



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/07/2023

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 ELECTRONIC 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 2024 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 Specialty Court Program has been in continuous operation since October 1, 1994. On October 1, 2015, program administration and staffing transferred from Tarrant County Court Administration to the Tarrant County Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD). The RISE Specialty Court Program has been in continuous operation since February 1, 2011.

Tarrant County CSCD will submit a grant application for continued funding in the amount of \$143,917.00 for the DIRECT Court and \$338,091.00 for the RISE Court for FY 2024. The term of the grant is September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

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

FISCAL IMPACT

No match is required.

SUBMITTED BY:	Community Supervision and Corrections Department	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Tracy Ridge
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