

**DANE COUNTY  
POLICY AND FISCAL NOTE**

_____ Original	_____ Update	Substitute No.
Sponsor:		Resolution No. 2021 RES-031
Vote Required:		Ordinance Amendment No. _____
Majority	Two-Thirds	X

Title of Resolution or Ord. Amd.:

**ACCEPTING FUNDS FROM THE CITY OF MADISON FOR CRISIS ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE EMERGENCY SERVICES (CARES) TEAM DCDHS – ACS DIVISION**

**Policy Analysis Statement:**

Brief Description of Proposal -

The Dane County Department of Human Services (DCDHS) is receiving funds from the City of Madison to establish a team that will be designed to respond to individuals who are actively experiencing a crisis due to a mental health or substance use concern. These funds will pair Crisis Workers from Journey Mental Health Center with Community Paramedics from the Madison Fire Department. These teams of two will serve as an alternative mobile response unit within the county's crisis services continuum. Current mobile responses include law enforcement and crisis workers who respond either independently or together to behavioral health crises. The CARES Team is modeled after mobile crisis teams found in other communities including Eugene, OR and Denver, CO.

Current Policy or Practice -

Budget changes require County Board approval.

Impact of Adopting Proposal -

These funds will support the employment of Crisis Workers through an addendum to the department's current contract with Journey Mental Health Center. Journey Mental Health Center is the sole state-certified entity in Dane County to provide crisis intervention services under Administrative Code DHS 34. While several other agencies in Dane County are able to provide crisis stabilization services under that same administrative code, mobile crisis is considered a part of crisis intervention, meaning that Journey is the only agency that can employ the Crisis Workers for this new team.

**Fiscal Estimate:**

Fiscal Effect (check all that apply) -

- \_\_\_\_\_ No Fiscal Effect
- x Results in Revenue Increase
- x Results in Expenditure Increase
- \_\_\_\_\_ Results in Revenue Decrease
- \_\_\_\_\_ Results in Expenditure Decrease

Budget Effect (check all that apply)

- \_\_\_\_\_ No Budget Effect
- x Increases Rev. Budget
- x Increases Exp. Budget
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decreases Rev. Budget
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decreases Exp. Budget
- \_\_\_\_\_ Increases Position Authority
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decreases Position Authority

Note: if any budget effect, 2/3 vote is required

**Narrative/Assumptions about long range fiscal effect:**

The current funds are for the 2021 calendar year only. There is zero impact to the county tax levy in accepting these funds.

**Expenditure/Revenue Changes:**

	Current Year		Annualized			Current Year		Annualized	
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease		Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease
Expenditures -					Revenues -				
Personal Services					County Taxes				
Operating Expenses					Federal				
Contractual Services	\$132,333				State				
Capital					Other	\$132,333			
Total	\$132,333	\$0	\$0	\$0	Total	\$132,333	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Personnel Impact/FTE Changes:**

N/A

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