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2022 RES-317
AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FOR
ONGOING PRETRIAL EVALUATION WORK

In 2014, the Dane County CJC started using a validated, data-driven Pretrial Safety Assessment (PSA) tool for in custody residents of the Dane County jail. The PSA tool is used at initial appearance to provide court commissioners with information to help determine whether an individual should be detained or released before trial. The Dane County CJC-Pretrial Subcommittee and CJC staff work with two national research institutions to fully evaluate the Dane County use of the PSA. Access to Justice Lab, at Harvard University, and MDRC, are recognized as leaders in criminal justice research and Dane County has partnered with the organizations over the last several years.

Additional funds were sought and awarded in a gift to the Dane County CJC to continue the data work and complete the evaluation partnerships. Data points include: state level case details, county criminal justice outcomes, PSA scores, and demographics (race, age, and gender). The research will be largely completed in 2023 and each research organization will report to the Dane County CJC.

This resolution amends the budget for the expected revenue and expenditures for 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the Dane County Executive hereby accept the grant award from the Arnold Foundation for \$18,359 to complete data analysis in support of the evaluation of the Pretrial Safety Assessment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that revenue account MCJLAWCL (NEW) "Arnold Foundation Support" in the amount of \$18,359 be established and expenditure account MCJLAWCL 21975 "Pretrial Services Initiative" be increased by \$18,359; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these funds be carried forward until fully expended; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Board hereby authorizes the County Executive to enter into an agreement with Arnold Ventures memorializing the roles and responsibilities of Dane County and the Foundation.