

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A CENTER FOR JUSTICE INNOVATION HOUSING SOLUTIONS AWARD

The Dane County Office of Justice Reform applied for and won a \$2,000 Housing Solutions Community Engagement award as hosted by the Center for Justice Innovation and The NYU Furman Center's Housing Solutions Lab. The Office of Justice Reform is working with the Dane County Juvenile Courts, and Department of Human Services-Housing Access and Affordability division to improve cross-sector partnerships and explore solutions that improve access to housing for justice-involved people.

In April 2025, the Dane County team, with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Philanthropies, joined the Housing Solutions Network. This 16-month national program equips housing and criminal justice leaders with technical assistance and policy guidance to address the critical intersection of housing vulnerability and justice system involvement.

A key component of the program is meaningful community engagement. Dane County will use this \$2,000 award to partner with local organizations in engaging diverse cohorts, including young adults, seniors, and criminal justice impacted persons to identify barriers and implement effective solutions to housing challenges. The insights gained through this work will directly inform the County's broader Housing Solutions framework.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the Dane County Executive hereby accept the grant award from the Center for Justice Innovation in the amount of \$2,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a new revenue account, OJR NEW "Housing Solutions Outreach" be established for the amount of \$2,000, and expense account-"Housing Solutions Outreach" be established for \$2,000. All funds shall be carried forward until realized and fully expended.