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Memorandum

To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners
From: Sara Applegate, J.D., Specialty Courts and Programs Administrator
Date: January 13, 2021
Re: Resolution Authorizing Specialty Courts and Programs to Apply Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant Funding for FY 2022 – Court Central Services/Finance Committee/Full Board

We are requesting Board approval to submit a grant application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) requesting funding for the Livingston County Adult Drug Court. This is an excellent opportunity to assist our Adult Drug Court Program in servicing individuals struggling with substance use disorders. The current fiscal year is the last year that the Program will be receiving grant funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA). The Courts applied for additional funding last year and were not awarded the funds.

This is a new opportunity for funding through the Bureau for Justice Assistance. This award would provide Adult Drug Court with up to \$500,000 in funding over a 4-year period. The grant funds would be utilized to operate and expand services, coordination, and treatment in Adult Drug Court for FY 2022 through FY 2025. There is a 25% cash match required for this grant opportunity which would be \$31,250 per year over a 4-year period totaling \$125,000. This cash match amount is not currently in the budget and it is being requested that a budget amendment be made to allocate \$31,250 for the first year the funding is received. Future year match requirements will be included in the County's annual budget.

Our Specialty Courts and Programs is asking for a partnership in serving this vulnerable population to help reduce recidivism and ensure successful integration of our participants back into the community.

If awarded, grant funding will begin on October 1, 2021. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.