



Board of Commissioners

Resolution

B2025-239

15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102
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Sponsor: Community Corrections

Meeting Date: 12/16/2025

Title: Community Corrections Department Annual Authority for Procurement Requests

File Number: 2025-475

Background and Rationale:

Ramsey County Community Corrections operates across both the Health and Wellness and Safety and Justice Service Teams, working collaboratively with the Second Judicial District and a variety of community service providers. The department supports the criminal justice system through a range of services, including client screening and assessments, court reports, community supervision, and short-term custody.

This board request seeks to streamline procurement processes in agreements for services the department provides, including direct agreements with mental health services when demand exceeds available vendors. These agreements provide essential services to justice-involved clients, helping them manage their risk of reoffending, address identified areas of need, and ultimately supporting their successful completion of probation and reintegration as productive members of the community.

The proposal enhances transparency in community engagement during the solicitation and contracting process, with a focus on meeting the needs of racially and culturally diverse individuals, families, and communities. It reaffirms the county's commitment to an open, competitive process grounded in racial equity, while ensuring that county board approval is still required for any changes to practices or policies, new grant applications, or actions affecting complement, revenues, or appropriations related to the county levy.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Authorize the County Manager, subject to review by the County Attorney's Office and the Finance Department, to do the following:

1. Enter into the following expenditure agreements without solicitation through December 31, 2026, and execute future amendments to the agreements and contracts in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the budget for the services listed below:
 - A. Contracts in which the county currently provides services and receives payments from external sources, such as health plans, the Courts, other counties, and other parties, including payments for services already provided.
 - B. Community support programs, culturally specific African American community support programs and culturally specific American Indian / Indigenous community support programs if there is an urgent need for specific services for a target population that was not previously identified through a prior competitive solicitation process.
 - C. Providers of psychiatric, psychosexual, and psychological services; to conduct evaluations, consultations, therapy, and treatment, as long as the need exceeds the supply of providers, and the providers are registered or licensed.
2. Approve actions deemed necessary for the orderly administration of expenditure agreements through December 31, 2026.
 - A. Acceptance of supplementary awards or rate adjustments the county may receive from funding sources other than county levy; and approve related county budget adjustments and execute amendments with funders and contractors.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

By: 

Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board