

1. 12:30 P.M. Drug Court Worksession With Judge Goggins, Judge Vandelist And Laura Stang

1. Grant Application Request for Federal Funds

Documents:

[GRANT APPROVAL LETTER \(002\).PDF](#)



April 22, 2020

Dear Le Sueur County Commissioners:

Le Sueur County Drug Court is requesting approval to apply for an Enhancement Grant through the Federal Government. If the board grants approval to apply for the grant and we are awarded funding, the County or Pam Simonette, would be the fiscal agent to oversee the funds.

The Enhancement Grant we desire to apply for is for funds up to \$500,000 to use over the course of 36 months (or 3 years).

We plan to use this money for the members of our team to attend National and State Trainings related to treatment courts, recovery support services for our participants (which includes gas and housing assistance), a monitoring computer application to monitor participants and their sobriety easier, and enhanced drug testing. If we receive funding, we would also be required to pay for an evaluator who would review our court and supply feedback as to our progress. In the past, Professor William Wagner has served in this capacity for our court. He has presented to the Commissioners as to our ongoing progress.

It should be noted that the main source of funds from this grant cannot be used for aspects of the drug court program that are presently being funded at this time. For example, we could likely not use this Enhancement Grant to fund our drug court coordinator, our defense counsel, and our basic, random urinalysis drug testing program. However, the grant would allow for us to fund some aspects of our program that we have used County funds for in the past.

This Enhancement Grant would bring great opportunities to our Drug Court Program, to ensure we have the best training possible and can give our participants even more help in their recovery. Once we get the approval from the board to apply for this grant I will be able to start getting all the pieces I need together. Please let me know if you have any questions.

The grant application is due on June 1st, 2020. Thank you for your consideration!

Thank you,

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