

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CHEYENNE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE LARAMIE COUNTY PREVENTION GRANT, ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING TO REQUEST FUNDING FOR THE DRUG COURT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,000.00

FOR THE PURPOSE OF: REQUESTED FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR ENHANCING THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT AND CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE LARAMIE COUNTY DRUG COURT PROGRAM.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Cheyenne Regional Medical Center received Federal Prevention pass through funds from the Wyoming Department of Health and;

WHEREAS, the Cheyenne Regional Medical Center distributes a portion of these funds to Laramie County agencies and nonprofits for seed grants and;

WHEREAS, the Laramie County Board of Commissioners is eligible to apply for and receive Prevention Grant funds for the Drug Court Program and;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Laramie County desires to participate in the Cheyenne Regional Medical Center Prevention Grant by sponsoring this application to assist in financing the Drug Court Program; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Laramie County has been provided with preliminary cost estimates and information on this project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY that a grant application in the amount of \$41,000.00 be submitted to the Cheyenne Regional Medical Center for consideration of assistance in funding the Laramie County Drug Court Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Sandra Newland, or her successor in the position of Laramie County Grants Manager, is appointed as agent of the Laramie County Board of Commissioners to execute and submit applications and certifications for these funds and to receive funds and implement the programs funded under this grant.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

By: _____

Linda Heath, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Debra Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Date: _____

Received and Approved as to Form only By:

Mark Voss, County Attorney

Date: 4/9/19

MEMORANDUM

TO : THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
FROM : THE CHIEF OF STAFF
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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Laramie County Prevention Grant Application

Please complete by April 26, 2019.

Organization (Legal name) *

Laramie County Drug Court

Physical Address *

309 W. 20th Street # 2300, Cheyenne, WY 82001

Key Contact for Project *

Kurt Zunker

Phone Number *

(307) 633-4530

E-mail *

kzunker@laramiecounty.com

Estimated Timeline *

1 Year

Amount of Funding Requested *

\$41,000.00

Topic(s) to be Addressed *

Tobacco

Alcohol

Suicide

Other drugs

Multiple topics

Laramie County Prevention Grant Application

Other drugs

Area of Focus (check all that apply) *

Social availability

Community norms

Law enforcement

Situation: Briefly describe your request, define how the activities proposed will benefit the community, and describe the capacity of your organization to implement the activities. *

The mission of the Laramie County Drug Court is to improve public safety and strengthen our community foundation. Through intervention, quality treatment, and intensive supervision we interrupt the cycle of addiction for substance abuse offenders. The Laramie County Drug Court is requesting \$41,000 to provide substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, and case management services to adult individuals who have been diagnosed with substance abuse and mental health disorders. Addiction is a chronic, relapsing disorder characterized by compulsive drug seeking with continued use resulting in harmful health consequences. Consequently, individuals who successfully complete the Drug Court program are less likely to relapse to abusing controlled substances and are less likely to get re-arrested, which saves tens-of-thousands of dollars to Laramie County taxpayers each year. The Laramie County Drug Court is fully operational and has a contracted vendor that is state certified under the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). They are an accredited substance abuse and mental health treatment facility, providing services to addicted individuals within Laramie County. The Laramie County Drug Court program has been operational since 2002 and recently received a significant funding cut from the Wyoming Department of Health (State funds). Without supplemental funding, the Drug Court will not be able to provide the services to those who need it the most, which ultimately harms our community and strains stressed community resources.

Background: Detail the causes, conditions, or needs that have led to this request. Describe how the activities proposed will enhance community well-being. *

Drug and alcohol abuse, and its related criminal activity, is a concern for many citizens of Laramie County. Abusing alcohol or drugs is found to be a significant aggravating factor when someone is arrested. According to the Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police (WASCOP), from 2014 to 2016 the abuse of alcohol or drugs was a factor 73.92% of the time in an arrest. Those numbers are even higher in Laramie County, which showed the use of alcohol or drugs was present 79.17% of the time at arrest. In contrast, the re-arrest rate for Drug Court graduates is extremely low. In a three-year recidivism report, from the period of July 1, 2015 to July 1, 2018, there were only five in-program arrests for new crimes resulting in a 6.02% recidivism rate and eleven post-program arrests out of eighty-eight graduates for a 12.50% recidivism rate.

In 2010 the Wyoming Statistical Analysis Center (WYSAC) estimated that drug abuse costs the State of Wyoming \$391,365,600 with \$146,155,714 going towards healthcare expenditures. Consequently, in a report completed by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, it was noted that for every one dollar that is invested in a Drug Court, a \$3.36 cost is saved in continuing criminal justice related expenses.

Analysis: Provide data illustrating the need and describe the evidence-based strategies that have been selected for implementation. Describe the service area for implementation (i.e. Laramie County, Cheyenne, Pine Bluffs, etc.) *

Drug related arrests in Wyoming have increased by 28.5% between 2014 and 2017. Although drug-related arrests have remained static in Laramie County during that same timeframe, they still account for an average of 15.9% of all arrests. Marijuana and methamphetamines are the top two drugs that are found during those arrests. The Laramie County Drug Court is seeking funding to provide treatment to a segment of this population that meets the program's admission criteria.

All Wyoming Drug Court programs are required to use evidence-based treatment modalities and curriculum along with following the 10 Key Components of Drug Courts. The Laramie County Drug Court is currently using the Hazelden Matrix model for substance abuse and mental health treatment and all participants are able to participate in Medicated Assisted Therapies (MAT) to include the use of Naltrexone and Vivitrol as needed as well as mental health medication. If funded we would continue to utilize these proven evidence-based methods of treatment to serve the Drug Court participants.

Citizens of Cheyenne, Pine Bluffs, Carpenter, Burns, Albin, Hillsdale, and rural Laramie County are eligible to participate in the Laramie County Drug Court program.

Request: Provide a detailed budget to explain how funding will be allocated. *

It costs the program approximately \$30.03 per participant per day to operate the Drug Court, which equates to \$10,960.00 per year. To operate the Drug Court Program we need around \$274,000 a year with the majority of the costs stemming from our treatment and testing providers at \$200,687. The request of \$41,000 will be leveraged against funding from the Wyoming Department of Health (\$190,633.59), Laramie County Commissioners (\$36,500.00), and participation fees (\$6,750) to pay for approximately 220 hours of intensive outpatient drug and alcohol treatment, individual, couples and family counseling, MAT, as well as all administrative expenses to operate the Drug Court program for up to 25 participants for fiscal year 2020 effective 7/1/2019 to 6/30/2020. If funded the \$41,000 will be tracked separately and accounted for outside of the other funding streams to show hours and numbers of participants.

Evaluation: Please describe how you will evaluate the process and impact of your program or strategy. *

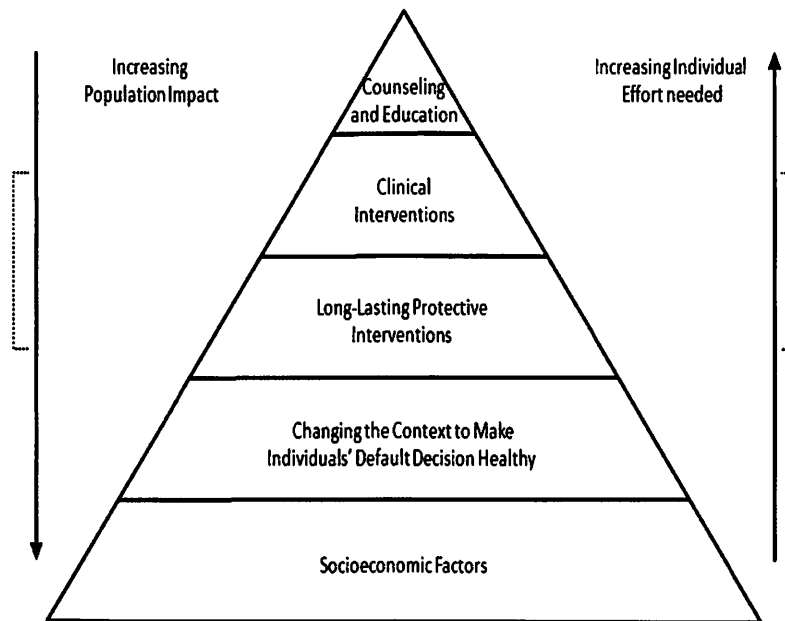
All Wyoming Drug Court programs are evaluated by four performance measurements; (1). Recidivism- how many Drug Court participants are being arrested while in the program and after they graduate. (2) Retention - How many Drug Court participants enter the program and successfully complete the

program. (3) Sobriety - How many days are program participants abstaining from drug and alcohol use measured by frequent and unpredictable drug testing, and (4) Units of Service - How many hours of therapy and what type of therapy is each Drug Court participant receiving while enrolled in the program.

The Laramie County Drug Court uses the above criteria to measure the success of the program participants and makes adjustments to the operations of the program as needed.

Health Impact Pyramid

Please select the level from the Health Impact Pyramid where the project fits best. *



Frieden TR. Am J Public Health 2010;100(4):590-5

Counseling and Education (i.e. Dietary counseling, education to avoid drinking and driving, etc.)

Clinical Interventions (i.e. Treatment of hypertension, medication-assisted treatment, etc.)

Long-Lasting Protective Interventions (i.e. Tobacco cessation programs, brief behavioral counseling to reduce alcohol consumption, etc.)

Changing the Context to Make Individuals' Default Decision Healthy (i.e. smoke-free laws, tobacco or alcohol taxes, etc.)

Socioeconomic Factors (i.e. Early childhood education, improved housing options, etc.)

I understand that as a recipient of these funds, I will be required to actively participate in Laramie County Community Action Teams. *