

AUTHORIZING ADDING 0.25 FTE USING GRANT FUNDS TO POSITION #3264,  
PUBLIC HEALTH SPECIALIST – PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR THE “PATHWAYS TO  
RECOVERY MADISON & DANE COUNTY” INITIATIVE TO COMBAT OPIOID ABUSE

The opioid crisis is a public health emergency threatening the wellbeing and lives of individuals who use drugs and impacts communities, first responders, the criminal justice system, child welfare and foster care, and behavioral health systems.

To address the crisis, Public Health-Madison and Dane County (PHMDC) will provide their expertise in systems change and as a community convener through the project coordination of the Department of Justice Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program (COAP) grant and “Pathways to Recovery Madison & Dane County” initiative, in collaboration with Madison Police Department, Dane County Department of Human Services, Madison Fire Department, and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute.

On January 24, the County Board approved the creation of project position #3264, a 0.75 P10 Program Coordinator to lead this work, and the Board approved a reclassification of the position to a P7 Public Health Specialist – Project Management on August 13, 2020 due to changes in the scope of the duties.

The reclassification resulted in a reduction in wage rate for the position and savings to the grant. With the budgeted savings, PHMDC proposes funding 0.25 FTE to add to project position #3264, resulting in a 1.0 FTE Public Health Specialist – Project Management position.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that 0.25 FTE of project position authority is created and combined with position #3264, effective immediately, making position #3264 a project funded 1.0 FTE Public Health Specialist – Project Management position.