
Sponsor: Community Corrections

Meeting Date: 6/10/2025

Title: Joint Powers Agreement with State of Minnesota for Intensive Supervised Release

File Number: 2025-200

Background and Rationale:

Adults released from Minnesota prisons are assigned to supervised release or intensive supervised release based on the type of offense and their risk for reoffending. Adults remain on supervised release/intensive supervised release until they reach expiration of their sentence.

The goal of the Intensive Supervised Release (ISR) program is to protect the safety of the public by monitoring client behavior and participation in treatment, checking progress by developing and maintaining contacts with the client, his/her family and community members involved with the client.

The Community Corrections department is staffed by 10.0 Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Probation Officers III positions, and 1.0 FTE Community Corrections Supervisor, for a total of 11.0 FTE. This agreement with the state provides partial reimbursement of the costs of the ISR program. The agents assigned to this program work as a team to provide supervision to all cases, although each client has a primary worker responsible for his/her case management. Agents meet with each other and the team supervisor on a weekly basis to evaluate the progress of each client and plan priorities for case supervision.

In addition, the ISR team works with probation staff, supervised release staff, and predatory offender staff located in the same building. ISR staff currently provide intensive supervision for the county's most serious and high-risk adults. Duration of program phases, frequency of client contacts, and all other program elements are conducted as required by statute and the current Intensive Community Supervision Policies and Procedures.

The Intensive Supervised Release agreement with Minnesota Department of Corrections is long standing and for the last 20 years has operated as a grant. During 2025, the State of Minnesota changed the grant to a Joint Powers Agreement. Community Corrections is requesting approval to continue providing these services.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, 1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN 55108, for Intensive Supervised Release Programming for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Joint Powers Agreement.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Jebens-Singh, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion passed.

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

By: Jason Yang
Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County
Board