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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Dylan Reingold, County Attorney 
DATE: January 2, 2019
SUBJECT: Criminal Justice, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Program

BACKGROUND

On July 12, 2016, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") authorized the Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network to file a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application to the Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Review Committee for a Florida Department of Children and Families Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment grant (the "Grant"). Indian River County was successful in obtaining the Grant in the amount of \$1.2 million over a three year period. The Grant has been used to assist the Indian River County Mental Health Court program.

On December 5, 2018, the Public Safety Coordinating Council for Criminal Justice, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Program voted to support the application for another Grant which would be used to support expanded services for the mental health court program. The application is due by February 5, 2019. A notice of intent for the Grant is due on January 31, 2019.

FUNDING.

The Application will be for up to \$400,000 per year for three years. The Grant requires a local match equal to the amount of the Grant. The match is the portion of project property and services (staff time, fringe benefits, supplies, equipment, travel, rent, etc.) coming from other than State funds. The match may be derived from Indian River County or private sources. Both "cash" contributions and "in-kind" contributions may be utilized to satisfy the match requirement. A cash match is not required and therefore, I do not anticipate any additional funds necessary to be allocated.

RECOMMENDATION

The County Attorney's Office recommends that the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners approve the attached letter designating Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network to submit a Notice of Intent to file the application for the Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant and authorize the chair to execute the letter. The County Attorney's Office also recommends that the Board authorize Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network to submit a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application to the Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Review Committee for a Florida Department of Children and Families Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment grant.

ATTACHMENTS

Designation Letter