**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2020**

**AUTHORIZING PRE-BOOKING DIVERSION PILOT PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**Fiscal Impact: [ ] None [X] Budgeted Expenditure [ ] Not Budgeted**

***Background:*** This resolution authorizes the Sauk County Health Department to contract with The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) to receive and carry out a Pre-Booking Diversion Pilot Program grant in the amount of $87,000 in funds for the period of performance beginning 04/01/2020 and ending 03/31/2021. The Pre-Booking Diversion Pilot Program Grant supports staff salaries and provides qualifying participants alternatives to traditional criminal justice processing. The Sauk County Justice, Diversion, and Support (JDS) program received this three (3) year grant in 2018. This is a renewal of the existing grant.
The Health Department/JDS will continue the Sauk County Pre-Booking Diversion-Substance Use Diversion and Support (SUDS) Program to increase access to treatment and other supportive services for non-violent offenders struggling with addiction (with a focus on opiate addiction) to divert them from traditional criminal justice system processing. This will increase participant’s health through access to treatment, and increase their ability to be productive members of our community. Contact with the program and access to treatment will also reduce future criminal activity, increasing community safety in Sauk County.
The SUDS Program supports the major goals of the County Board-approved Stepping Up Initiative (Resolution #5-16) to decrease number of those incarcerated, decrease recidivism, and increase referrals to behavioral health services.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, who met in regular session, that the Sauk County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Sauk County Health Department to enter into a one year contract with the Wisconsin Department of Justice, effective April 1, 2020.

For consideration by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on March 17, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

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**Fiscal Note:** Receipt of the expenditure of $87,000 will be split between the County’s 2020 and 2021 fiscal years. These funds were budgeted in the existing budget.

**Information System Note:** No information systems impact.