

February 5, 2019

Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network, Inc.
140 Intracoastal Pointe Drive, Suite 211
Jupiter, FL 33477

RE: Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse reinvestment Grant
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Indian River County is pleased to offer this letter of support and commitment for Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network, Inc. (SEFBHN) grant application for the Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant. It is our understanding that this grant project is proposed to provide enhanced services for the most high risk mental health court clients. The acquisition of this grant will support the expansion of program services in Indian River County which will help reduce recidivism among offenders presenting with Substance Abuse Disorders, Mental Health Disorders or Co-Occurring Disorders.

Indian River County acknowledges that the lead entity for this initiative is the Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network; however, the implementation and tasks associated with this project are mainly the result of the collaboration of many stakeholders including Mental Health Collaborative of Indian River County, Indian River County Mental Health Court, law enforcement, the criminal justice system, behavioral health service programs and other community stakeholders.

Indian River County has a long standing commitment and a vested interest in diverting individuals with mental health disorders and substance abuse issues, away from the criminal justice system and towards effective treatment programs and service providers who can more effectively identify and treat the underlying causes that lead to criminal behavior. For these reasons, Indian River County ardently supports this initiative and its stated goals and objectives in furtherance of the earnest desire to continually seek partnerships and programs in our community aimed at providing diversion measures for this vulnerable population.

Sincerely,

Bob Solari
Chairman