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COMMUNICATION

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 GRANT APPLICATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE DRUG IMPACT REHABILITATION ENHANCED COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT AND REACHING INDEPENDENCE THROUGH SELF-EMPOWERMENT COURT PROGRAMS**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of FY 2025 Grant Applications and Resolutions to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division (CJD). The continuation of the Drug Impact Rehabilitation Enhanced Comprehensive Treatment (DIRECT) Court Program and Reaching Independence Through Self-Empowerment (RISE) Court Program.

**BACKGROUND**

The CJD of the Governor's Office is soliciting competitive applications for projects that support eligible specialty court programs. The purpose of the program is to support specialty courts as defined in Chapter 121 of the Texas Government Code, which incorporates the essential characteristics of:

1. Drug Court Programs from Chapter 123 of the Texas Government Code; and
2. Commercially Sexually Exploited Persons Court Programs from Chapter 126 of the Texas Government Code.

The DIRECT Court Program is an adult drug court designed to coordinate substance abuse intervention for high-risk participants with judicial oversight through enhanced supervision, substance abuse monitoring and individual accountability, allowing participants to achieve a productive, substance-free lifestyle.

The RISE Court Program is a Specialty Court designed to identify and expedite women with extensive histories of prostitution or related offenses through the criminal justice system and help them achieve abstinence from substance abuse, mental stability, permanent housing and educational/work opportunities, and provide them with legal means to maintain a healthy, productive lifestyle.

With approval, the Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) will submit the FY 2025 Grant Application in the amount of \$178,441.00 for the DIRECT Court Program and \$352,463.00 for the RISE Court Program to allow both Court Programs to continue to provide services as mentioned above.

SUBMITTED BY:	Community Supervision and Corrections Department	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Matt Weaver
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The term of the grant is from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

The applications have been reviewed by the Budget and Risk Management Department.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

This grant does not require a grant match.

No indirect costs allowed for this grant.

No operating subsidy required for this grant.