



AGENDA ITEM

Consent Agenda

REPORT TO: Work Session (03/24/25)

REPORT TO: Voting Meeting (03/27/25)

ITEM NO: 148/2025

SUBJECT: Approve the ratification of the application for the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council's (CJCC) FY 2026 Accountability Court Funding Program for the Drug Court for staffing, technical and professional services, supplies, and training in the amount of \$911,074.00, and if awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. An in-kind match of \$160,778.00 is required.

Meetings:

Work Session Date: 03/24/25

Voting Meeting Date: 03/27/25

Executive Summary:

Presenter: HH

Recommendation:
Approve.

Purpose of Request:

History:

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Treatment Services is the agency umbrella encompassing all accountability court programs in our circuit. This allows for sharing of resources across programs and greatly increases our ability to provide services. Hall County funds the Coordinator, Lead Counselor, Counselor, and Case Manager positions under the General Fund budget making the program a permanent fixture. Program participants are charged a monthly fee of \$150 to help offset some operational costs. The Treatment Services budget is made up of County General Fund, DATE Funds, participant fees, drug testing lab revenue, evaluations revenue, and grant awards. When federal funding ends, we are hopeful that County Commissioners will absorb the grant-funded positions and benefits under the General Fund budget. Additional assistance comes from Friends of Recovery, a nonprofit organization formed in 2006 to support Hall County's accountability court programs. Drug Court is the largest program in our county serving nearly 200 participants across four tracks designed to address specific criminogenic and treatment needs and is under the direction of three judges. This program provides nearly 3,000 hours of direct treatment annually which does not include individual or case management services which could easily add an additional 1,000 hours.

Facts and Issues:

Drug Court is one of five accountability court programs in Hall County. Along with Substance Abuse Services (evaluations and referrals program) and the Drug Testing Lab, the programs are organized under one agency umbrella called Treatment Services. This allows for the sharing of resources such as office space, drug testing services, community policing efforts, and personnel. We do not have individual program budgets. Rather, the Treatment Services budget is made up of participant fees, fees from our evaluations and referrals program, revenue from the lab, DATE funds, grants, and the County's General Fund. In the Hall County office, we have 40 employees and serve approximately 600 participants. Between regular office hours, in-house counseling groups for Drug Court, HELP Program, Family Treatment Court, drug testing services for the courts and our customers, etc., we operate 7 days a week. Our drug testing lab conducts about 50,000 drug screens annually. We conduct on-going, onsite training for new and seasoned staff alike. We make all of this work together to provide efficient and effective programs for the participants we serve.

Options:

Staff salary and benefits will be used as in-kind match.

Funding Requested

\$ 160,778.00

Are funds within current budget?

Yes

Source of Funds

General Fund / Grant Fund

Does the action involve a Resolution, Ordinance, Contract, Agreement, etc.?

No

Has it been reviewed by the County Attorney?

Yes

Is there a deadline for this item?

Approvals:

Grants	Submit	Approve	Grants
PS	BW	JS	SG
Budget	Finance	Attorney	Administration
JM	TS	WLI	CR

Clerk
JR

Attachments:

- Financial Supplement
- FY26 Hall County Drug Court Application
- FY26 Hall County Drug Court Application



**HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT REPORT**

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Funds Requested: \$ 160,778.00

Request Budgeted: Yes

Proposed Source of Funding:

Budget Transfer Requested:

General Fund / Grant Fund

No

Funding Source Items:

Fiscal Year	Fund	Division	Account	Amount
2026	100-GENERAL FUND	2160-TREATMENT SERVICES	511100-SALARIES	\$160,778.00
2026	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	2161-DRUG COURT	511100-SALARIES	\$763,424.00
2026	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	2161-DRUG COURT	531100-GENERAL SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	\$96,626.00
2026	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	2161-DRUG COURT	523500-TRAVEL	\$2,064.00
2026	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	2161-DRUG COURT	334110-STATE€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-911,074.00
2026	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	2161-DRUG COURT	521000-PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$48,960.00

Budget Transfer Items:

Additional Information/Comments:

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