

Buffalo County Resolution



Drafted By:

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Presented Month/Year:

June, 2019

Involved Committees:

DHHS & Veterans Services
Human Resources
Finance

County Department:

DHHS

Fiscal Impact: YES / NO

CA Approved: YES / NO

RESOLUTION # 19-06-01

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A FULL-TIME COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CHILDREN'S LONG TERM SUPPORT SOCIAL WORKER POSITION

WHEREAS, in 2014 the Buffalo County Board passed a resolution to join the Western Region Recovery and Wellness Consortium (RWC), and

WHEREAS, as a part of RWC's Core Services Project, Buffalo County has committed to provide new and expanded mental health and substance abuse services including Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) and Crisis Services; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) contracts with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) to provide Children's Long Term Care Services (CLTS) for children with physical, developmental and emotional disability related needs; and

WHEREAS, DHS has indicated waiting lists are not allowed for CCS and CLTS programs and has recently sanctioned the RWC for delays in processing consumers referred for CCS; and

WHEREAS, current capacity is insufficient for meeting increased mental health and substance abuse needs and CLTS Waiver needs of Buffalo County; and

WHEREAS, Buffalo County DHHS receives sufficient client referrals to support an ongoing full time social worker position; and

WHEREAS, once trained, positions dedicated to CCS and CLTS case management services have been shown to generate Medical Assistance reimbursement to pay for the position salary and benefit costs once the reconciliation process is completed; and

WHEREAS, while Buffalo County DHHS had planned to request adding a CCS/CLTS social worker position as part of 2020 budget planning, Wisconsin DHS has recently offered to award an additional \$11,175 Community Mental Health Services Block Grant Supplemental (CMHBG) funds to Buffalo County for Federal Fiscal Years 2019 and 2020; and

WHEREAS, Buffalo DHHS has applied for CMHBG funds for the purpose of hiring a CCS/CLTS Social Worker position on or about November 1, 2019 in order for the individual in this position to be prepared to provide Medical Assistance billable case management services in 2020 and future years; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors hereby grants authorization to create and fill the full time Social Worker position by November 1, 2019, to provide CCS and CLTS and related mental health services.

Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 24th day of June, 2019.

Benjamin M. Halverson
County Clerk

ATTEST:

Mary Anne McMillan Urell
County Board Chairperson

Respectfully Submitted:

DHHS Committee

Human Resources Committee

Finance Committee

Absent
John B. Kriesel, Chair

Larry Grisen
Larry Grisen, Chair

Donald A. Hillert
Donald A. Hillert, Chair

Linda Smith
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Bernard J. Brunkow
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David Danzinger
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Nettie Rosenow
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Nathan Nelson
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Harry Schreiner
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Michael L. Taylor
Michael L. Taylor

Mary Anne McMillan Urell
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Wendy Kleinschmidt
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Donald A. Hillert
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Larry Grisen
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Excused
Richard Mueller

Joette Gillett
Joette Gillett

ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

2019

Salary, Equipment & Fringes \$14,529.94
State/Federal Revenue \$14,529.94
Tax Levy \$0

2020

Salary and Fringes ~~\$61,994.78~~ ^{77,456.27}
State/Federal Revenue ~~\$83,461.98~~ ^{95,000.00}
Tax Levy (Net Reduction) ~~-\$21,467.20~~
- \$17,543.73