



DeKalb County Government

Manuel J. Maloof Center
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Agenda Item

File ID: 2025-0852

Substitute

6/24/2025

Public Hearing: YES ☐ NO ☒

Department: Superior Court

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Districts

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Grant to the DeKalb County Felony Mental Health Court-\$105,868.00

Information Contact: LeNora Hawkins Ponzo

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PURPOSE:

To consider accepting \$105,868.00 for the DeKalb County Felony Mental Health Court from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council and appropriating the amount to a new Grant Fund.

NEED/IMPACT:

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council has awarded \$105,868.00 to the DeKalb County Felony Mental Health Court. Funding will be used toward annual conference, psychiatric & nursing services, counseling services, peer support, medication, drug testing & monitoring supplies for program participants. In addition to salary & benefits for the Program Coordinator. The grant period is from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. The required cash match (\$18,683.00) will be met through the Superior Court Operating budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for all services provided by Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Grant in the amount of \$105,868.00. Funding must be spent by June 30, 2026, end of State FY 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the resolution and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents. To accept \$105,868.00 for DeKalb County Felony Mental Health Court from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council and appropriate the amount to a new Grant Fund.

GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

2026 Accountability Court Funding Program

SUBAWARDEE: DeKalb County Government CFDA NUMBER: N/A

Employer Identification Number (EIN): 586000814

SUBAWARD NUMBER: AW-ACFP-26-194-110

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: DeKalb County Board of Commissioners

SUBGRANT PERIOD: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026

PROJECT TYPE: Mental Health Court

SUB AWARD AMOUNT: \$105,868.00

AWARD NUMBER: State Accountability Court Program

MATCHING FUNDS: \$18,683.00

AWARD PERIOD: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026

TOTAL FUNDS: \$124,551.00

This award is made under the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia grant program. The purpose of the Accountability Court Grants program is to make grants to local courts and judicial circuits to establish specialty courts or dockets to address offenders arrested for drug charges or mental health issues. This grant program is subject to the administrative rules established by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that a properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council by June 30, 2025.

Reimbursement/Payment
Frequency:

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating

Date

6/18/2025

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

FY26 Operating Grant Award Budget Worksheet

Court Name **DeKalb County Mental Health Court**

Budget Worksheet Category	Line Item	Total Budgeted
Personnel	Program Coordinator \$55,150.00	\$70,493
	Fringe Benefits \$15,343.00	
Contract Services	Psychiatrist \$18,000.00	\$30,375
	Nurse Practitioner \$4,750.00	
	Peer Support \$5,625.00	
	Counselor \$2,000.00	
Drug Testing Supplies	Consumables \$0.00	\$0
	Onsite Devices \$0.00	
	Reagents \$0.00	
Supplies /Other Costs	Medication \$1,000.00	\$1,000
	Internet \$0.00	
	Hygiene \$0.00	
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0
In State Training and Travel	2025 CACJ Conference \$4,000.00	\$4,000
Transportation Funding	Public Transportation \$0.00	\$0
	Private Transportation	
Total Budget:		\$105,868

Match: \$18,683

Grand total(including match) \$124,551

CACJ Funding Committee Note:

The court should apply for additional drug testing funds during the Emergency Grant if the funding is needed.

The court should work to increase its participant census throughout FY26 to more closely meet its self-reported capacity per the FY25 Court Operating Profile. The Funding Committee will monitor the census through quarterly reporting and may contact your court to review progress. The court should report in detail in its FY27 operating grant application on its efforts to meet its self-reported capacity. The Funding Committee will consider this information when evaluating FY27 operating grant awards, and a failure to respond to Funding Committee notes may impact future funding decisions.



DEKALB COUNTY ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS

Superior Court of DeKalb Judicial Circuit

Year 2025	Total Number of Participants in all Programs: Track 1: 26 Track 2: 8 Veterans Treatment Court: 5 Wellness Court (Mental Health): 13 Total Number: 52 (not including AWOL) Holds: 6	Pending Intakes: Drug Court- 5 Wellness Court (Mental Health)-0 Veteran Treatment Court- 1 Intakes w/Holds: 2
Housing Totals: Recovery Residence Total: 39 Essence of Hope: 9 Jaby Inc.: 16 Ducere: 7 Our Precious Place: 7	Social Recovery Initiative Events N/A	AWOL (# of participants who absconded this month) Veterans Treatment Court- 0 Wellness Court- 1 - T1- 0 - T2- 0
Graduations: Wellness Court – 1 Drug Court- 3 Upcoming Graduations: Drug Court: 6 Wellness Court: 1		