

## **Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion – Staff Response to Commissioners**

### **•Countywide Actions/Initiatives/Discussion re: Mental Health**

Per Todd Campbell, Adult Community Services Division Administrator, in Dane County there is a new Behavior Health Resource Center located on Madison's South side at 818 W. Badger Rd, Madison, Wisconsin. This is a place to go for support for mental health, substance abuse issues et al. A Clinician will complete a standard assessment, there will be case management, transportation and childcare assistance. Later there will be peer support from people with lived experiences.

### **•Countywide Actions/Initiatives/Discussions re: Community Based Program Funding, Community Engagement**

Dane County has partnered with Madison hotels to provide housing for vulnerable populations, specifically people who had been living in shelters.

Dane County has partnered with Urban League to create an economic development project on Madison's South side for black owned businesses.

OEI has an ongoing Driver's Education Scholarship Program, to assist poor and disadvantaged youth.

OEI's contract compliance program collaborated with a women-owned business to initiate a cohort pilot program for women and minority business owners working in construction.

There has been an increase in the amount of meals being served to older adults. There has been a transition to have meals delivered via drive through. Partnership with restaurants to assist with meal sights.