



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC013 recognizing \$246,000 in grant funding from the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) through the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP) for the Initiative to Build Bridges to Increase Access to Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Options in the Nation’s Jails Project for the Durham County Sheriff’s Office.

Background/Justification

The Durham County Sheriff’s Office was the first detention center in North Carolina to provide Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT) for detainees suffering from Opioid Use Disorders (OUD). The first phase continued treatment for detainees who were already receiving medication for OUD. The second phase (Induction) started treatment for detainees that qualified to receive treatment for the first time. The Board is also requested to authorize the County Manager to sign the agreement.

This funding opportunity will support projects to increase access to MAT in jails and the capacity of local communities to collaborate across public safety, behavioral health, and public health to continue care in the community. The Sheriff’s Office was selected as a Building Bridges site in February of 2020. These funds will expand the Sheriff’s Medication Assisted Restorative and Treatment Program (SMART) at the Detention Center.

Policy Impact

This funding opportunity will expand the MAT program at the Durham County Detention Center. It will also provide training and linkage to care upon release from detention.

Procurement Background

The term of this Agreement is from June 1, 2024, to July 31, 2025, for both the project performance and the budget.

Fiscal Impact

This is a reimbursement grant that doesn’t require a match from the County.

Recommendation

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