

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-90

RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES GRANT FOR JAIL OPIOID ABATEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000 AND TRANSFER WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2024 BUDGET

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept a Wisconsin Department Health Services grant in the amount of \$400,000 for a period of April 4, 2024, to March 31, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the transfer of funds as set forth in Exhibit "A," that is attached hereto, within the Sheriff's Office 2024 Budget is authorized and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

1st Reading \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2nd Reading \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD ACTION

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Donald J. Trottier, Chairman

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

For \_\_\_\_\_

Against \_\_\_\_\_

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert N. Miller, Vice-Chairman

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 M.E.

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John A. Wisch, Secretary

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

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_,

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Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive

4 **INFORMATION ONLY**  
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6 **WHEREAS**, the Jail Division of the Racine County Sheriff's Office recently submitted an  
7 application for grant funding to develop and maintain the infrastructure needed within the  
8 Racine County Jail to provide medication-assisted treatment (MAT) to inmates with opioid use  
9 disorders; and  
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11 **WHEREAS**, the needs assessment revealed that Racine County ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in the state  
12 of Wisconsin for high substance use disorder intervention needs and Racine County continues  
13 to struggle with opioid use; and  
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15 **WHEREAS**, The Racine County's Sheriff's Office briefly attempted to expand opioid  
16 MAT in the Jail by administering MAT prior to the time of release from the facility, but this  
17 change resulted in such a significant increase in utilization, that the staff were unable to  
18 continue due to staffing and budgetary issues; and  
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20 **WHEREAS**, this grant, which was awarded by the State to Racine County in the  
21 amount of \$400,000, will allow for individuals to be administered MAT services throughout  
22 their stay in the facility and increase the likelihood of sustained abstinence and recovery upon  
23 release; and  
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25 **WHEREAS**, residents will be afforded access to continued methadone treatment  
26 provided by a local opioid treatment program, the Racine Comprehensive Treatment Center;  
27 and  
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29 **WHEREAS**, the Racine County Jail licensed prescribers will administer naltrexone and  
30 buprenorphine on-site in the Racine County Jail as well as counseling and peer specialist  
31 support while incarcerated; and  
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33 **WHEREAS**, the grant will also expand discharge planning to ensure linkage to  
34 community providers and upon release from the Jail, the individuals are connected to peer  
35 specialists with Behavioral Health Services of Racine County; and  
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37 **WHEREAS**, it is projected that the Racine County Jail will continue to see a  
38 significant increase in participation in MAT services as substance abuse increases in  
39 our community; and  
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41 **WHEREAS**, as opioid use disorders have increased throughout the nation, the  
42 federal government is moving in the direction of MAT as best practice in a correctional  
43 setting; and  
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45 **WHEREAS**, by accepting this grant funding, the Racine County Jail will be in a  
46 strong position to help address this growing epidemic that has touched so many lives  
47 across our county.

ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NUMBER	CURRENT BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE	TRANSFER	BUDGET AFTER TRANSFER	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFER
<b>SHERIFF'S OFFICE - JAIL GRANTS</b>						
WI Dept of Health Services Revenue	11896000.304245.new project	0	0	(400,000)	(400,000)	(400,000)
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>				<u>(400,000)</u>		
<b>SHERIFF'S OFFICE - JAIL GRANTS</b>						
Medical Services	11896000.407000.new project	0	0	100,000	100,000	100,000
Medical Supplies	11896000.447000.new project	0	0	300,000	300,000	300,000
<b>TOTAL USES</b>				<u>400,000</u>		
				<u><u>0</u></u>		

**NOTE: The grant period is 04/01/2024 - 03/31/2025 and may be extended if additional state funds are available**

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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

REASONS

FOR	AGAINST