



Drafted By:
David Rynders
Presented Month/Year:
May/2018
Involved Committees:
DHHS
Human Resources

County Department:
DHHS

Fiscal Impact: YES / NO
CA Approved: YES / NO

RESOLUTION # 18-05-03

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TRANSFER OF \$49,790 WORKING CAPITAL TO CHIPPEWA COUNTY TO SUPPORT WESTERN REGION RECOVERY AND WELLNESS CONSORTIUM PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2013, the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution to become a member of the Western Region Recovery and Wellness Consortium (RWC); and,

WHEREAS, member counties include Chippewa, Pierce, Barron, Dunn, Washburn, Pepin, Polk, Rusk and Buffalo; and,

WHEREAS, the RWC is a regional provider of Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) serving individuals with mental health and substance abuse needs. The RWC provides the majority of its services by contracting with providers; and,

WHEREAS, providers are paid for the full cost of their services up front by the RWC lead county while the RWC is reimbursed 80% of these costs by State Medicaid up front with the remaining reimbursement coming approximately one year later ; and,

WHEREAS, RWC's lag in full reimbursement creates a running cash flow problem of approximately one million dollars which the lead county, Chippewa County, has been shouldering on behalf of contracted service providers serving the nine counties in RWC; and,

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2017 the Chippewa County Administrator sent a letter requesting each of the non-lead RWC Counties ease this burden by providing working capital for each county's share of the cash flow need; and,

WHEREAS, based on its share of clients receiving CCS services, the RWC leadership has determined Buffalo County is responsible to loan \$49,790 to Chippewa County to use as working capital in 2018 to pay CCS providers for services to Buffalo County clients; and,

WHEREAS, Buffalo's working capital contribution will be adjusted each November for the upcoming year based on current year reimbursement lag for provider costs; and

WHEREAS, the \$49,790 working capital amount remains Buffalo County's property, as is specified in the ADDENDUM TO CONSORTIUM CONTRACT between Chippewa and Buffalo Counties. This amount will be returned to Buffalo County in the event of Buffalo County withdrawing from the RWC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors to authorize the transfer of \$49,790 to Chippewa County for use as working capital for paying CCS providers of Buffalo County CCS participants; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED by the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors to authorize the Finance Committee to increase or decrease the transfer amount each year following receipt of

updated RWC lead county reimbursement lag information related to CCS provider services to Buffalo residents.

Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 21st day of May, 2018.

Rodman M. Halverson
County Clerk

ATTEST:

Mary Ann McMillan Urell
County Board Chairperson

Respectfully Submitted:

DHHS Committee

John Kriesel
John Kriesel

Nettie Rosenow
Nettie Rosenow

Scott Smith
Scott Smith

Linda Smith
Linda Smith

Joette Gillett
Joette Gillett

Wendy Kleinschmidt
Wendy Kleinschmidt

Finance Committee

Mary Ann McMillan Urell
Mary Ann McMillan Urell

Nettie Rosenow
Nettie Rosenow

David Danzinger
David Danzinger

Larry Grisen
Larry Grisen

Donald Hillert
Donald Hillert

ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

No fiscal impact from 2018 budget. Reserve funds available for investment would be reduced by \$49,790 for 2018 and each year Buffalo is a member of the RWC.