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NOTICE OF COMMISSION, BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEETING

NAME OF COMMISSION,
BOARD OR COMMITTEE: ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION
(SEE BELOW)

TIME OF MEETING: 1:00 pm

DATE OF MEETING: Thursday, February 15, 2024

PLACE OF MEETING: David W. Albrecht Administration Building
112 Otter Avenue, Oshkosh WI
Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room 120
Oshkosh, WI 54901

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SUBJECT MATTER OF THE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of minutes of January 31, 2024, meeting.
4. Update/Discussion: Status of Funding for Airboats Housed at Winneconne Poygan Fire Department, Oshkosh Fire Department and Neenah/Menasha Fire Departments
5. Update/Discussion: Status of where Municipalities stand regarding the \$145,000 Spirit Funds distribution.
6. Update/Discussion: Review of interest earned on the Spirit Funds.
7. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$75,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to NEW Mental Health Connection to Implement Innovative Features in the Service Directory and Update Technology and Website Content (Request \$90,000)
8. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$403,625 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for the Tri-County Dental Clinic, Inc. to Purchase Equipment to Provide Better Dental Care to Those People in Need (Request \$403,625)

9. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$350,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for Child Care Resource and Referral to Support Child Care Providers with Training and Mentoring and In Turn Provide Increased Available Child Care Openings in Winnebago County (Request \$450,000)
10. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$50,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for Pillars, Inc. Ascend Program (Request \$50,000)
11. Discussion/Possible Action: Continue process prioritizing, selection, and determining funding amounts for projects for Spirit Funding with the remaining amount to allocate.
12. Discussion of a housing fund for the remaining Government Identified Community Projects Category 50%
 - Veteran Housing
 - Housing Resource Exchange
13. Discussion on developing a plan for the County Government Projects Category - Administrative 50%
14. Set next meeting date, time, and location.
15. Adjournment

**This meeting is also being posted as a committee meeting for:

- Park View Health Center Committee
- Highway Committee
- Winnebago County Board of Supervisors

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Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
FROM: County Executive
RE: Discussion: Airboat Housed at Winneconne Poygan Fire Department, Oshkosh Fire Department and Neenah/Menasha Fire Departments

General Description:

Funding rescue airboats at area fire departments

Action Requested:

Recommend not to advance due to a congressionally directed spending request from Senator Baldwin

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____
Action taken:	_____	Vote:	_____
County Board:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____

Background

Policy Discussion

The commission approved framework which directed staff to look at other funding in addition to the Spirit Fund. That was done in this case and the county has secured congressionally directed spending (earmark) for this item.

Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: Funding for ice rescue boats needed for rescues of individuals in distress on the recreational lakes and waterways of Winnebago County.

Project Location: Winnebago County, WI

Amount Requested: \$990,000

Attachments:

None

MUNICIPALITIES \$145,000 - SPIRIT FUND

Updated 02/08/2024

- Signed Standard Agreement
- Reimbursement
- Advance
- County Work
- Governing Body Approval of Project
- Narrative of how Project Complies with Framework of Spirit Fund
- Before Pictures
- After Pictures
- Location of Project in WC
- Documentaion procurement procedures followed if applicable
- EFT letter from bank regarding routing number and account number. OR Payee Name and address for Mailing
- W9 Form
- Payment sent to Municipality

City of Menasha	City of Neenah	City of Omro	City of Oshkosh	Town of Algoma	Town of Black Wolf	Town of Clayton	Town of Neenah	Town of Nekimi	Town of Nepeuskun	Town of Omro	Town of Oshkosh	Town of Poygan	Town of Rushford	Town of Utica	Town of Vinland	Town of Winchester	Town of Winneconne	Town of Wolf River	Village of Fox Crossing	Village of Winneconne
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PROJECTS RELATED TO MUNICIPALITIES

City of Menasha	Public Works Facility Solar Phase II Project. ACH done on 9/11/2023
City of Neenah	Project to pave Hunt Avenue, Brookwood Drive and Fairwood Drive. ACH done on 11/9/2023
City of Omro	Jackson/Tyler Street and Sidwalk Improvement Project. ACH on 10/5/2023
City of Oshkosh	Fire Department turnout and bunker gear. ACH on 11/9/2023
Town of Algoma	Road work done by Kartechner Brothers. Paid on 10/19/2023.
Town of Black Wolf	Road Work. ACH 11/9/2023
Town of Clayton	Park located N CTH JJ & E 76 and Reconstruction of Friendship Trail. ACH 10/5/2023
Town of Neenah	Public Restroom at Keating Park. ACH 10/5/2023.
Town of Nekimi	Highway Department to do an Overlay on South Clay Road. Paid 2/5/2024
Town of Nepeuskun	Road Maintenance for Koro Road, 37th Ave and Hilke Road. Paid on 11/22/2023
Town of Omro	Broderick Road, Rivermoor Road, Ninth Street Road, Leonard Point Road, Parada Road. Paid 8/24/2023
Town of Oshkosh	Fire Engine Truck. ACH 11/9/2023
Town of Poygan	Oak Hill Culvert. Paid 11/22/2023
Town of Rushford	Stone School Road improvement project with total cost of \$200,000. Paid on 8/11/2023
Town of Utica	Burr Oak Road overlay Hwy 44 to N. Ripple Road. Paid 11/16/2023
Town of Vinland	Grundman Boat launch half mile stretch leading into park. Paid \$37,668.26 on 2/9/2024
Town of Winchester	Construction of an Accessory Building for Fire Department. Paid on 9/12/2023
Town of Winneconne	Town of Winneconne to build Town Hall garage to house emergency vehicles. Paid 11/22/2023
Town of Wolf River	Email received on wanting to use \$144,000 on a fire truck but not decided on remaining \$1,000
Village of Fox Crossing	Purchase of a Vacuum leaf truck. Paid 10/19/2023
Village of Winneconne	Lake Winneconne Park and Sewall. EFT done on 1/9/2024 for \$145,000.

SPIRT Fund Interest Calculation, Authorization Spend

Date	Principal Deposits	Disbursements	Interest Earned ARPA Funds	Balance
5/19/2021	16,695,459.50			\$ 16,695,459.50
5/31/2021			\$ 594.61	\$ 16,696,054.11
6/30/2021			\$ 1,372.22	\$ 16,697,426.33
7/31/2021			\$ 1,418.07	\$ 16,698,844.40
8/31/2021			\$ 1,418.19	\$ 16,700,262.59
9/30/2021			\$ 1,372.56	\$ 16,701,635.15
10/31/2021			\$ 1,418.43	\$ 16,703,053.58
11/30/2021			\$ 1,372.79	\$ 16,704,426.37
12/31/2021			\$ 1,418.67	\$ 16,705,845.04
1/31/2022			\$ 1,418.79	\$ 16,707,263.83
2/28/2022			\$ 1,281.59	\$ 16,708,545.42
3/31/2022			\$ 1,419.02	\$ 16,709,964.44
4/30/2022			\$ 1,373.36	\$ 16,711,337.80
5/31/2022			\$ 5,082.01	\$ 16,716,419.81
6/30/2022			\$ 7,671.17	\$ 16,724,090.98
7/11/2022	16,695,459.50			\$ 33,419,550.48
7/31/2022			\$ 19,230.51	\$ 33,438,780.99
8/31/2022			\$ 35,500.00	\$ 33,474,280.99
9/30/2022			\$ 51,541.09	\$ 33,525,822.08
10/31/2022			\$ 65,673.70	\$ 33,591,495.78
11/30/2022			\$ 76,284.77	\$ 33,667,780.55
12/31/2022			\$ 97,405.84	\$ 33,765,186.39
Ending Balance 12/31/2022	33,390,919.00		\$ 374,267.39	\$ 33,765,186.39
1/31/2023			\$ 113,579.98	\$ 33,878,766.37
2/28/2023			\$ 105,414.04	\$ 33,984,180.41
3/31/2023		\$ (80,000.00)	\$ 127,620.78	\$ 34,031,801.18
4/30/2023			\$ 128,511.81	\$ 34,160,312.99
5/31/2023		\$ (25,000.00)	\$ 138,114.70	\$ 34,273,427.69
6/30/2023		\$ (75,175.59)	\$ 139,933.81	\$ 34,338,185.91
7/31/2023		\$ (74,325.00)	\$ 147,947.78	\$ 34,411,808.69
8/31/2023		\$ (327,150.00)	\$ 149,744.90	\$ 34,234,403.58
9/30/2023		\$ (312,713.89)	\$ 147,018.68	\$ 34,068,708.37
10/31/2023		\$ (3,036,883.33)	\$ 148,003.44	\$ 31,179,828.48
11/30/2023		\$ (1,430,215.00)	\$ 134,870.78	\$ 29,884,484.27
12/31/2023		\$ (53,538.71)	\$ 136,708.85	\$ 29,967,654.40
Total All Interest		(5,415,001.52)	\$ 1,991,736.92	\$ 29,967,654.40

Updated 01/08/2024

*****Note: Additional Interest Earned estimated \$3,750.00 daily unless money is spent*** per Paul Kaiser 01/30/2024**

SPIRT Fund Interest Calculation, Authorization Spend

Spirit Fund Projects			
Project #	Project Description	Amt Approved	Amt Spent
6000	Priority Based Budgeting	\$ 175,000.00	
	4/3/2023		\$ (80,000.00)
	5/11/2023		\$ (25,000.00)
6001	Motorola APX Radios	\$ 2,725,000.00	\$ (2,206,986.20)
6002	Expo Emergency Generator	\$ 925,000.00	\$ -
	6/21/2023		\$ (850.59)
	9/7/2023		\$ (22,667.90)
	9/25/2023		\$ (45.99)
	11/20/2023		\$ (24,283.70)
	12/5/2023		\$ (7,200.00)
	12/5/2023		\$ (10,800.00)
	12/5/2023		\$ (31,500.00)
	12/13/2023		\$ (160.75)
	12/13/2023		\$ (236.00)
6003	Facilities Condition Assessment	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -
	6/22/2023		\$ (74,325.00)
	7/27/2023		\$ (74,325.00)
	10/12/2023		\$ (37,150.00)
	11/6/2023		\$ (20,000.00)
	11/6/2023		\$ (37,150.00)
	11/6/2023		\$ (32,050.50)
6004	Municipal Improvement Fund	\$ 3,045,000.00	\$ -
	8/11/2023	Town of Rushford	\$ (145,000.00)
	8/24/2023	Town of Omro	\$ (145,000.00)
	9/11/2023	City of Menasha	\$ (145,000.00)
	9/12/2023	Town of Winchester	\$ (145,000.00)
	10/5/2023	City of Omro	\$ (145,000.00)
	10/5/2023	Town of Algoma	\$ (145,000.00)
	10/5/2023	Town of Clayton	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/9/2023	City of Neenah	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/9/2023	City of Oshkosh	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/9/2023	Town of Black Wolf	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/9/2023	Town of Oshkosh	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/16/2023	Town of Neenah	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/22/2023	Village of Fox Crossing	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/22/2023	Town of Nepeuskun	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/22/2023	Town of Poygan	\$ (145,000.00)
	11/25/2023	Town of Winneconne	\$ (145,000.00)
	1/9/2024	Village of Winneconne	\$ (145,000.00)
6005	Land, Water, Conservation, Develop	\$ 3,030,300.00	
	12/21/2023		\$ (1,975.40)
6006	Improve Virtual Capabilities	\$ 150,000.00	
6007	Automated Pay Stations - Boat Landing	\$ 120,000.00	
	11/25/2023		\$ (215.00)
	11/25/2023		\$ (100.00)
	11/25/2023		\$ (7,509.40)
	11/25/2023		\$ (3,803.53)
	12/13/2023		\$ (47.94)
	12/13/2023		\$ (511.40)
	12/13/2023		\$ (629.00)
	12/22/2023		\$ (13.99)
	12/22/2023		\$ (271.57)
	12/22/2023		\$ (187.22)
	12/22/2023		\$ (5.44)
6008	Sheriff DS Officer Stations (Pods)	\$ 314,600.00	
6009	Omro Community Center	\$ 250,000.00	
	11/30/2023		\$ (250,000.00)
6010	Fire Association	\$ 2,100,000.00	
6011	Christine Anne Center	\$ 500,000.00	
6012	St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -
Total		\$ 14,134,900.00	\$ (5,560,001.52)

Updated for 01/31/2024 meeting		Draft resolutions from 01/17/2024 meeting highlighted				\$ 16,695,000	
App. #		Organization	Project	Cost of project	Requested amount	Recommended or passed	Comments from Commission
7	Resolution passed	Omro Community Center	Property acquisition/ community and aging focused	\$ 485,500	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Resolution passed
55	Resolution passed	Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services, Inc	Property acquisition/ transitional housing	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 500,000	Resolution passed
33	Resolution passed	St. Vincent de Paul Neenah/Menasha	Renovation of new building (?)	\$ 970,196	\$ 970,196	\$ 500,000	Resolution passed
4	Resolution passed	Greater Fox Cities Area Habitat for Humanity	Low-income housing	\$ 2,370,238	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	Resolution passed
6	Returned to Spirit for questions	Nova Counseling	Terra Project- Property expansion/ AODA	\$ 1,900,776	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	Sober living transitional housing
8	Resolution passed	Solutions Recovery	Property acquisition/AODA recovery	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	Resolution passed
9	Request to hold	Oshkosh YMCA	Property expansion/ Childcare	\$ 3,832,438	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	evaluating another childcare option, unsure of project cost
11	Resolution passed	OshkoshBoys & Girls Club	Property expansion/ youth focused	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 500,000	Resolution passed
14	Requested to withdraw	Damascus Road Project- Inc.	Property acquisition/ Human-Trafficking	\$ 1,000,000			DRP requested to withdraw application
38	Resolution Failed	Fox Valley Data Exchange (DEX)	Technology, Data collection	\$ 1,050,000	\$ 300,000		Failed to gain Spirit votes to move forward.
65		People of Progression Inc	Property acquisition/ Serving black/brown community	\$ 60,000		\$ -	Unsure what county function this serves? Concerns with funding reno of leased building.
5		NEW Mental Health Connection	Updates to technology and website content updates?	\$ 180,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 75,000.00	Spirit wanted more clarification on what they do.
29		First 5 Fox Valley, Inc	Programming	\$ 450,000	\$ 300,000		Would like more detail: bring to Oshkosh area, coordiate with BGC community center.
40		Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.	Hardware upgrades	\$ 807,250	\$ 403,625	\$ 403,625.00	Discussed only funding the Building to house of dental bus, cost: \$200K
56	HOLD per Co. Exec.	YMCA of the Fox Cities	Property Expansion or Programming?	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 500,000		HOLD Per CO. Exec.
13		Child Care Resource and Referral	Childcare	\$ 915,000	\$ 450,000	\$ 350,000.00	get more info to explain "expansion" is this a one time request? Sustainability.
58		Pillars, Inc.	Ascend Program - updates to Winn. Co. housing units	\$ 215,405	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000.00	semi-independent affordable housing program for young adults living with mental health challenges.

layover until 1st mtg in March

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App. #		Organization	Project	Cost of project	Requested amount	Recommended or passed	Comments from Commission
Remaining Organizational request to review:							\$ 2,793,625
Municipalities/ Other Govt.							
	Resolution Passed	Fire Chief's Association	Collective Fire Radio request for all Winnebago County	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,100,000	Resolution Passed
	Resolution Passed	Funding to Local Governments	Funding for each municipality to determin their greatest need		\$ 3,045,000	\$ 3,045,000	Resolution Passed
	Resolution Passed	Land and Water Conservation	Efforts to improve soil and water health in the county		\$ 3,030,300	\$ 3,030,300	Resolution Passed
	Resolution Passed	Expo Center Resiliency	Projects to improve Sunnyview's ability to be used in an emergency response		\$ 925,000	\$ 925,000	Resolution Passed
48	Recommended by commission	Menasha:	mobile traffic barriers as well as transport equipment to bring them from storage to the community event taking place	\$ 184,957	\$ 184,957	\$ 184,957	
47		Menasha:	Cost to move Winnebago County Housing Authority Office to new location - (Moving the Office); Water Street Plan \$4M	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000		
43	Recommended by commission	Town of Algoma:	the South leg of a 2-lane roundabout at Leonard Point Road and STH 21	\$ 6,300,000.00	\$ 387,500	\$ 387,500	
16		Omro	old, dilapidated water and sewer utility crossing under the Fox River	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 500,000	\$ 343,000	Layover
24		Omro	Hire MSA Engineering to conduct a drainage plan	\$ 25,000.00			
27	Recommended by commission	Neenah:	vehicle barrier system	\$ 600,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	
61	Requested to withdraw	Oshkosh:	Commonwealth Development is proposing to develop a 55-unit low-	\$ 19,291,481			
62	Requested to withdraw	Oshkosh:	Affordable workforce housing	\$ 1,595,000			
15	Requested to withdraw	Oshkosh Housing Authority	Homelessness project: constructing 32 one and two bedroom apartments	\$ 6,500,000			
66		Winneconne:	Remodel of Barn in the Lake Winneconne Park	\$ 150,000			*see notes below, combined ask:
31		Winneconne:	improvement and addition of boat docks/piers, fish cleaning station, larger bulk heads, extended parking and facility upgrades to winneconne park *See Breakout:		\$ 324,500	\$ 324,500	Discussion that this was a park turned over by the county, should county fund the renovation then Winneconne would plan for future upgrades.
			Boat Trailer parking	\$ 396,000			
			Additional Car Parking	\$ 59,000			

Updated for 01/31/2024 meeting		Draft resolutions from 01/17/2024 meeting highlighted			\$ 16,695,000		
App. #		Organization	Project	Cost of project	Requested amount	Recommended or passed	Comments from Commission
			<i>Invasive species wash station</i>	\$ 15,000			
			<i>Fish cleaning station</i>	\$ 236,000			
30		Neenah/Menasha Fire	Emergency Service - Training facility	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	
			Remaining municipality requests for review:				\$ 650,000
		Other - potential housing initiative				Total amount Spirit recommended AND Co. Board approved	Total amount approved by County Board
Totals for approvals:						\$ 15,768,882	\$ 11,850,300
Remaining amount to allocate from Government Identified category						\$ 926,118	\$ 4,844,700
Remaining amount of requests to review:							\$ 3,443,625
Difference between remaining amount to review vs. amount available to allocate:							\$ (2,517,507)

First 5 Fox Valley:

In 2019, Winnebago county passed a resolution (132-042019) committing to investing in young children & families in Winnebago County and states that “research shows that when investment is made in the first 3 years of a child’s life, the returns for the community are the highest, and the need for more expensive interventions later is reduced... an deliver an annual return of up to 13% per child on upfront costs”.

The Help me Grow database is a state-wide model that offers a way to track families and progress on childhood development to eliminate gaps in services and ensure families have all resources available to them. The database tracking is only one piece of the program, navigators then identify areas where additional support could be directed and assist families in accessing those supports. This funding would allow First 5 to expand their capacity and services throughout Winnebago county and offer a more comprehensive program.

ChildCare Resources & Referral (CCR&R):

Similarly, CCR&R has identified ways to address the childcare crisis in Winnebago County.

Childcare centers are struggling to fill staffing positions, labor shortages, low wages and few benefits associated with working in the childcare industry means providers are hiring to fill spots vs. looking for quality staff. Providers are struggling to cover the cost and cover the vacancies to send staff to outside training (which currently is not required for hire). With vacancies, families are either turned away or centers are pushed to capacity causing burnout of the untrained staff.

The request includes expansion of a substitute teacher pool, to allow in-home and group providers temporary assistance to cover for planned and unplanned absence. In-home providers are leaving the field due to the inability to close. They understand the challenges for the families when they need to shut down for illness or planned procedures, when those issues arise, instead of turning to an untrained friend or family member for assistance, the substitute teacher pool would be available. Funding would cover the costs to providers initially and grow into a pay for use program.

CCR&R has seen success of this model in other counties they serve and would like to bring it to Winnebago County.

NEW Mental Health:

Providing wide-ranging assistance to the general public, providers, navigators, law enforcement, behavioral health organizations, etc. This site also serves as a supplement to Winnebago County human services. The majority of the website’s users (72%) are from Winnebago County. The improvements will provide much needed enhancements to the service directory, expand on website design, engagement and implementation to a broad range of users in Winnebago County. Due to an end of year (unexpected) donation, the project would be able to move ahead with the project with a revised request of:

- \$20,000 for year 1
- \$25,000 for year 2
- \$30,000 for year 3

Funding request can be reduced from \$90,000 to **\$75,000**.

The content improvements are a one-time, permanent, and sustainable for high-quality content, design work and integration into the website. The funds will not support the NEW Mental Health Connection, they will support the website improvement. Once completed, the upkeep of the new website features and content will be funded by their existing, annual membership dues.

Tri-County Dental:

Winnebago County residents comprise about 40% of all Tri-County Dental patients, even though the fixed-site clinic is not located in Winnebago County. Tri-County Dental's mobile clinic provides care at their schools to children in 25 Winnebago County schools, removing barriers to them getting care and allowing them to spend more time in the classroom. In 2022, 46% of the children receiving care on the mobile clinic go to school in Winnebago County.

Mobile clinic (dental Bus) costs are around \$200,000 for a custom build-out in the existing ManCave condominium storage facility. We were pleased to hear how creative Tri-County Dental was with this option as it would be a considerable cost savings vs. purchasing land and building from the ground up (quotes were in excess of \$300,000).

Pillars:

The funds would address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households (all residents of Winnebago County).

While Pillars serves households across the tri-county area, the funds applied for in Pillars' Winnebago Spirit Fund application would be restricted to Ascend (both program and non-program units) located in Neenah. Therefore, all 25 households (totaling 38 people as of today) are Winnebago County residents. This program works with young adults experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges.

We were impressed that Pillars is exploring their sustainability plan in light of some of the funding challenges in the Fox Cities. They've hosted a workgroup to start conversation on partnering with other organizations that specialize in mental health programming, diversifying their revenue streams and displacing some expenses, allowing Pillars to focus on their area of expertise, housing.

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3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$75,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category to NEW Mental Health Connection to Implement**
5 **Innovative Features in the Service Directory and Update Technology and Website**
6 **Content**

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8 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

9 **WHEREAS**, NEW Mental Health Connection provides online and easily accessible resources that enhance
10 and work to direct community members to county services including Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office,
11 and others; and

12 **WHEREAS**, NEW Mental Health Connection has seen usage and need skyrocket during and in the wake of
13 the pandemic; and

14 **WHEREAS**, with an average of 48 visits per day to the Men's Self-Care Toolkit, over 560 people have
15 watched stories related to mental health issues among men in the previous reporting period; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Crisis Services page was accessed over 1500 times in 2020 and the number was doubled in
17 2023.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$75,000 from
19 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved to NEW Mental Health Connection to
20 implement innovative features in the Service Directory and update technology and website content for NEW Mental
21 Health Connection.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion of the
23 project, NEW Mental Health Connection will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance
24 Director outlining the expenditures. The documentation will be submitted within 6 months of the completion of the
25 project but not to exceed 5 years from date of disbursement.

26 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that NEW Mental Health
27 Connection shall be responsible for reimbursement to Winnebago County for any disbursed funds which are
28 determined by Winnebago County to have been misused or misappropriated. Any reimbursement of funds which is
29 required by Winnebago County shall be due within 45 days after giving written notice to recipient of such misuse or
30 misappropriation.

31 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$75,000 will be authorized for use from the*
32 *Spirit Fund.*

33 Respectfully submitted by:

34 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

35 Commission Vote:

36 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

37 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2024.

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40 Jonathan D. Doemel
41 Winnebago County Executive

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: NEW Mental Health Connection request for \$90,000 in Spirit Funds to implement innovative features in the Service Directory and update technology and website content.

General Description:

NEW Mental Health Connection resources including Men's Self-Care Toolkit and crisis services pages have seen an increase in community need reflected in the usage of our web-based, mental health and substance use service navigation tool, called www.MyConnectionNEW.org.

Action Requested:

NEW Mental Health Connection request for \$90,000 in Spirit Funds to update to technology and website content updates that provide web-based, mental health and substance use services.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: ARPA Strategy & Outcomes Commission Meeting date: 01/31/2024

Background:

Currently jointly funded by ARPA money from the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, as well as grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin and ThedaCare Community funds, NEW Mental Health Connection has seen usage and need skyrocket during and in the wake of the pandemic. With an average of 48 visits per day to the Men's Self-Care Toolkit, over 560 people have watched stories related to mental health issues among men in the previous reporting period. The Crisis Services page was accessed over 1500 times in 2020, and that has been steadily increasing to double that in 2023. The widely used, and successful development of the We Heart You App, resource for mobile phones, used ARPA funds from the City of Appleton and Outagamie County

Policy Discussion:

This money would be used for costs of creating a better website.

The commission has recognized Government Identified Community Projects that support or enhance county services:

- 1) NEW Mental Health Connection provides online and easily accessible resources that enhance and work to direct community members to county services including Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.
- 2) \$90,000 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to immediate resources and links to county programs

**Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: NEW Mental Health Connection
Assigned Application Number: 5**

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 5

Request from: NEW Mental Health Connection

Type of project: Updates to technology and website content updates?

General Scope of Project: New, innovative features to Service Directory

Project Lead: Organization

Primary location: N/A

of individuals served by project: We anticipate over 100,000 visits to the website in 2023.

Areas served: City of Oshkosh and Winnebago County are our biggest users (72%) in 2023, as identified by IP address.

Lasting impact: Locally, we have been able to see the increase in community need reflected in the usage of our web-based, mental health and substance use service navigation tool, called www.MyConnectionNEW.org. This is not a new service in the community, but its usage and need have skyrocketed during and in the wake of the pandemic. There are an average of 48 visits per day to the Men's Self-Care Toolkit, and over 560 people have watched stories related to mental health issues among men. The crisis services page was accessed over 1500 times in 2020, and that has been steadily increasing to double that in 2023.

Completion Date: N/A

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$180,000.00

Requested Amount: 90,000

Other Funding: 2023 – This project is currently jointly funded by ARPA funding through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, two separate project grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and ThedaCare Communi

Is full Amt Required: We will be unable to make the quality, content and user improvements without this funding. We will be able to fund the maintenance fee and keep the website functioning as is.

Other Govt. Funding: Only ARPA - City of Appleton
We received ARPA funds to support website quality improvement efforts and the development of the We Heart You App from Outagamie County in 2021 and City of Appleton in 2022.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:
none other than City of Appleton ARPA funding.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: NEW Mental Health Connection
Assigned Application Number: 5

Winnebago County Health Department serves as a passthrough for grant funding on behalf of the NEW Mental Health Connection, but we have never received funding from Winnebago County.

Other ARPA Funds: Our first government funding in our history was COVID Recovery Funds (ARPA) accessed through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County's ARPA funding processes in the last two years.

Ongoing Maint: N/A

Increase to Operational budget: No

Legacy: Long-term impact

One-time funding: Undetermined?

Some funds are for maintenance fees-does this qualify?

Geographic service area: Winn. Co.

Other funding: 2023 – This project is currently jointly funded by ARPA funding through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, two separate project grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and ThedaCare Communi

Notes: Need clarification: what is the specific project within the organization that NEW MH is requesting to fund with Spirit funds? Is this to cover the costs of identified updates that are needed for a specific purpose/to add a specific function that is missin

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

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3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$403,625 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category for the Tri-County Dental Clinic, Inc. To Purchase**
5 **Equipment to Provide Better Dental Care to Those People in Need**

6 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

7 **WHEREAS**, Tri-County Dental Clinic, Inc (hereinafter "Tri-County Dental") is a volunteer-based dental clinic
8 whose mission is to provide quality oral health care in a caring and compassionate manner; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Tri-County Dental serves individuals in Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago counties whose
10 access to dental health care is limited due to income constraints or receiving Medicaid benefits; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Tri-County Dental's focus is on children and providing quality care and early education so
12 children maintain a healthy mouth throughout their lives; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Tri-County Community Dental Clinic will purchase equipment and fortify their organization to be
14 better prepared to serve Winnebago County's community members with dental care needs and enhance services
15 provided by Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$403,625 from
17 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved for the Tri-County Dental to purchase
18 equipment to provide better dental care to those people in need.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion of the
20 project, Tri-County Dental will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance Director outlining
21 the expenditures. The documentation will be submitted within 6 months of the completion of the project but not to
22 exceed 5 years from date of disbursement.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Tri-County Dental shall
24 be responsible for reimbursement to Winnebago County for any disbursed funds which are determined by
25 Winnebago County to have been misused or misappropriated. Any reimbursement of funds which is required by
26 Winnebago County shall be due within 45 days after giving written notice to recipient of such misuse or
27 misappropriation.

28 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$403,625 will be authorized for use from the*
29 *Spirit Fund.*

30 Respectfully submitted by:

31 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

32 Commission Vote:

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34 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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36 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2024.

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40 Jonathan D. Doemel
41 Winnebago County Executive

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc. request for \$403,625 in Spirit Funds to purchase items with three main focuses: an enhanced patient experience through updated tools; environmental and financial sustainability and emergency and disaster preparedness for the clinic property; financial stability with permanent mobile clinic storage.

General Description:

Tri-County Community Dental Clinic will purchase equipment to provide better dental care and with cutting-edge technology, we can compete for higher-caliber Fellows – recent dental school graduates who spend a year honing their skills.

Action Requested:

Tri-County Community Dental Clinic request for \$403,625 in Spirit Funds to purchase dental equipment, improve environmental and financial stability of clinic, be better prepared for disasters, and provide storage for mobile clinic.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: ARPA Strategy & Outcomes Commission Meeting date: 01/31/2024

Background:

Tri-County Dental is a volunteer-based dental clinic whose mission is to provide quality oral health care in a caring and compassionate manner. We serve individuals in Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago counties whose access to dental health care is limited due to income constraints or receiving Medicaid benefits. Our focus is on children and providing quality care and education early so they maintain a healthy mouth throughout their lives.

Policy Discussion:

The commission has recognized Government Identified Community Projects that support or enhance county services:

- 1) Tri-County Community Dental Clinic will purchase equipment and fortify their organization to be better prepared to serve Winnebago County's community members with dental care needs and enhance services provided by Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.
- 2) \$403,625 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to quality, essential dental care from dental professionals training to deliver innovative treatment.

Attachments:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Organization: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Sandy Drexler

Name of person completing survey: Sandy Drexler

Email: sdrexler@tricountydental.org

Phone: 920.882.9989

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): Tri-County Dental is a volunteer-based dental clinic whose mission is to provide quality oral health care in a caring and compassionate manner. We serve individuals in Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago counties whose access to dental health care is limited due to income constraints or receiving Medicaid benefits. Our focus is on children and providing quality care and education early so they maintain a healthy mouth throughout their lives.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: Funds will be used to purchase items with three main focuses: an enhanced patient experience through updated tools; environmental and financial sustainability and emergency and disaster preparedness for the clinic property; financial stability with permanent mobile clinic storage.

1. Updated dental equipment and supporting technology to modernize our resources. These items will make us more attractive to our three groups who provide dentistry: Tri-County Dental Fellows; Marquette University School of Dentistry students; and volunteer dentists, who provide services and teach and supervise the students. With cutting-edge technology, we can compete for higher-caliber Fellows – recent dental school graduates who spend a year honing their skills and doing approximately 40% of our dentistry. Marquette University School of Dentistry, whose students provide a roughly one-third of our dentistry, consistently updates its equipment, and we need to stay current to be one of their off-site partners. The new technology can increase the number of volunteer dentists we have. For some, they will be able to use the technology they rely on in their office, making it more comfortable and easier to volunteer. For those who aren't using the new technology, it will allow them to be exposed to it without having to make the significant financial investment. More dentists using newer technology can improve dental services for us all. Here are the specifics:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

o Treat dental decay – dental lasers, electric handpieces

☑ Tooth decay is the second most common disease, after the common cold. Lasers remove decay without shots and the sound of drilling, reducing patient anxiety, especially with children who comprise 75% of our patients.

☑ Not all decay can be removed with lasers. Electric handpieces are a more recent innovation to remove decay and are the technology dental schools are currently using and/or moving to.

o Produce highly accurate dental images with 10 times less radiation using Cone Beam Computer Tomography (CBCT). Both hard and soft tissue images are captured, allowing for more accurate and safer diagnoses.

o Create crowns and flippers (removable artificial teeth) with a 3D printer. Priority will be given to children and veterans who have had front teeth removed, improving their self-confidence and self-esteem and the integrity of their mouth structure and bite. This will be a new service for us, and one we can do in our office in one visit, highly desirable so adults miss less work.

o Enhanced computer servers are a necessary one-time purchase to support any or all of the new lasers, CBCT and 3D printer.

o Intra-oral cameras and screens and televisions in each of our 13 operatories will be used to educate patients, reduce anxiety and enhance the patient experience. The cameras create images that can be projected onto the screen to show the patient the issues with their teeth or the great care they've been taking of their mouth. While the dental work is being done, the television can be used to watch videos, shows or movies to provide a distraction for the patient.

o Monitors in the lobby can be used to educate patients and patients' parents, as they are a captive audience when waiting for their children. We would like to use this time to provide education about good dental care. Daily dental care for kids is something that requires parental knowledge and follow up and makes a significant difference in children's outcomes. The current monitor in the team

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

conference room can't be seen by all team members when we gather for a training or education. It would be beneficial to have a screen that is visible to all.

- o Phones and computers – our current phone system is decades old. A new system will allow us to contact patients using enhanced text technology and to mask when personal cell phones are used for follow up. Our computers are four years old and the infrastructure behind them is older. We'd like to improve our overall efficiency with updated computers.

2. Improve the environmental and financial sustainability of the clinic; prepare for disasters

- o Using solar technology would bring down our clinic's electric bills and generate 85% of the power we consume, dropping our bills from \$5,000 to \$750 a year. As our roof is 20 years old, we would replace the roof before installing the solar panels.

- o The addition of a generator would position the clinic to provide patient care during emergencies and disasters. Treating dental and other minor emergencies in our clinic would keep people out of hospital emergency departments so their attention can be focused on the most critical patients. We could also provide shelter, should it be needed.

3. Provide consistent storage for the mobile clinic, increasing our financial and physical stability.

- o Historically, we have used donated or leased space for our mobile clinic. In the last three years, we have stored the mobile clinic in three different locations, one of which is 30 miles away from our clinic and further from the schools we serve. The mobile clinic is essential to our ability to treat kids in their schools and is a \$700,000 unit that needs to have a heated storage space to protect the dental equipment to keep it from freezing and breaking. The facility needs floor drains to remove safely the waste liquid and a water source to fill the tanks. To have our own permanent storage space with close proximity to our partner schools would be a game-changer and provide needed stability.

A spreadsheet specifically outlines the cost of each component of the overall proposal.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Internal. Can be done in collaboration with Winnebago County Health Department

Where is the primary location of the project? 9 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, with the mobile clinic visiting 13 schools in Oshkosh and 11 in Neenah as well as the Boys and Girls Clubs in Oshkosh and Menasha.

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? In 2022, care was provided during 4,720 patient visits to our fixed-site and mobile clinics from Menasha, Neenah and Oshkosh residents. Each year, about 40% of our patients are from Winnebago County.

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve? We partner with the Oshkosh and Neenah School districts for our Robert Glass Focus on the Children school-based program giving free dental care on our mobile clinic to 25 Winnebago County schools. At the fixed-site clinic, we treat qualifying Winnebago C

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The impact of this investment in our equipment, facilities and infrastructure will keep increasing over time, as the equipment upgrades will allow us to:

- Attract higher-quality Fellow program candidates, who will produce better and faster dentistry in their tenure, serving more patients and improving the quality of care.
- Strengthen our relationship with Marquette University School of Dentistry.
- Update our dental technology, so we can recruit more volunteer dentists.
- Improve the patient experience so visit consistency increases, resulting in a reduction in the number of cavities and large cavities and extractions needed. When we reduce or remove dental pain, children are more likely to pay attention and do better in school, adults can be more productive and spend less time away from work, and patients' quality of life is improved. The clinic operating costs will decrease as the use of solar energy will substantially lower clinic electric bills, more than overcoming any additional draw that the new equipment will have. In the event of an emergency or disaster in our community, the clinic will be able to address people's dental needs, be used to treat other patients if needed, and can provide shelter.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

In what stage is the project? Ready to implement

What is the estimated completion date? 45536

Estimated cost of the entire project: 807250

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: 403625

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? No. While some of the dental equipment upgrades would require computer infrastructure to support them, any of the components can be funded separately.

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Wisconsin Healthcare Infrastructure Grant - \$160,000 in 2022 toward the purchase of dental chairs that cost \$236,000.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services - \$75,000 in 2023 for salaries and dental supplies; \$29,858 in 2021 for general support.

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What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? 0.5

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: None

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Tri-County is responsible and has an experienced property manager and dental service technicians.

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Operating cost increases would be in our energy costs. Our proposal is designed specifically so any energy cost increase will be covered by the solar panels, which will also reduce significantly our overall expenses.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

CBCTs, dental lasers and electric handpieces have lifespans that should last several decades. All dental equipment requires maintenance, which we build into our budget every year.

Owning storage for our mobile clinic will eliminate the lease that we currently have. We already pay for electricity and water, so those costs won't change.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 40

Request from: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.

Type of project: Hardware upgrades

General Scope of Project: Hardware/Technology?

Project Lead: Internal. Can be done in collaboration with Winnebago County Health Department

Primary location: 9 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, with the mobile clinic visiting 13 schools in Oshkosh and 11 in Neenah as well as the Boys and Girls Clubs in Oshkosh and Menasha.

of individuals served by project: In 2022, care was provided during 4,720 patient visits to our fixed-site and mobile clinics from Menasha, Neenah and Oshkosh residents. Each year, about 40% of our patients are from Winnebago County.

Areas served: We partner with the Oshkosh and Neenah School districts for our Robert Glass Focus on the Children school-based program giving free dental care on our mobile clinic to 25 Winnebago County schools. At the fixed-site clinic, we treat qualifying Winnebago C

Lasting impact: The impact of this investment in our equipment, facilities and infrastructure will keep increasing over time, as the equipment upgrades will allow us to:

- Attract higher-quality Fellow program candidates, who will produce better and faster dentistry in their tenure, serving more patients and improving the quality of care.
- Strengthen our relationship with Marquette University School of Dentistry.
- Update our dental technology, so we can recruit more volunteer dentists.
- Improve the patient experience so visit consistency increases, resulting in a reduction in the number of cavities and large cavities and extractions needed. When we reduce or remove dental pain, children are more likely to pay attention and do better in school, adults can be more productive and spend less time away from work, and patients' quality of life is improved. The clinic operating costs will decrease as the use of solar energy will substantially lower clinic electric bills, more than overcoming any additional draw that the new equipment will have. In the event of an emergency or disaster in our community, the clinic will be able to address people's dental needs, be used to treat other patients if needed, and can provide shelter.

Completion Date: Sep-24

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$807,250

Requested Amount: 403,625

Other Funding: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Is full Amt Required: No. While some of the dental equipment upgrades would require computer infrastructure to support them, any of the components can be funded separately.

Other Govt. Funding: Wisconsin Healthcare Infrastructure Grant - \$160,000 in 2022 toward the purchase of dental chairs that cost \$236,000.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services - \$75,000 in 2023 for salaries and dental supplies; \$29,858 in 2021 for general support.

Federal Department of Health & Human Resources Administration - \$6,830 in 2021 for general support.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

50%

Other ARPA Funds: None

Ongoing Maint: Tri-County is responsible and has an experienced property manager and dental service technicians.

Increase to Operational budget: Operating cost increases would be in our energy costs. Our proposal is designed specifically so any energy cost increase will be covered by the solar panels, which will also reduce significantly our overall expenses.

CBCTs, dental lasers and elect

Legacy: impact of service

One-time funding: yes

Geographic service area: Neenah and Oshkosh

Other funding: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Notes: Technology/hardware we feel since they cover 3 counties, the ask should be for 1/3 of the project. They do list details so specific programs/projects could be selected

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

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3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$350,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category for Child Care Resource and Referral To Support**
5 **Child Care Providers with Training and Mentoring and In Turn Provide Increased**
6 **Available Child Care Openings in Winnebago County**

7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

8 **WHEREAS**, Child Care Resource and Referral is a community-based non-profit agency offering services to
9 parents, child care providers, employers, and the community that improve the quality and accessibility of early
10 childhood education and care; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Child Care Resource and Referral supports child care providers with training and mentoring
12 and enhances services provided by Public Health and Human Services.

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$350,000 from
14 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved for Child Care Resource and Referral
15 to support child care providers with training and mentoring to increase available childcare openings in Winnebago
16 County.

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion of the
18 project, Child Care Resource and Referral will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance
19 Director outlining the expenditures. The documentation will be submitted within 6 months of the completion of the
20 project but not to exceed 5 years from date of disbursement.

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Child Care Resource and
22 Referral shall be responsible for reimbursement to Winnebago County for any disbursed funds which are determined
23 by Winnebago County to have been misused or misappropriated. Any reimbursement of funds which is required by
24 Winnebago County shall be due within 45 days after giving written notice to recipient of such misuse or
25 misappropriation.

26 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$350,000 will be authorized for use from the*
27 *Spirit Fund.*

28 Respectfully submitted by:

29 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

30 Commission Vote:

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32 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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34 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2024.

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38 Jonathan D. Doemel
39 Winnebago County Executive

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Child Care Resource and Referral request for \$450,000 in Spirit Funds to support child care providers with training and mentoring, to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers, and to aid in increasing available child care openings in Winnebago County.

General Description:

Child Care Resource and Referral supports child care providers with training and mentoring to provide more child care slots in Winnebago County. This would be exceptionally helpful in the areas considered a child care desert.

Action Requested:

Child Care Resource and Referral request for \$450,000 in Spirit Funds to support child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: ARPA Strategy & Outcomes Commission Meeting date: 01/31/2024

Background:

Child Care Resource and Referral receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services and receives limited funds as a base contract from DCF. CCR&R is a community-based non-profit agency offering services to parents, child care providers, employers, and the community that improve the quality and accessibility of early childhood education and care.

Policy Discussion:

This request could be considered program/operational and not one-time capital funds.

The commission has recognized Government Identified Community Projects that support or enhance county services:

- 1) Child Care Resource and Referral supports child care providers with training and mentoring and enhance services provided by Public Health and Human Services, as well as county-wide economic development.
- 2) \$450,000 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to quality childcare providers with the resources they need to continue providing services or expand services.

Attachments:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Organization: Child Care Resource and Referral

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Candy Hall

Name of person completing survey: Candy Hall

Email: candyh@ccrrfoxvalley.org

Phone: 9203768598

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): CCR&R is a community-based non-profit agency offering services to parents, child care providers, employers, and the community that improve the quality and accessibility of early childhood education and care.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: It supports child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers that could provide more child care slots in Winnebago County. This would be exceptionally helpful in the areas considered a child care desert.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Winnebago County Public Health

Where is the primary location of the project? Winnebago County

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 92 child care providers

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve? all of Winnebago County

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The lasting impact would be to increase the number of quality child care slots in the County. This allows families to work and trust that their child is cared for safely. Families that have care for their children can provide for their family and contribute to the community, and children that are in safe care are better performers in school and as adults.

In what stage is the project? Ready to implement

What is the estimated completion date? Dec-26

Estimated cost of the entire project: \$915,000

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: \$450,000

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: unrestricted funds and in kind

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? Yes

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2

years? if so, please list Our agency receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services. We also receive limited funds as a base contract from DCF.

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? A small percentage will be funded by certification contracts.

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: Calumet County
\$689,782.50

Waupaca County \$1,202,700.00

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Child Care Resource and Referral

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Child Care Resource and Referral will continue to support the programs that benefit from the ARPA dollars by maintaining our continuous search for grant funding and continuing the relationships built with the agency to support child care in Winnebago County.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 13

Request from: Child Care Resource and Referral

Type of project: Childcare

General Scope of Project: To support child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers (to aid in opening additional child care slots)

Project Lead: Winnebago County Public Health

Primary location: Winnebago County

of individuals served by project: 92 child care providers
Areas served: all of Winnebago County

Lasting impact: The lasting impact would be to increase the number of quality child care slots in the County. This allows families to work and trust that their child is cared for safely. Families that have care for their children can provide for their family and contribute to the community, and children that are in safe care are better performers in school and as adults.

Completion Date: Dec-26
Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$915,000

Requested Amount: 450,000

Other Funding: unrestricted funds and in kind

Is full Amt Required: Yes
Other Govt. Funding: Our agency receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services. We also receive limited funds as a base contract from DCF.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:
A small percentage will be funded by certification contracts.

Other ARPA Funds: Calumet County \$689,782.50
Waupaca County \$1,202,700.00

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Ongoing Maint: Child Care Resource and Referral

Increase to Operational budget: Child Care Resource and Referral will continue to support the programs that benefit from the ARPA dollars by maintaining our continuous search for grant funding and continuing the relationships built with the agency to support child care in Winnebago Coun

Legacy: N/A

One-time funding: request for operations? ongoing expenses.

Geographic service area: Winn. Co.

Other funding: unrestricted funds and in kind

Notes: \$450,000: funding for training, suplimenting wages

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

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3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$50,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category for Pillars, Inc Ascend Program**

5 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

6 **WHEREAS**, Pillars, Inc (hereinafter "Pillars") provides shelter, support, and solutions to address the housing
7 needs in our community; and

8 **WHEREAS**, since the inception of the program in 2017, the Ascend Program has served over 80 young
9 adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Pillars acts and advocates on their own and in partnership with others to increase access to
11 affordable housing; and

12 **WHEREAS**, funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will address overdue and underfunded
13 maintenance for 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Ascend Program participants pay monthly program fees (which cover housing and all other
15 program costs e.g. case management and professional counseling services) 70% below market rate; and

16 **WHEREAS**, affordable rent helps support participants in establishing financial stability and self-sufficiency.

17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$50,000 from
18 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved for Pillars, Inc. Ascend Program.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion of the
20 project, Pillars will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance Director outlining the
21 expenditures. The documentation will be submitted within 6 months of the completion of the project but not to exceed
22 5 years from date of disbursement.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Pillars shall be
24 responsible for reimbursement to Winnebago County for any disbursed funds which are determined by Winnebago
25 County to have been misused or misappropriated. Any reimbursement of funds which is required by Winnebago
26 County shall be due within 45 days after giving written notice to recipient of such misuse or misappropriation.

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28 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$50,000 will be authorized for use from the*
29 *Spirit Fund.*

30 Respectfully submitted by:

31 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

32 Commission Vote:

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34 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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36 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2024.

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39 _____
40 Jonathan D. Doemel
41 Winnebago County Executive

Agenda Item Report



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The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Pillars, Inc. request for \$50,000 in Spirit Funds in support of facilities and maintenance of a semi-independent program (Ascend) that provides supportive services and independent living skills paired with affordable housing for young adults living with mental health challenges.

General Description:

From homelessness to coming home, Pillars provides shelter, support, and solutions to address the housing needs in our community. Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

Action Requested:

Pillars, Inc. request for \$50,000 in Spirit Funds to support the Ascend program.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: ARPA Strategy & Outcomes Commission Meeting date: 01/31/2024

Background:

Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend, a program of Pillars, has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

Pillars acts and advocates, on our own and in partnership with others, to increase access to affordable housing. As such, Ascend program participants pay monthly program fees (which cover housing and all other program costs like case management and professional counseling services) 70% below market rate. This affordable rent helps support participants in establishing financial stability and self-sufficiency.

Policy Discussion:

The commission has recognized Government Identified Community Projects that support or enhance county services:

- 1) Pillars and the Ascend program's goal is to stability of safe, affordable housing in conjunction with resources for mental health support, education, employment, and basic living skills, program participants are set up for a lifetime of success and self-sufficiency.
- 2) \$50,000 Spirit Fund Grant will make that possible for the 25 households who reside in Ascend units in Winnebago County to receive services.

Attachments:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Pillars, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 58

Organization: Pillars, Inc.

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Lisa Strandberg, Executive Director

Name of person completing survey: Alona Boots

Email: aboots@pillarsinc.org

Phone: (920) 734 - 9192 x116

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): From homelessness to coming home, Pillars provides shelter, support, and solutions to address the housing needs in our community.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes.

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: Pillars requests \$50,00 in support of facilities and maintenance of Ascend. Ascend is a semi-independent program that provides supportive services and independent living skills paired with affordable housing for young adults living with mental health challenges. Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

The 16 units that make up Ascend are owned and managed by Pillars. The housing is broken into two categories: Program Units and Non-Program Units (rental units). Program units are dedicated to housing Ascend participants while the remainder of the units are rented out below market rate. Rental income generated by these non-program units helps support the overall operations of Ascend. However, this rental income is not enough to sustain the program on its own.

Pillars acts and advocates, on our own and in partnership with others, to increase access to affordable housing. As such, Ascend program participants pay monthly program fees (which cover housing and all other program costs like case management and professional counseling services) well below market rate – 70% below market rate, in fact. This affordable rent helps support participants in establishing financial stability and self-sufficiency. Tenants residing non-program properties are charged below market rate, unlike many local landlords who charge rates far above true market rate. In charging these affordable rates, Pillars does not generate the full income potential of these units. Pillars absorbs the difference of income that would be generated by charging full rental amounts. These factors and more contribute to the Ascend facilities and maintenance budget operating at an amount below what is needed to maintain

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the units at a comfortable level. Projects like tree removal, flooring rehab, garage upkeep, and more all remain in need of maintenance.

Having a home is imperative for these young adults' success. Pillars strives to provide a safe, comfortable home for all individuals who live with Pillars. Funding from this grant will make that possible for the 25 households who reside in Ascend units.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Pillars, Inc.

Where is the primary location of the project? Neenah, WI

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 25 households.

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve?

Northern Winnebago County, including the Neenah school district.

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The primary goal of Ascend is to quickly and dramatically improve the future for at-risk young adults who are living with a mental health challenge. As a participant of the Ascend program, young adults receive access to professional services like case management, life skills education, professional counseling, and a vast network of resources and community support. With these support systems and affordable, stable housing, these program participants have a firm foundation to build upon their independence and self-sufficiency. With a program duration of 2 years, young adults have the opportunity to explore career paths, continue education, and grow as an individual.

By leveraging the stability of safe, affordable housing in conjunction with resources for mental health support, education, employment, and basic living skills, program participants are set up for a lifetime of success and self-sufficiency. As these young adults are lifted up, they are supported in rising to the level of independence of which they are capable of. In the end, this yields a more vibrant and engaged community, a stronger workforce, less reliance on community programs and resources, and individuals who have greater opportunity to achieve success in every part of their lives. When the young adults of our society thrive, so does the community.

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For many program participants, Ascend is their first experience having a safe, clean, and stable home. Ascend creates a new standard of home for these young adults' futures. When you're well-rested, healthy and strong, doing the hard work of overcoming barriers becomes easier. Stephanie*, a graduate of the program, shared a bit about her housing history and experience. Stephanie* reported that living at Ascend was the longest she had ever remained in one place. She went on to express her appreciation for having an environment where she can be "independent without drugs, alcohol, or guests distracting [her] from [her] goals."

Ophelia*, an upcoming graduate of the Ascend program, said, "for the first time in my life, I'm able to have regular therapy." She added, "I've never had a case manager before that could see me regularly, every single week. It's been really amazing to have that consistency and know that there's people that I can count on." Because of Ascend, Ophelia* was given the support and resources necessary to pursue her dream education and career. Ophelia's* next step toward independence is an apartment through Pillars Stable Housing. There, she will benefit from rent adjusted to 30% of her childcare worker income. Manageable rent will ensure she can continue to care for herself well, without financial stress or fear for her safety.

The direct impact of these maintenance needs will be tough to measure. Ascend has provided over 80 individuals with a place to call home while they work toward successful independence. By investing in the maintenance of these properties, you are investing in the young adults of our community and providing them with the best chance for success. This funding will allow Pillars to make the necessary investment in the homes that 25 young adults and 10 households of community members rely on each year.

*While the young adults mentioned in this narrative are real, their names have been changed to protect their privacy.

In what stage is the project? Within 12 mo. of completion

What is the estimated completion date? Ongoing

Estimated cost of the entire project: \$215,405.29

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: \$50,000

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Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? Yes & No.
Regularly planned maintenance – maintenance that is vital for the functioning of the units - will remain in the budget. If not selected, any projects made possible by this funding would be delayed further until other funding could be secured.

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Ascend does not receive or utilize government funding. Pillars, as an organization, does receive specific government grant funds that are restricted to certain programs with strict criteria.

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? None. Ascend does not receive any government funding.

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: Ascend does not receive any government funding from any city, county, or municipality.

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Pillars, Inc.

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Should Ascend be selected to receive this grant, operational expenses for this project would increase during the fiscal year in which the facilities and maintenance projects are addressed. However, it will not add additional expenses to the budget beyond that.

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Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 58

Request from: Pillars, Inc.

Type of project: Maintenance/ homelessness

General Scope of Project: facilities and maintenance

Project Lead: Pillars, Inc.

Primary location: Neenah, WI

of individuals served by project: 25 households.

Areas served: Northern Winnebago County, including the Neenah school district.

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Completion Date:	Ongoing
Project Stage:	Within 12 mo. of completion
Project Cost:	\$215,405.29
Requested Amount:	50,000
Other Funding:	Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.
Is full Amt Required:	Yes & No. Regularly planned maintenance – maintenance that is vital for the functioning of the units - will remain in the budget. If not selected, any projects made possible by this funding would be delayed further until other funding could be secured.
Other Govt. Funding:	Ascend does not receive or utilize government funding. Pillars, as an organization, does receive specific government grant funds that are restricted to certain programs with strict criteria.
Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:	None. Ascend does not receive any government funding.
Other ARPA Funds:	Ascend does not receive any government funding from any city, county, or municipality.
Ongoing Maint:	Pillars, Inc.
Increase to Operational budget:	Should Ascend be selected to receive this grant, operational expenses for this project would increase during the fiscal year in which the facilities and maintenance projects are addressed. However, it will not add additional expenses to the budget beyond
Legacy:	no

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One-time funding: no
Geographic service area: Northern Winn. Co.

Other funding: Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.
Notes: request: 50,000: looking for maintenance/upkeep costs

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

