



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/21/2024

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 SPECIALTY COURTS PROGRAM GRANT RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION, FOR THE TARRANT COUNTY FAMILY RECOVERY COURT PROGRAM**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of the FY 2025 Specialty Courts Program Grant Resolution to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division, for the Tarrant County Family Recovery Court Program in the amount of \$45,000.00.

BACKGROUND

The Family Recovery Court Program has been in operation since November 2007 and targets families who are involved with Child Protective Services and whose children (at birth) show positive toxicity for drugs. This program is implemented in collaboration with the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), Challenge of Tarrant County, Lena Pope Home, Inc., and thirty (30) other community partners.

The Family District Courts are seeking \$45,000.00 in grant funding from the OOG to continue the Family Recovery Court Program. Funds will be used to capitalize on current community collaborations to address the recurring issue of substance abuse in cases previously resulting in the termination of parental rights. It is expected that the program will serve approximately fifteen (15) to twenty (20) families during the next grant period.

The Budget and Risk Management Department has reviewed this resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant request is for \$45,000.00. Match is not required for this grant.

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