use of DMC data collection and reduce racial and ethnic disparity in service delivery for youth along the juvenile justice continuum by June 30, 2018.

Requirements from Sedgwick County: Provide in-kind services to coordinate with BI and stakeholders for meetings, track grant reports and provide technical support.

Alternatives: If we do not submit a funding application for approval, we will not be able to receive these funds.

Policy considerations: None.

Legal considerations: The authority for this action is K.S.A. 19-101. A simple majority vote is required.