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RE: Dane County Crisis Restoration/Diversion Facility

Dear Colleen:

Thank you for the recent listening session regarding the proposed Dane County Crisis Restoration/Diversion facility, it is an exciting undertaking. We thought the comments were on target, and there is clearly a lot of support for this project.

UW Health is supportive of the proposed process for the coming year, including design, business planning, and determining feasibility and sustainability. While this is a big lift, it will prove critical in determining next steps and potential future direction. We would like to offer our support in whatever way would prove helpful in evaluating the RFP and participating in the business planning and feasibility process.

Thanks for your ongoing commitment to innovation in criminal justice, and for the well-being of the community as a whole. The vision and leadership for this important step has been invaluable.

We look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

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