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Justice System Improvement
Treatment Alternatives and Diversion
2009

Grant Announcement

**Applications must be submitted through
Egrants on or before September 24, 2008**



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Online Help is available throughout the Egrants application process. Once you have started an application, look for the HELP button in the top right corner of the screen. Page-specific instructions can be found there.

Grant Announcement Summary

Program Area: Justice System Improvement

Grant Title: Treatment Alternatives and Diversion - 2009

Description: This program will continue for a third year on projects initially supported through 2005 Wisconsin Act 25 to develop treatment and diversion alternatives to jail and prison sentences for non-violent offenders with assessed drug and alcohol problems. Administration and operation of this program is a joint effort involving the Office of Justice Assistance, the Department of Corrections and the Department of Health Services.

Opportunity Category: Non-Competitive

Important Dates:

September, 24, 2008: Applications must be submitted through Egrants on or before this date.

January 1, 2009: Earliest starting date for proposed projects.

September 15, 2009: Applications due for possible 4th year funding.

December 31, 2009: End of funding period and begin project closeout.

March 31, 2010: Project closeout completed

Anticipated Funding Amount: \$747,450 is available to support five grant awards involving six previously funded counties.

Eligibility: Applications will only be accepted from the following counties Burnett and Washburn (combined application) Dane, Rock, Washington and Wood.

Match/Cost Sharing Requirement: None

Eligible Expenses: All expenses must be new or continuing from the previously supported project and cannot replace existing government funding. Funding may be used for personnel and fringe benefits, travel and training, consultants and contracts, supplies and operating expenses and equipment purchases directly related to project operations. Funds may not be used for purposes not related to the program defined by law or not covered by the approved application and budget. Funds may not be used for land purchases, construction or lobbying.

Treatment Alternatives and Diversion - 2009

The Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) provides financial and technical assistance to public safety, first response and emergency management agencies throughout the state. As the State Administering Authority for state and federal criminal justice and homeland security grant funds, OJA is responsible for establishing funding priorities, developing application criteria, awarding and disseminating grants, and assessing project achievements. This grant announcement provides information about a specific grant opportunity and instructions to help those eligible apply for a share of the available funds.

Program Description

The Treatment Alternatives and Diversion program (TAD) was established in 2005 Wisconsin Act 25 and aims to support programs that provide treatment and diversion programs for non-violent offenders for whom substance abuse was a contributing factor of their criminal activity. The original five grant awards involving six counties were chosen by an Advisory Committee from 22 applications.

Program eligibility is specifically addressed in Act 25 and establishes the following program requirements:

1. The county's program is designed to meet the needs of a person who abuses alcohol or other drugs and who may be or has been charged with or who has been convicted of a crime in that county related to the person's use or abuse of alcohol or other drugs.
2. The program is designed to promote public safety, reduce prison and jail populations, reduce prosecution and incarceration costs, reduce recidivism, and improve the welfare of participants' families by meeting the comprehensive needs of participants.
3. The program establishes eligibility criteria for a person's participation. The criteria shall specify that a violent offender is not eligible to participate in the program.
4. Services provided under the program are consistent with evidence based practices in substance abuse and mental health treatment, as determined by the Department of Health Services, and the program provides intensive case management.
5. The program uses graduated sanctions and incentives to promote successful substance abuse treatment.
6. The program provides holistic treatment to its participants and provides them services that may be needed, as determined under the program, to eliminate or reduce their use of alcohol or other drugs, improve their mental health, facilitate their gainful employment or enhanced education or training, provide them stable housing, facilitate family reunification, ensure payment of child support, and increase the payment of other court-ordered obligations.
7. The program is designed to integrate all mental health services provided to program participants by state and local government agencies and other organizations. The program shall require regular communication among a participant's substance abuse treatment providers, other service providers, the case manager, and any person designated under the program to monitor the person's compliance with his or her obligations under the program and any probation, extended supervision, and parole agent assigned to the participant.

8. The program provides substance abuse and mental health treatment services through providers that are certified by the Department of Health Services.

9. The program requires participants to pay a reasonable amount for their treatment, based on their income and available assets, and pursues and uses all possible resources available through insurance and federal, state, and local aid programs, including cash, vouchers, and direct services.

10. The program is developed with input from, and implemented in collaboration with, one or more circuit court judges, the district attorney, the state public defender, local law enforcement officials, county agencies responsible for providing social services, including services relating to alcohol and other drug addiction, child welfare, mental health, and the Wisconsin Works program, the departments of corrections and health and family services, private social services agencies, and substance abuse treatment providers.

11. The county complies with other eligibility requirements established by the office to promote the objectives listed in subds. 1. and 2.

- (a) In implementing a program that meets the requirements of par. (c), a county department may contract with or award grants to a religious organization under s. 59.54 (27).
- (b) A county that receives a grant under this subsection shall create an oversight committee to advise the county in administering and evaluating its program. Each committee shall consist of a circuit court judge, the district attorney or his or her designee, the state public defender or his or her designee, a local law enforcement official, a representative of the county, a representative of each other county agency responsible for providing social services, including services relating to child welfare, mental health, and the Wisconsin Works program, representatives of the departments of corrections and health and family services, a representative from private social services agencies, a representative of substance abuse treatment providers, and other members to be determined by the county.

12. A county that receives a grant under this subsection shall comply with state audits and shall submit an annual report to the office and to the oversight committee created under subd. 1. regarding the impact of the program on jail and prison populations and its progress in attaining the goals specified in par. (c) 2. and 6.

Award Information

Funded projects will begin on January 1, 2009 and expire on December 31, 2009. All project funds are expected to be expended within the project period. However, the Office of Justice Assistance may approve a grant extension for unused funds and adjust any subsequent award to reflect funds carried forward. Applications will only be accepted from those counties determined to be eligible and invited to apply. Grant expenditures will be reimbursed when spending is documented and submitted to OJA. There is no match required.

Eligibility

Applications will only be accepted from the following counties Burnett and Washburn (combined application) Dane, Rock, Washington and Wood.

Submit Applications via Egrants

Applications must be submitted through the OJA Egrants online grants management system. If you have never used Egrants before, you will need to register online at www.oja.wi.gov to receive access to the

system. This can take several business days so please register at least 3 business days before the application due date.

Once your Egrants account has been approved, you may begin your online grant application. An Egrants Application Guide is posted on the OJA website (Apply for a Grant page). If you have any problems using Egrants, please contact our help desk at OJAEgrants@wi.gov or call us at (608) 267-9068 or toll free at (888) 894-6607 any weekday between 8am and 4:30pm.

Application Components

Through Egrants, you will provide OJA with detailed information about your project that will be used to make funding decisions. Questions on what is expected in each section can be directed to *Ray Luick (608) 266-7282* or at Ray.Luick@wi.gov.

1. Main Summary

This is the first page you will complete in your online application. Please note: when identifying individuals involved in this grant, you may not list the same person as Project Director and Financial Officer. The Financial Officer is the individual responsible for financial activities in your organization while the Project Director will be overseeing project operations.

2. Budget Detail

Please complete the budget detail worksheet reflecting the following categories/line items.

Personnel: Salary for non-contract grant-funded employees (includes overtime).

Employee Benefits: Fringe benefits for grant-funded personnel including items like FICA, Unemployment Compensation, Health Insurance, etc.

Travel/Training: Any travel and/or training costs associated with the funded project.
Examples: Mileage Reimbursement, Lodging, Airfare, Meals

Equipment: Tangible non-expendable personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit.

Supplies and Other Operating Expenses: Consumables such as paper, stationary, postage, software and equipment with an acquisition cost of less than \$5,000 per unit.

Consultants/Contractual: Consultants are individuals who provide professional advice or services. Contracts are entered into by recipients. With the exception of a few justified sole source situations, contracts are awarded via competitive processes to procure a good or service.
Examples: Consultant, Trainer

Other: Items that don't fit into specific categories.

3. Approval Checklist

Answer Yes or No to each question.

4. Performance Measures

Please open this section and change the page status to "complete." Performance measures will be identified and collected during post award reporting rather than through this funding application process.

5. Project Narrative

Please provide a narrative description of your project and how it addresses the problems described in the Problem Statement Section.

6. Project Development and Impact To Date

This is the most significant element of this application. Each project has completed a significant period of operations and, based on ongoing contact and participation with the evaluation partner, is expected to have significant information to convey based on the initial funding period. Please include a succinct statement of that impact providing a summary of clients served and services provided, problems encountered, and early successes noted. Note that anecdotal information and narrative stories are acceptable either as a part of this section or as a separate attachment to this document.

7. Problem Description

Clearly and concisely identify and define the problems experienced in your county with respect to alcohol and other drug use leading to non-violent behavior and the impact of that behavior on the operations and cost of the criminal justice system.

8. Implementation Plan

Please describe the project's implementation plan for the third year of operation. List the tasks and strategies that will be completed in order to meet the stated goals and objectives.

9. Goals and Objectives

Please identify the goals and objectives of this project being sure to include the two primary goals established in statute; Reduce recidivism rates for nonviolent offenders in the program and increase public safety and, Reduce prison and jail populations by diverting non-violent offenders to community-based interventions.

10. Budget Narrative

Please describe each budget item and its relation to the overall strategy or implementation plan. Include the basis for each computation for each budget item.

Application Review and Award Criteria

Proposals submitted by eligible applicants by the due date will be reviewed by the program partner agencies and in conjunction with the evaluation partner. Applications that reflect ongoing progress in meeting the organizational and operational requirements of the program and the first year application, and are supported by monitor reports and data submissions, will be recommended for approval to the Executive Director of the Office of Justice Assistance. The Executive Director will consult with the Departments of Corrections and Health and Human Services in making the final grant awards. Applications are due on or before September 24, 2008 and grant awards are expected to be made by October 9, 2008.

Additional Resources

Office of Justice Assistance website: <http://www.oja.wi.gov>

Help with Egrants: A [User Guide](#) is posted on the Apply for a Grant page of our website.

Substance Abuse Treatment for Adults in the Criminal Justice System TIP 44-

<http://www.nicic.org/Library/021063>

Substance Abuse Treatment for Persons with Co-Occurring Disorders TIP 42-

<http://media.shs.net/prevline/pdfs/bkd515.pdf>

HFS – Community Substance Abuse Service Standards –

<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/code/hfs/hfs061.pdf>

Implementing Evidence-Based Practices I Corrections; Using an Integrated Model to Implement
Evidence-Based Practices in Corrections – <http://nicic.org/Library/019342>