

**SCOTT COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION
AND DIVERSION PROGRAMS**

500 West 4th Street
Davenport, Iowa 52801
Ph: (563) 326-8687 Fax: (563) 328-3207
www.scottcountyiowa.com
E-Mail: jkaiser@scottcountyiowa.com



MEMORANDUM

Date: 12/02/2021

To: Scott County Administration and Board of Supervisors

RE: Restorative Justice Programs Contract Amendment

Program History

The Restorative Justice Program has two program components which utilize Restorative Justice Concepts, which target different populations and systems. Both of these program components are designed to lower detainment. The first component is the Auto Theft Accountability Program, which is a pre-adjudication diversion program which utilizes Restorative Community Conferencing to repair harm with victims. The Second component is the School-Based Restorative Justice program, which is a suspension diversion program which utilizes Restorative Mediation.

School Based Restorative Justice Program Component Description

The Scott County School-based Mediation Program is a suspension diversion program implemented in the secondary schools of the Davenport and Bettendorf Community School district. Certain incidents that would typically be incidents resulting in out of school suspension, can now be handled as an in-school suspension and those involved in the incident participate in a Restorative Mediation circle.

In the circle, the two (or more) youth are brought together to learn about why the event happened and then develop a plan to repair the harm that has been done and ensure it does not happen again. Through this process, students will learn the impact their behavior has on others and a resolution will be formed prior to entering regular classes to ensure violence does not occur in the future.

Program Outcomes

The program accepted the first referral in January 2021. As of December 1st, 2021, the program has received one hundred fifty (150) referrals and has completed one hundred thirty eight (138) successful mediations. The program has pre-emptively avoided forty one (41) fights and has served two hundred thirty seven (237) youth in seven (8) secondary schools.

Amendment Description

The School Based Restorative Justice Component continues to expand across school districts and requires more funding to accommodate the demand for services. This contract amendment increases the funding from \$99,000 annually to \$140,000 annually. Items which have been approved to be reimbursed include: three Scott County RJP staff members attending "train the trainer" training in order

to certify them as trainers in school based-restorative practices and specifically, restorative mediation. This will allow us to provide more cost-effective and frequent trainings to educators and other school personnel in all Scott County school districts.

During mediations, restorative justice facilitator, school personnel, and youth advocates have noted many needs which the students in the program have which go unmet which the program can not currently address. This contract amendment approves funding to meet those needs. Examples of items of need include: school supplies, clean clothes, winter coats, recreation equipment, transportation assistance, etc. By providing items of need, this will help fill gaps and help youth receive items they might not otherwise have the means for. Meeting these needs for youth can help alleviate stress and anxiety, help them focus on school, and avoid conflict with others.

Offsetting Revenue

On-going operating expenses for this program are covered by an inter-governmental contract with Iowa Department of Human Services. (Contract attached) Decategorization Board. All staff time, training, youth items, and supplies for the program will be reimbursed by the contract up to \$140,000 annually.

Jeremy Kaiser, Director

Scott County Juvenile Detention & Diversion Programs

First Amendment to the Scott County Restorative Justice Programs Contract

This Amendment to Contract Number DCAT3-22-109 is effective as of January 1, 2022, between the Iowa Department of Human Services (Agency) and Scott County (Contractor).

Section 1: Amendment to Contract Language

The Contract is amended as follows:

Revision 1. Section 1.3.1, Deliverables, the following is hereby added to the Contract:

11. Provide Youth Enhancement Funding - Contractor will assist youth in the 7th Judicial District when there are no other means available to pay for services or items that will assist in keeping youth from entering institutional, out-of-home, and out-of-community services. The Contractor will receive written approval from the 7th Judicial District Chief Juvenile Court Officer or designee prior to spending youth enhancement funding.

Revision 2. Section 1.3.4.1, Pricing. The maximum amount the Contractor will be compensated is hereby amended to \$840,000.00 for the entire term of the Contract.

Revision 3. Section 1.3.4.1, Payment Table. Contract payments are amended as follows:

<u>Payment Table</u>	
<u>Contract Duration</u>	<u>Amount Not to Exceed</u>
07/01/21 - 06/30/22	\$140,000.00
07/01/22 - 06/30/23	\$140,000.00
07/01/23 - 06/30/24	\$140,000.00
07/01/24 - 06/30/25	\$140,000.00
07/01/25 - 06/30/26	\$140,000.00
07/01/26 - 06/30/27	\$140,000.00

Note: continued payment for any contract extension years is contingent upon extension of the Contract.

Section 2: Ratification & Authorization

Except as expressly amended and supplemented herein, the Contract shall remain in full force and effect, and the parties hereby ratify and confirm the terms and conditions thereof. Each party to this Amendment represents and warrants to the other that it has the right, power, and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Amendment, and it has taken all requisite actions (corporate, statutory, or otherwise) to approve execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment, and that this Amendment constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation.

Section 3: Execution

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth above and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties have entered into the above Amendment and have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Amendment.

Contractor, Scott County		Agency, Iowa Department of Human Services	
Signature of Authorized Representative:	Date:	Signature of Authorized Representative:	Date:
Printed Name: Ken Beck		Printed Name: Lori Frick	
Title: Scott County Board of Supervisors - Board Chair		Title: Eastern Iowa Service Area Manager	

Agency, Iowa Department of Human Services	
Signature of Authorized Representative:	Date:
Printed Name: Vern Armstrong	
Title: Division Administrator	

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES
THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

DATE

SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

December 9, 2021

CONTRACT AMENDMENT APPROVAL FOR
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. That the Scott County Juvenile Detention and Diversion Programs Restorative Justice Programs contract with the Iowa Department of Human Services ending June 30, 2022 will be amended to include additional funding.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.