

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-81

**RESOLUTION BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF YOUTH JUSTICE INNOVATION GRANT
FROM THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the Human Services Department is authorized to apply for and to accept a Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) Grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 to create the Credible Messenger Program for the period of August 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the fiscal note marked as Exhibit "A," that is attached hereto, is authorized and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any two of the County Clerk, the County Executive and/or the County Board Chairman are authorized to execute any contracts, agreements or other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

1st Reading _____

**HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

2nd Reading _____

Scott Maier

Adopted _____

For _____

Against _____

Absent _____

Kay Buske, Vice-Chairman

Robert N. Miller, Secretary

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 M.E.

Prepared by:
Corporation Counsel

Brett A. Nielsen

Donald Trottier

Eric C. Hillery

3 The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of
4 Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

5 Approved: _____

6 Vetoed: _____

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8 Date: _____,

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11 Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive

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13 **INFORMATION ONLY**

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15 **WHEREAS**, The Racine County Human Services Department has been awarded
16 a \$250,000 Youth Justice Innovation grant from the Wisconsin Department of Children
17 and Families (DCF); and

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19 **WHEREAS**, HSD is proposing to use these funds to create the Credible
20 Messenger Program, for the period of August 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, the ability of youth to engage in and connect with community
23 supports, which help to build social capital and support economic and social-emotional
24 stability, is minimized if those presenting the message are not perceived to be credible;
25 and

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27 **WHEREAS**, credibility lies in the ability to create a relationship based on
28 similarities, an understanding of where youth come from, an understanding of
29 involvement with the justice system that youth can appreciate, and the ability of the
30 messenger to communicate with the youth; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, the Credible Messenger program partners with the youth, families
33 and the case manager to serve as a guide, mediator and mentor, and assist youth in
34 becoming capable of functioning within the community without further involvement in the
35 justice system, support the youth's well-being, help youth to change or break
36 generational cycles, and alter challenging life circumstances; and

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38 **WHEREAS**, specifically, the target population for this project includes youth
39 residing in specific geographical areas within Racine County who are serviced by the
40 Racine Unified School District (RUSD) and concurrently involved in the Youth Justice
41 System.

EXHIBIT "A"

Fiscal Year: **2018**

ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NUMBER	CURRENT BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE	TRANSFER	BUDGET AFTER TRANSFER	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFER
HUMAN SERVICES						
Youth Justice Innovation Revenue	4205300.301500	(115,479)	(115,479)	(250,000)	(365,479)	(365,479)
	TOTAL SOURCES			(250,000)		
HUMAN SERVICES						
Youth Justice Innovation Contract Svc	4205300.404500	533,032	533,032	250,000	783,032	783,032
	TOTAL USES			250,000		
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NOTE: Since the award period for this grant runs from 8/1/2018 to 12/31/2019, any unused funds in this project at the end of 2018 will be carried forward into 2019.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

After reviewing the Resolution/Ordinance and fiscal information supplied, your Finance Committee recommends FOR--AGAINST adoption.

REASONS

FOR	AGAINST