

1 | **SUB 4 to 2016 RES-572 (PROPOSED – CORRIGAN)**
2 | **AMENDING THE 2017 OPERATING BUDGET TO ENHANCE**
3 | **CITIZENSHIP ASSISTANCE SERVICES**
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5 Thousands of immigrants in Dane County are eligible for citizenship but lack the resources to
6 navigate the process. Dane County has proposed a program to help direct and
7 connect them to resources in the community that will enable them to succeed and give them a
8 fair shot at realizing the American Dream.
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10 Since the election of President Trump, community organizations have received a significant
11 increase in requests for legal assistance to pursue citizenship and have reached out to the
12 county for assistance. This resolution establishes an immigration assistance fund to be
13 administered by the Madison Community Foundation. It is hoped that the initial funding in the
14 amount of ~~\$200,000~~ \$150,000 from the County will be matched by additional funds from the
15 community.

16 Funding is transferred from the General Fund, realizing that the end of year 2016 fund balance
17 for the Department of Human Services was significantly more than anticipated during 2017
18 budget deliberations.
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20 In support of enacting a community-driven initiative, the county has reached out to legal
21 services providers to immigrants and this resolution incorporates their ideas for an effective
22 approach to emergency immigration assistance. A collaborative group of legal services
23 providers will work with the Madison Community Foundation in development of the
24 disbursement structure of funds, ~~with up to \$50,000 allocated by the collaborative group to hire~~
25 ~~a project assistant or consultant to lead fundraising, meeting facilitation, and fund management.~~
26 The legal services providers making up this collaborative partnership are:
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28 The Catholic Multicultural Center
29 Centro Hispano of Dane County
30 Community Immigration Law Center (CILC)
31 RISE Law Center
32 Jewish Social Services
33 Literacy Network
34 Madison Path to Citizenship, and
35 UW-Law School Immigration Justice Center
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37 While immediate action is essential as a result of federal actions, Dane County must develop a
38 long-term approach to support the immigrant community. Working together, the Department of
39 Administration, the Department of Human Services, and the Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity
40 and Inclusion should complete research on best practices for the county's role in supporting
41 immigrants in our community and report to the County Executive, the Health and Human Needs
42 Committee, [the Executive Committee](#), and the Personnel and Finance Committee by July 15,
43 2017 with proposals that can be considered as part of the 2018 budget. These
44 recommendations shall include proposals for partnering with the City of Madison on Immigration
45 Assistance.
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47 | NOW THEREFORE BE It RESOLVED that ~~\$200,000~~ 150,000 be transferred from the General
48 Fund to the Department of Human Services.
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50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following line item be added to the 2017 operating
51 budget: HADMIN-NEW "Immigration Assistance Fund" ~~\$200,000~~ 150,000

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53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Immigration Assistance Fund be allocated to the
54 Madison Community Foundation, which will work with a collaborative partnership of legal
55 services providers to immigrants to fundraise and to disburse the funds.

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57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legal services providers identified above must submit to
58 Dane County an agreement among themselves establishing a collaborative partnership and
59 advisory board for use and governance of the fund, including a plan for governance of
60 disbursements from the fund to the legal services providers. The plan should include
61 disbursements from the fund for direct services or education related to the following areas:
62 Asylum Applications, Adjustment of Status for Refugees and Asylees, Violence Against Women
63 Act self-petitions, U Visas, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) applications,
64 Naturalization applications, T Visas, Immigrant Visa Petitions, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status
65 (SIJS) applications, Withholding of Removal or Convention Against Torture, Undocumented
66 Cancellation of Removal, Permanent Resident Cancellation of Removal, and other deportation
67 defense. Quarterly reports will be made to the County Executive, the Director of the Tamara D.
68 Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion, the Director of Human Services, and the County Board.

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70 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, should Dane County be selected to be part of the Vera
71 Institute of Justice National Network of Local Leaders Keeping Families Together and
72 Communities Strong and Safe, then the Vera Institute will provide technical assistance and work
73 with the advisory board to distribute the funds in an impartial and equitable manner, taking into
74 consideration highest needs in the community, and will also assist in development of a
75 management approach; if not selected as a part of the Vera Institute initiative, Dane County
76 Department of Human Services will work with the advisory board to determine an equitable plan
77 for fund disbursement including an application process with a neutral party making funding
78 decisions.

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80 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon receipt of a plan as specified above and approval by
81 the Health and Human Needs Committee and the Personnel and Finance Committee, the
82 county will transfer governance of the fund to the provider collaborative partnership.

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84 ~~BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that up the collaborative partnership of legal services partners~~
85 ~~may choose to allocate up to \$50,000 of the \$200,000 fund to hire a project assistant or~~
86 ~~consultant to develop the disbursement structure, fundraise, and provide administrative support~~
87 ~~to the project.~~

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89 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NOW THEREFORE BE It RESOLVED that a new 1.0 FTE
90 “Immigration Ombudsman” bilingual case manager position be created in the Joining Forces for
91 Families program of the Human Services Department with a June 1, 2017 start date to serve as
92 a direct service provider to the immigrant community in Dane County, and the following
93 transfers be made within the Human Services Department operating budget to reflect salary
94 savings realized in 2017 from vacant positions and to reflect the cost of the new position.

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96 HSADMIN AAYAAA SALARIES & WAGES (12,500)
97 HSADMIN AAYMAA RETIREMENT FUND (1,000)
98 HSADMIN AAYPAA SOCIAL SECURITY (900)
99 HSADMIN AAYSAA HEALTH (4,100)
100 HSADMIN AAZBAA DENTAL (300)
101 HSADMIN AAZHAA DISABILITY INSURANCE (100)
102 HSADMIN AAZXAA SALARY SAVINGS 250

103	ACAADMIN	AAYAAA	SALARIES & WAGES	(17,500)
104	ACAADMIN	AAYMAA	RETIREMENT FUND	(1,400)
105	ACAADMIN	AAYPAA	SOCIAL SECURITY	(1,300)
106	ACAADMIN	AAYSAA	HEALTH	(4,100)
107	ACAADMIN	AAZBAA	DENTAL	(400)
108	ACAADMIN	AAZHAA	DISABILITY INSURANCE	(100)
109	ACAADMIN	AAZXAA	SALARY SAVINGS	350
110	CYFDSSIA	AAYAAA	SALARIES & WAGES	27,700
111	CYFDSSIA	AAYMAA	RETIREMENT FUND	2,200
112	CYFDSSIA	AAYPAA	SOCIAL SECURITY	2,100
113	CYFDSSIA	AAYSAA	HEALTH	10,700
114	CYFDSSIA	AAZBAA	DENTAL	900
115	CYFDSSIA	AAZHAA	DISABILITY INSURANCE	100
116	CYFDSSIA	AAZXAA	SALARY SAVINGS	(600)

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118 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the new position be included in the base budget for 2018.

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121 ~~BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tamara D. Grigsby Office of Equity and Inclusion shall~~
122 ~~provide assistance to the collaborative partnership as needed.~~

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124 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that, working together, the Department of Administration,
125 Department of Human Services and the Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion
126 should complete research on best practices for the county's role in supporting immigrants in our
127 community and report to the County Executive, the Health and Human Needs Committee, [the](#)
128 [Executive Committee](#), and the Personnel and Finance Committee by July 15, 2017 with
129 proposals that can be considered as part of the 2018 budget. These recommendations shall
130 include proposals for partnering with the City of Madison on Immigration Assistance.

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133 *Explanation of the Substitute Amendment:*

134 *Due to the immediate and growing need for immigration services in Dane County and the*
135 *shortage of funds for front-line immigration services, this substitute amendment creates a 1.0*
136 *FTE Joining Forces for Families position beginning June 1, 2017 as well as an Immigration*
137 *Assistance Fund at the Madison Community Foundation is seeded with \$200,000 150,000. ~~Of~~*
138 *~~that amount, \$50,000 may be allocated for staffing support for fund governance, fund raising,~~*
139 *~~and management by a collaborative partnership of immigration service providers.~~*

140 *In addition, the Sub to Res 572 also:*

- 141 • *Transfers funds from the General Fund for the Immigration Assistance Fund, in*
142 *recognition of the Department of Human Services' return of funds in excess of*
143 *\$200,000 150,000 to the General Fund at the end of 2016,*
- 144 • *Defines services for which the funds may be used based on input from front-line*
145 *immigration service providers.*
- 146 • *Recognizes the potential involvement of the Vera Institute of Justice, a nationally*
147 *recognized research and technical support organization dedicated to fairness, safety,*
148 *and strong communities.*
- 149 • *Establishes a process for transferring responsibilities of fund governance from the*
150 *County to a collaboration of immigration service providers.*

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- ~~Directs the Dane County Office of Equity and Inclusion to provide assistance to the collaborative partnership.~~