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Court Name	Judicial Circuit Court	Primary Program Accountability Court	Secondary Program Accountability Court	Courtlevel	Implementation Court
Hall County Mental Health Court	Northeastern	Adult Mental Health Court		Superior	

Total Requested Funds

Sources	Requested Funds	Matched Funds	Total Budget Amount
Personnel	395,016	87,007	482,023.47
Contract Services	32,643	0	32,643.00
Drug Testing Supplies	63,319	0	63,319.38
Other Costs	0	0	0.00
Equipment	0	0	0.00
Training and Travel	2,064	0	2,064.00
Transportation	0	0	0.00
Total CACJ funds	493,042	87,007	580,049.85

Budget Priority

Priority level	Budget Priority	Priority Reason
Personnel	First	The personnel positions we are asking for in this grant are vital to the continued operation of our program. Our existing clinical case manager and counselor positions help ensure the continued functioning of the program and future sustainability. Our counselors facilitate over 18 hours of group treatment per week which does not include individual therapy hours. The two lab technician positions are vital to all of the programs in our circuit to continue operation of our drug testing lab. With an ever-increasing annual census, these positions are vital to the success of our program and participants.
Contract Services	Second	Regular surveillance visits by our community policing officers is an integral part of program success and effectiveness. Treatment services shares a pool of officers who conduct home visits on a weekly basis for all programs in our county. We utilize the services of a mental health physician who assists participants with mental health medications across all programs for individuals who are incarcerated.
Drug Testing Supplies	Third	Treatment Services operates an in-house drug testing lab which serves all of the programs in our judicial circuit. We divide our funding request for reagents among all of the programs in our county to better utilize funding and sharing of resources. Continued funding to purchase reagents is vital to the operation of all programs as this ensures compliance with program rules and treatment effectiveness.
Training and Travel	Fourth	We require all staff to attend the annual CACJ Conference along with various other trainings throughout the year. Grant funding to cover travel expenses directly related to the CACJ Conference will allow us to ease the financial burden to team members and further incentivize attendance.
Equipment	Fifth	N/A - No request made in this category
Transportation	Sixth	N/A - No request made in this category
Other Costs	Seventh	N/A - No request made in this category

Current Fiscal Year Other Funding Sources

Other Sources	Total Funds	Funds Used	Annual Fundsource	No End Date

Byrne-JAG Funding	6500	Other			No	12/31/2025		
Community Service Boards	0							
Date Fund	18449	Drug Testing	Equipment	Travel Training	Treatment	Yes	1/1/2025	
Financial Donations	0							
Governors Office of Highway Safety	0							
Independent 501(c)3	500	Other			Yes	1/1/2025		
Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant	0							
Local Government (Municipal or County)	292062	Equipment	Evaluation	Office Supplies	Personnel	Treatment	Yes	1/1/2025
Competitive BJA Grant	0							
Participants Fees	59132	Drug Testing	Travel Training	Treatment		Yes	1/1/2025	
Private Foundation Grant	0							
Revenue from Lab	25903	Drug Testing	Travel Training	Other		Yes	1/1/2025	
SAMHSA	0							
All other non-CACJ Funds	37744	Treatment			No	12/31/2026		

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding Curent Fiscal Year Other Funding Sources.

Our current budget is generated from county funds, DATE funds, participant fees, lab revenue, and grant funding. Our local non-profit, Friends of Recovery (FOR), provides some financial assistance to our programs for such services as trainings, but financial donations have declined over the past calendar and fiscal years. In 2024, the HELP Program experienced a 21% increase in program census and is currently serving over 115 participants. Our census cap has increased by 33% in FY25 following the finalized restructure of the HELP Program which adds the "Co-Occurring Track." This increase requires greater funding and continued financial collaboration amongst all of our program budgets for optimal efficiency as an agency.

Next Fiscal Year Other Funding Sources

Other Sources	Total Funds	Funds Used	Annual Fundsource	No End Date	Status
Byrne-JAG Funding	0				
Community Service Boards	0				
Date Fund	20,475	Drug Testing Equipment Travel Training Treatment	Yes	1/1/2026	Pending
Financial Donations	0				
Governors Office of Highway Safety	0		No		Pending
Independent 501(c)3	500	Other	Yes	1/1/2026	Pending
Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant	0				
Local Government (Municipal or County)	310,955	Equipment Evaluation Office Supplies Personnel Treatment	Yes	1/1/2026	Pending
Competitive BJA Grant	0				
Participants Fees	62,969	Drug Testing Travel Training Treatment	Yes	1/1/2026	Pending
Private Foundation Grant	0				
Revenue from Lab	28,430	Drug Testing Travel Training Other	Yes	1/1/2026	Pending
SAMHSA	0				
All other non-CACJ Funds	21,344	Treatment Other	No	12/31/2026	Already Approved

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding Next Fiscal Year Other Funding Sources.

We anticipate a similar operating budget in FY26 compared to our approved FY25 budget. The FY26 budget has not yet been reviewed or approved by our Board of Commissioners so all figures are based on FY25 budgets. Treatment Services utilizes various revenue streams to generate an operating budget which is shared among all accountability court programs under our umbrella. Our current budget is generated from county funds, DATE funds, participant fees, lab revenue, and grant funding. By utilizing a combined operating budget, we are better able to share resources and increase services. For FY26, we will utilize ARPA funding to support some of our personnel positions for the agency and utilize Opioid Trust funds to support all agency MAT needs. We collect monthly participant fees at the rate of \$40/\$150 depending on HELP Program track to help offset operational costs. While these funds are helpful, they are not lucrative enough to sustain our program independently.

How many years of service does the coordinator position have as of July 1, 2025? Please, use 0 (zero) if the coordinator has less of one year of service

0

Will the certified court coordinator program be completed by July 1st of 2025?

No

Sustainability Plan

How would your program maintain operations in the event state funds were lost and your state grant were reduced or eliminated?

Last July, our agency successfully combined group treatment resources across multiple accountability courts to decrease redundancy in services. This allows for sharing of resources across programs and greatly increases our menu of services. 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 based on the over \$4 million economic impact of our programs on the Hall County community. Additional assistance comes from Friends of Recovery, a nonprofit organization that supports our accountability court programs. Program participants are charged monthly fees to help offset some operational costs.

How much funding have you requested from your county and how much have they approved?

Treatment Services requests funding annually to support salaries/fringe benefits, building maintenance costs, and operational costs. By sharing a combined operational budget, our agency is able to stretch funds further to provide needed services to participants and maintain staff necessary to operate the various programs. We consider program census to calculate overall percentage for each program's operational budget. No operating budget for FY26 has yet been approved by our local Board of Commissioners at the time of this application submission. We are hopeful to receive a similar budget as approved for FY25.

Have you experienced any barriers in obtaining local funds from the counties within your circuit? If so, what are they?

Date funds and lab revenue have historically been the largest contributors to our operational budget. We have made strides to increase lab revenue but have no control over local DATE fund collections as these are generated from legal cases which are not directly linked to our programs. Additionally, our local BOC has not been amendable to absorbing additional personnel positions at this time which is why continued grant funding is imperative.

Court Narrative

Please describe in detail how state grant funds are budgeted and this funding sources work together to create a comprehensive program.

We are requesting funding for 6 total personnel positions. All six are existing positions and currently filled. All positions are vital to the operations of our program and cannot be supported in the county's current budget. We are requesting funding for community policing, drug testing supplies and services, and training. Requested grant funds will support field surveillance visits conducted by off-duty Sheriff's Department officers. Funding will also assist in purchasing drug testing reagents for our in-house lab and costs associated with confirmation and specialty testing. We continue to share all resources across our entire agency to effectively manage costs. Treatment Services served nearly 900 participants in 2024, which is the largest amount to date. Based on statewide reporting, our circuit is the largest accountability court circuit in the state in terms of total participants served. We are currently serving the largest census of HELP Court participants in the history of the program.

If you are not using a CSB please explain why.

The majority of our treatment is conducted in-house by our staff which allows us to provide more comprehensive and individualized treatment schedules for program participants. We utilize our CSB for some therapeutic and peer services as well as psychiatric services (i.e. medication). Due to billing and financial barriers experienced by some of our participants when working with our CSB, we have been able to partner with a local treatment provider to offer some additional groups each week. These groups are shared with other programs and afford program participants more flexibility with their schedules which has proven to be very beneficial.

Please explain your court's current drug testing methods and why your court chose those methods.

We utilize our in-house lab which is shared among all accountability court programs in our circuit. We currently utilize Thermofisher reagents on our Mindray BA800 analyzer and test for the following assays: Amphetamine, Benzodiazepine, Cocaine, Heroin, Creatinine, THC, EtG, Methadone, Opiate, Fentanyl, Spice, and Tramadol. We have five lab technicians who work 40 hours each week for collections, analysis, and reporting of all tests. In 2024, we collected and analyzed over 49,300 urine drug screens for our programs, which appears to be 7% of all drug screens collected across the state of Georgia. Our lab is operational seven days per week with collections hours of 7 am - 6:30 pm on weekdays and 7 am - 12 pm on weekends/holidays. In addition to urine screens, we utilize sweat patch and oral fluid testing methods. We utilize Abbott/Redwood for all confirmation and specialty testing. We established our lab in 2007 and continue to find that it is the most efficient platform for drug testing, given our volume.

What Resources does your court share with other accountability court programs or agencies within your circuit

Drug Lab
Drug Tests
Surveillance Officer Time
Treatment providers
Office Space
Lab Technicians

If your court is requesting an increase of 10% or more than the total amount of state funds awarded in the fiscal year 2024

Request is not greater than 10%.

If your court has de-obligated state funds within the past two fiscal years, please explain the circumstances and the plan to prevent a de-obligation from occurring in the future.

Any past de-obligation was in response to personnel/staffing issues. While we make every effort to stay fully staffed, this situation is sometimes out of our control and vacancies or changes in pay rate/benefits from old to new staff is not something that can projected exactly. Since we are not allowed to move funds from Personnel to other areas in the grant, they are returned to CACJ if not utilized. We make concerted efforts to spend all funds as approved and awarded and will ensure that future grant funds are spent.

If your court received a note/comment from the CACJ Funding Committee on your fiscal year 2024 grant award, please describe how your court addressed the Committee's note/comment.

We received a note asking us to consider applying for MAT funds when they become available. We have secured MAT funds via the Opioid Trust and are not seeking MAT funds in any of our FY26 grant applications for the agency.

Please provide any additional information below.

N/A

Participants Fees

How much did your court collect in participant fees in the previous fiscal year?	Please explain why your court does or does not collect participant fees.	How do those fees support the operations of the court?
41855	Our program collects monthly participant's fees at the rate of \$40 for our SPMI Track and \$150 for our Co-occurring Track. We have found that this financial investment by participants helps foster more engagement in treatment and program requirements.	Participant fee collections for the HELP Program are utilized to help offset costs associated with drug testing. Our lab collected over 53,000 urine drug screens in 2024 and operates 7 days per week. The operational costs of our lab include supplies, personnel time, and contract officers to collect screens during morning/evening hours and weekend shifts. Participants fees directly contribute to funds needed for purchasing reagents, drug testing collection supplies, breathalyzers, and other materials needed for daily lab operation. While these funds are helpful, they are not lucrative enough to adequately sustain program operations.

Personnel Request

Are you requesting funds for personnel?

Yes

Position Title	Hourly Rate	Hours Per Week	Weeks Requested	New Position	Total Salary Requested
Counselor	27.23	40	52		56,638
Counselor	27.23	40	52		56,638
Program Case Manager	24.67	40	52		51,314
Program Case Manager	24.67	40	52		51,314
Lab Technician/Drug Screen Collector	22.46	40	52		46,717
Lab Technician/Drug Screen Collector	22.35	40	52		46,488
Total Personnel Salary Requested					309,109

Please detail what the personnel funds requested will be used for in the box below.

The HELP Court grant supports two Counselor positions to manage 30+ participant caseloads, conduct group and individual therapeutic sessions, and deliver approximately 18 hours of group treatment per week in addition to meeting with clients for individual therapy sessions, treatment planning, and ancillary care resourcing. Two Case Manager positions assist with primarily administrative tasks, record-keeping, and basic case management needed to support nearly 120 active HELP Program participants. Two Lab Technician positions are critical to our lab operations as we collect urine specimens seven days a week and conduct testing for our ten accountability court programs, Probation, DFCS, Human Resources, DCS, etc. Due to the fact that we tested nearly 54,000 specimens in 2024, it is imperative to keep both full-time lab technician positions. HELP Court currently boasts the largest active census in the history of the program, with an over 300% census increase since 2017.

Fringe Benefits

Position Title	Benefit Requested 1	Benefit Amount 1	Benefit Requested 2	Benefit Amount 2	Benefit Requested 3	Benefit Amount 3	Benefit Requested 4	Benefit Amount 4	Total Anticipated Cost
Counselor	FICA	4,373.46	Health Insurance	151.84	Worker's Compensation	514.53	401K/Pension	2,382.12	7,421.95
Counselor	FICA	4,373.46	Health Insurance	16,227.38	Worker's Compensation	514.53	401K/Pension	2,295.80	23,411.17
Program Case Manager	FICA	3,962.30	Health Insurance	9,142.64	Worker's Compensation	466.15	401K/Pension	2,148.64	15,719.73
Program Case Manager	FICA	3,962.30	Health Insurance	168.22	Worker's Compensation	466.15	401K/Pension	2,129.40	6,726.07
Lab Technician/Drug Screen Collector	FICA	3,573.84	Health Insurance	10,390.38	Worker's Compensation	420.45	401K/Pension	1,868.88	16,253.55
Lab Technician/Drug Screen Collector	FICA	3,556.33	Health Insurance	10,500.00	Worker's Compensation	418.39	401K/Pension	1,900.00	16,374.72
Total Fringe Benefits Anticipated Cost									85,907.19

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding fringe benefits requested.

All requested salary and fringe benefits are based on current employee figures with no foreseeable changes for FY26.

Contracts & MOUs

Are you requesting funding for Contracts and MOUs?
 Yes

Position Title	Rate Unit	Rateperunit	Total Units Requested	Anticipated Numbers	Provider Type	Total Requested Cost
Law Enforcement Surveillance Officer	Per hour	65.00	288	15.00	Sheriff's Department	18,720
Nurse Practitioner	Per hour	89.25	156	156.00	CSB	13,923
Total Contracts & MOUs Requested Cost						32,643

Please use the provided space below to describe how the contracts & MOUs requested will be work with your court program.

We wish to continue our surveillance presence by sending two Community Policing officers out into the field for 3 hours per week (2 officers x 12 hours/month x 12 months). This would allow our officers (who work in pairs and average three-hour shifts at \$65/hour) to make visits for all four of Hall County's accountability court programs. We also contract with a psychiatric nurse practitioner who conducts mental health evaluations at the jail for our participants and assists us with stabilization on mental health medications for new enrollments and active participants.

County Drug Labs

Do you have a fixed-rate, per test contract with a county drug lab for which you are requesting funds?
No

Rate Per Test	Number of Panels Tested per Rate	Number of Tests Requested	Total
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Please describe how your contract with the county for drug lab services breaks down the cost per test in terms of personnel, testing supplies, and reagents.

Drug Testing Supplies Consummables

Are you requesting funds for Drug Testing supplies?
Yes

Consummables	Units	Cost Per Unit	Total Units Requested	Total Amount Requested
			Total Consummables Amount Requested	0.00

Drug Testing Supplies Monitoring

Monitoring Equipment	Units	Cost Per Unit	Total Units Requested	Total Amount Requested
Total Monitoring Equipment Amount Requested				0.00

Drug Testing Supplies Confirmation or Lab Test

Confirmation Test or In-House Lab	Average Cost Per Test	Numberof Tests Requested	Total Amount Requested
Redwood	14.00	322	4,508.00
Redwood	50.00	380	19,000.00
Redwood	33.00	200	6,600.00
	Total Confirmation or Lab Amount Requested		30,108.00

Drug Testing Supplies Onsite Devices

Onsite Devices	Company Used	Panel Tested	Cost per Unit	Units	Total Unit Requested	Total Amount Requested
				Total Onsite Devices Amount Requested		0.00

Does Court utilize or Operate Local Lab?
County Run Lab

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding drug testing supplies. If you selected 'other' as an option on this section of the grant, please indicate what 'other' is.

We operate an in-house lab utilizing Thermofisher reagents on our Mindray BA800 analyzer. We pay for consumable supplies such as latex gloves and cups from our county operating budget and are only requesting grant funds for confirmation and specialty testing with Abbott/Redwood and reagents (in the next section). Hall County HELP Program sent off approximately 360 screens to Abbott Labs in 2024. Our lab collected over 53,000 drug screens in 2024, with over 6,000 of those screens belonging to the HELP Program. We wish to maintain or increase this pace to better monitor participant progress by testing for assays which we cannot detect in-house.

Reagents Drug Testing Supplies

Are you requesting funds for reagents?
 Yes

Typical Drugs

Drugs	Company Used	Cost Per test	Total Units Requested	Total Requested Amount
Barbiturates	ThermoFisher	0.29		
Burprenorphine	ThermoFisher	0.29	9,027	2,617.83
Cocaine/Crack	ThermoFisher	0.29	9,027	2,617.83
ETG	ThermoFisher	0.29	18,054	5,235.66
Methadone	ThermoFisher	0.29	9,027	2,617.83
Methamphetamine	ThermoFisher	0.29	18,054	5,235.66
Optiates	ThermoFisher	0.29	9,027	2,617.83
Oxycodone	ThermoFisher	0.29	9,027	2,617.83
THC	ThermoFisher	0.29	18,054	5,235.66
Total Reagents Supplies Requested Amount				28,796.13

Synthetic Drugs

Drugs	Company Used	Cost Per test	Total Units Requested	Total Requested Amount
Fentanyl	ThermoFisher	0.89	1,000	890.00
Kratom	ThermoFisher	1.15	1,500	1,725.00
Synthetic Cannabinoids (K2/Spice)	ThermoFisher	0.95	1,895	1,800.25
Total Reagents Supplies Requested Amount				4,415.25

Supplies

Are you requesting funds for supplies?
No

Cost Type	Cost Per Unit	Total Units Requested	Total Requested Amount
		Total Supplies Requested Amount	0.00

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding the supplies and other costs you are requesting.

Equipment

Are you requesting funds for Equipment?
No

Equipment Type	Total Units Requested	Cost Per Unit	Total Requested Amount
	Equipments Total Requested Amount		0.00

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding your equipment request.

Conference Training and Travel

Are you requesting funds to attend the CACJ Annual Training Conference?
 Yes

Team Name	Mileage Total	Parking Request	Number Team Members	Total Hotel Nights Per Room	Number Hotel Rooms	Total Anticipated Cost
HELP Court - Co-occurring Track	240		8			
HELP Court - SPMI Track	240		8			
Conference Training and Travel Total Anticipated Cost						0.00

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding your court's request for funding to attend the CACJ Annual Conference

We are requesting funding for travel reimbursement to the annual CACJ conference scheduled for September 14-17, 2025 in Athens. We are requesting funding for our Co-Occurring Track team members (Team A) and our SPMI Track team members (Team B). We are less than 51 miles from the conference center so would only be requesting RT mileage for each team member.

In-State Travel

Are you requesting additional training and travel funds for your court?
No

Court Staff/Contractor Name	Training Cost	Mileage(roundtrip)	Numberof Trips	Total Requested
		All Attendee Total Amount Requested		0.00

Please use the provided space to provide any additional details regarding mileage use. If you are requesting mileage between counties, please list the distance between those counties and how many participants were served in each of those counties

Transportation

Are you requesting funds to assist participants with transportation needs?

No

Mode of Transportation Cost Type	Rate Unit	Rate Unit Explanation	Rate per Unit	Total Units	Under Contract	Total
County Vehicle Mileage						
Driver time (County Vehicle)						
Public Transportation						
Private Transportation (Uber/Taxi)						
Bike Share						
Other						
					Total Transportation Cost	0.00

If you are applying for multiple courts, please list the courts.

How many participants do you anticipate will participate in your proposed transportation project (from July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)? If you are applying for multiple courts, please list the court name then the number of participants.

How many new participants will your court add if the proposed transportation project is funded? If you are applying for multiple courts, please list the court name and then the number of participants.

Please fully describe your proposed transportation project. Include why the project is needed and cannot be funded by other sources.

If there are additional items regarding your transportation program, please include them in the space below.

Which evidence-based curricula does your court offer?

Anger Management
 Celebrating Families
 Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)
 Cognitive-Behavioral Interventions for Substance Abuse (CBI-SA)
 Criminal and Addictive Thinking
 Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT)
 Hazelden Co-Occurring Disorders Program
 Hazelden Life Skills
 Individual Therapy/Counseling
 Individual-Trauma
 Integrated Dual Disorders Treatment
 Matrix Early Recovery Skills and Relapse Prevention
 Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT)
 Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET)
 Motivational Interviewing
 MRT - Discovering Life and Liberty in the Pursuit of Happiness
 MRT - Staying Quit
 MRT - Untangling Relationships
 MRT - Winning the Invisible War
 Peer Support Services
 Prime for Life
 Relapse Prevention Therapy (RPT)

Seeking Safety
Strengthening Families
Thinking for a Change (T4C)
Trauma Recovery and Enhancement Model (TREM)
Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)

Which ancillary services do you court provides?

Resume's Writing Assistance
Job Interviewing Preparation
Life Skills Course
Accountability Court Mentor/Mentee Program