



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office Mental Health Court Grant Award and Approve Grant Contract (\$115,100.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

This resolution seeks Council approval for a grant contract with the Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) to fund the 15th Judicial District Court Mental Health Court program, and further seeks authorization to accept and appropriate grant funds from the State Court Administrative Office Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program (SCAO-MMHCGP) for that purpose without regard to City Fiscal Year.

Budget/Fiscal Impact: No matching funds are required for acceptance of this grant award. This grant shall be appropriated to the Major Grants Fund upon acceptance.

Mental Health Courts are problem-solving courts that focus on therapeutic treatment for offenders with mental illnesses whose crimes are a result of their mental illness. Eligible defendants are diverted into judicially supervised, community-based treatment to address the underlying problems. The program uses a team approach to address the participant's needs for mental health and/or substance abuse treatment while also linking the participant with ancillary services such as education, housing, job skills or other individualized assistance. The goal is to assist participants in bettering their lives while also benefiting the community by reducing jail time, recidivism rates, and court docket congestion.

Approval of a ten percent (10%) contingency amount is also requested to allow the Court to increase services should additional funds become available through an approved State Court Administrative Office grant program budget amendment.

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Approved by: Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

Whereas, The Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) invited an application from the 15th Judicial District Court for Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Program funds to continue the operations of a specialized Mental Health Treatment Court;

Whereas, The 15th Judicial District Court applied for and was awarded \$115,100.00 by SCAO pursuant to that invitation; and

Whereas, It is in the best interests of the City of Ann Arbor and in the best interests of justice to enter into a grant contract with SCAO and to accept and allocate grant funds awarded by SCAO for this purpose;

RESOLVED, That City Council accept the Michigan Mental Health Court Grant Award to the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court for expenditure without regard to City Fiscal Year and approve the Program Contract with SCAO;

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$115,100 to the FY23 expenditure budget of the District

Court within the Major Grants Program Fund with the source of revenue being the grant award from the Michigan Supreme State Court Administrative Office Mental Health Court Grant Program;

RESOLVED, That all amounts herein are without regard to fiscal year;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve a ten percent (10%) contingency should additional funds become available through an approved SCAO Mental Health Court Grant Amendment with the approval of the SCAO and the City Administrator;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the contract on behalf of the Court and the City following approval as to form by the City Attorney and as to substance by the City Administrator; and

RESOLVED, That City Council authorize the Court Administrator to take all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution including acting as the Authorizing Official for SCAO purposes.