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Narrative Information

Introduction

The purpose of this funding is to support specialty court programs as defined in Chapter 121-126 and Chapter 129-130 of the Texas Government Code.

Program-Specific Questions

Court Name and Number

Court name and number as registered with the Office of Court Administration (OCA).

Collin County Veterans Court #187

Participant Fees

Does this specialty court collect participant fees pursuant to Sec. 123.004 of the Texas Government Code?

Yes

No

If yes, what is the current dollar amount charged to participants?

300

In the last fiscal year, how many participants were charged a fee?

75

Of those participants charged, how many paid the fee?

20

Risk Assessment Tools

List the risk assessment tool(s) and clinical assessment tools(s) that are utilized by this specialty court? Please provide: 1) The name of each assessment tools used; 2) Why the assessment tools were selected for this specific program and the role it plays in this specialty court's case management process; and 3) The position title(s) of the team member(s) responsible for conducting each assessment. If there are any factors limiting the use of additional assessment tools such as the cost associated with an assessment, familiarity with available assessments, etc., please make note of these factors.

The North Texas Veterans Treatment Court (NTVTC) has adopted a structured, multi-layered assessment strategy to ensure veterans entering the program receive individualized, evidence-based treatment that addresses their unique needs. The tools selected are validated for use with justice-involved individuals and are specifically appropriate for identifying risks and needs common among veterans, including PTSD, substance use, depression, and trauma. Risk and criminogenic assessments are conducted by the Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD). As part of standard protocol, CSCD officers administer the Texas Risk Assessment System (TRAS) and the Substance Abuse Evaluation (SAE). These tools guide the level of supervision and help determine if a veteran would benefit from a higher level of intervention, such as residential treatment in the VALOR Program. These assessments are typically completed by Armando Jimenez, the Veterans Court Officer, or another designated CSCD staff member. In addition to these foundational assessments, each veteran receives a comprehensive clinical intake evaluation conducted by our Mental Health Coordinator, William Brownfield, LPC-A. This evaluation is designed to identify mental health and substance use needs that may not be evident in traditional criminal justice screenings. The battery of tools used during intake includes the PCL-5 for PTSD, AUDIT for alcohol use, PHQ-9 and BDI-II for depression, GAD-7 and HAM-A for anxiety, DAST-10 for drug use, ACE for trauma exposure, HELPS for TBI screening, the Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS), and an additional screening for risk of harm to others. These assessments help form the foundation for an individualized treatment plan tailored to each veteran's clinical profile. At the conclusion of the program, these assessments are administered again to measure treatment impact and post-program stability. To ensure continuous monitoring throughout the veteran's participation, the program also utilizes Trac9, a weekly digital assessment tool that provides real-time insight into each participant's mental health and emotional well-being. Trac9's assessments include both pathology and resilience factors monitoring nine individual factors associated with sustained and long-term recovery. The nine individual factors are Commitment to Sobriety, Spirituality, Optimism, Quality of Life, Depression, Anxiety, Verbal craving, visual craving and stress. Utilizing assessments including the PCL-5, PHQ-9, AUDIT, Self-Compassion Scale, General Self-Efficacy Scale, State Shame and Guilt Scale, Suicidality (Attraction to Death), Anxiety (Cognitive and Physical), Eating and Gambling Disorders, Complicated Grief, and the SPAN-Fischer Co-Dependency Scale. This tool allows the Mental Health Coordinator to monitor shifts in a participant's emotional or psychological state and quickly intervene when needed. If a veteran's scores indicate increased distress or relapse risk, the coordinator can follow up directly, engage their therapist, or connect them with additional services and resources. With grant funding for Trac9, this weekly monitoring system has significantly enhanced continuity of care while veterans are enrolled in the program. It provides a consistent clinical snapshot that helps guide treatment decisions, track progress over time, and identify needs that may not be openly shared in session—such as financial stress, housing instability, or emotional disengagement. In many cases, this early identification leads to timely intervention through case management or clinical referrals, helping veterans avoid crisis and stay on track toward successful program completion. While the current tools in use have proven highly effective, the program faces limitations in implementing additional assessments due to factors such as licensing fees, limited clinical staffing, and the need for formal training on new instruments. For these reasons, the court prioritizes assessments that are validated, resource-conscious, and integrated into a sustainable case management framework. This comprehensive and ongoing assessment process is a critical component of NTVTC's mission to provide holistic, trauma-informed care to justice-involved veterans. It ensures that each participant's needs are not only identified at entry, but supported throughout their entire journey toward rehabilitation and reintegration.

Certifications

In addition to the requirements found in existing statute, regulation, and the funding announcement, this program requires applicant organizations to certify compliance with the following:

Constitutional Compliance

Applicant assures that it will not engage in any activity that violates Constitutional law including profiling based upon race.

Information Systems

Applicant assures that any new criminal justice information systems will comply with data sharing standards for the Global Justice XML Data Model and the National Information Exchange Model.

Program Income

Applicant agrees to comply with all federal and state rules and regulations for program income and agrees to report all program income that is generated as a result of the project's activities. Applicant agrees to report program income through a formal grant adjustment and to secure PSO approval prior to use of the program income. Applicant agrees to use program income for allowable costs and agrees to expend program income immediately after PSO's approval of a grant adjustment and prior to requesting reimbursement of funds.

Deduction Method - Program income shall be deducted from total allowable costs to determine the net allowable costs. Program income shall be used for current costs unless PSO authorizes otherwise. Program income which the grantee did not anticipate at the time of the award shall be used to reduce the PSO award and grantee match rather than to increase the funds committed to the project.

Asset Seizures and Forfeitures - Program income from asset seizures and forfeitures is considered earned when the property has been adjudicated to the benefit of the plaintiff (e.g., law enforcement entity).

Twelve-Step Programs

Grant funds may not be used to support or directly fund programs such as the Twelve Step Program which courts have ruled are inherently religious. OOG grant funds cannot be used to support these programs, conduct meetings, or purchase related materials.

Specialty Court Certifications

If the applicant is a specialty court operated under Ch. 121 of the Texas Government Code, the following certifications apply:

1. The specialty court will develop and maintain written policies and procedures for the operation of the program.
2. The applicant will submit a copy of any project evaluations, evaluation plans, recidivism studies, or related reports that are completed during the grant period to PSO.

Adoption of Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

Applicants operating an adult drug court certify that they are working towards full compliance with and adoption of Vol. I & II of the Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards.

Adoption of Family Drug Court Best Practice Standards

Applicants operating a family drug court certify that they are working towards full compliance with and adoption of the Family Treatment Court Best Practice Standards.

Veterans Treatment Programs

Applicants providing mental health services to veterans or veterans' families must demonstrate a) prior history of successful execution of a grant from the Office of the Governor; and b) that the entity provides training to agency personnel on military informed care or military cultural competency or requires those personnel to complete military competency training provided by any of the following: the Texas Veterans Commission; the Texas Health and Human Services Commission; the Military Veteran Peer Network; the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; the U.S. Department of Defense; the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; or a nonprofit organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, by being listed as an exempt entity under Section 501 (c) (3) of that code. with experience in providing training or technical

assistance to entities that provide mental health services to veterans or veterans' families.

Cybersecurity Training Requirement

Local units of governments must comply with the Cybersecurity Training requirements described in Section 772.012 and Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code. Local governments determined to not be in compliance with the cybersecurity requirements required by Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code are ineligible for OOG grant funds until the second anniversary of the date the local government is determined ineligible. Government entities must annually certify their compliance with the training requirements using the [Cybersecurity Training Certification for State and Local Government](#). A copy of the Training Certification must be uploaded to your eGrants application. For more information or to access available training programs, visit the [Texas Department of Information Resources Statewide Cybersecurity Awareness Training](#) page.

Criminal History Reporting

Entities receiving funds from PSO must be located in a county that has an average of 90 percent or above on both adult and juvenile dispositions entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the *Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 66*. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

Counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90% of convictions within five business days to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety.

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting complete UCR data and the Texas specific reporting mandated by 411.042 TGC, to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for inclusion in the annual Crime in Texas (CIT) publication. To be considered eligible for funding, applicants must have submitted a full twelve months of accurate data to DPS for the most recent calendar year by the deadline(s) established by DPS. Due to the importance of timely reporting, applicants are required to submit complete and accurate UCR data, as well as the Texas-mandated reporting, on a no less than monthly basis and respond promptly to requests from DPS related to the data submitted.

Entities That Collect Sexual Assault/Sex Offense Evidence or Investigate/Prosecute Sexual Assault or Other Sex Offenses

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 420.034, any facility or entity that collects evidence for sexual assault or other sex offenses or investigates or prosecutes a sexual assault or other sex offense for which evidence has been collected, must participate in the statewide electronic tracking system developed and implemented by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Visit [Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking Program](#) website for more information or to set up an account to begin participating. Additionally, per Section 420.042 "A law enforcement agency that receives evidence of a sexual assault or other sex offense...shall submit that evidence to a public accredited crime laboratory for analysis no later than the 30th day after the date on which that evidence was received." A law enforcement agency in possession of a significant number of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK) where the 30-day window has passed may be considered noncompliant.

Compliance with State and Federal Laws, Programs and Procedures

Local units of government, including cities, counties and other general purpose political subdivisions, as appropriate, and institutions of higher education that operate a law enforcement agency, must comply with all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") to: (1) notify DHS of all information requested by DHS related to illegal aliens in Agency's custody; and (2) detain such illegal aliens in accordance with requests by DHS. Additionally, counties and municipalities may NOT have in effect, purport to have in effect, or make themselves subject to or bound by, any law, rule, policy, or practice (written or unwritten) that would: (1) require or authorize the public disclosure of federal law enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection fugitives from justice or aliens illegally in the United States; or (2) impede federal officers from exercising authority under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a), § 1226(c), § 1231(a), § 1357(a), § 1366(1), or § 1366(3). Lastly, eligible applicants must comply with all provisions, policies, and penalties found in Chapter 752, Subchapter C of the Texas Government Code.

Each local unit of government, and institution of higher education that operates a law enforcement agency, must download, complete and then upload into eGrants the [CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form](#) certifying compliance with federal and state immigration enforcement requirements. This Form is required for each application submitted to PSO and is active until August 31, 2026 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

Overall Certification

Each applicant agency must certify to the specific requirements detailed above as well as to comply with all requirements within the PSO Funding Announcement, the *Guide to Grants*, the *Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities*, any authorizing or applicable state and federal statutes and regulations to be eligible for this program.

X I certify to all of the application content & requirements.

Project Abstract :

Collin County is the sixth largest county in Texas by population (of one million plus) and lies just northeast of the Dallas –Fort Worth Metroplex. The county has 13 District Courts and 7 County Courts at Law. The 296th Judicial District Court will preside over cases for the Veteran Treatment Court (VTC) Program, which will be a pre-trial diversion court. The elected Judge John Roach, Jr. (Marine Corp Veteran) presides over the 296th District Court and sits by assignment to the North Texas Regional Veteran Treatment Court spanning 5 counties and all contiguous counties in need of Veteran oversight. The regional specialty Court is the only kind in the

Nation whereby the Judge travels to the Veteran in hopes of reducing recidivism amongst the justice involved Veteran community and increases the likelihood of Court appearances. The VTC is a specialized diversion program for justice-involved veterans (JIV) with whose crimes correlate to injuries suffered as a result of their military services. The program provides a second chance through a judicially-supervised, team-based approach to ensure participants receive treatment for underlying risk factors that contributed to their crime(s), including substance abuse, medical, and/or behavioral conditions. PTSD, traumatic brain injuries, and substance abuse all change the way the brain functions and impacts the ability of individuals to make responsible choices. Research has demonstrated that establishing a supportive, non-adversarial judicial relationship, employing progressive sanctions and incentives, and providing regular, meaningful involvement with a judge are significant factors leading to positive behavioral changes among offenders. The Collin County Veterans Court program started in 2013 by the 296th District Court Judge in Collin County. Unfortunately, many smaller counties in the area do not possess the resources to manage a similar program, resulting in justice-involved veterans in those counties not receiving the treatment and support needed for recovery and restoration to their pre-combat lives. In an effort to meet the need, the program has expanded into four neighboring counties - Fannin, Grayson, Kaufman, Rockwall, with the endorsement and proclamation of each counties Commissioners Court and District Attorney's Office. Each county has a local interdisciplinary team, composed of a supervision/probation officer, veteran's service officer, defense attorney, prosecuting attorney, and law enforcement officer, which are led by the 296th District Court Judge (Judge John Roach, Jr. Resume included). The team reviews and discusses participants' progress and uses a coordinated strategy to help veterans recover. The funding will assist with the expansion of increasing the capacity of the waiting list for Veterans that are in need of assistance. The funding will assist with the expansion of an ever growing caseload and assist with influx of pending cases from the Covid-19 pandemic. Currently, the Court manages a caseload of 110 Veterans. As of January 2025, the Court has 75 applications pending and once approved by the respective District Attorney's Office the influx of cases will strain the current caseload. Grant funding is requested for one contracted position, to serve veterans in all five counties. The Coordinator will serve as the primary point of contact for the VTC/OOG Grant. He/she will receive and review applications for program participation, coordinate opportunities for community outreach and program education, oversee program veterans, coordinate between the counties that have a waiting list, collect and maintain program data, and updates the programs policies and procedures to remain current with the best practices of a veterans treatment court. The grant will also fund counseling, drug and alcohol monitoring, indigent aid (housing) and life skills for Veterans. Much needed resources for these Veterans.

Problem Statement :

More than 22 million men and women living in the US have served in the US military and according to the US Census Bureau 2022, 1,401,173 reside in Texas and 72,277 veterans reside in Collin County service area. Those numbers are expected to rise based on anecdotal evidence. Texas is considered the second state next to California that veterans move to and prefer to live in. Community need in regard to Veteran services: Many of these veterans were deployed to engage in combat operations, spending long periods being hyper-vigilant in high stress situations. Combat zone duty can result in injuries both to the body and psyche including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), orthopedic injury and/or amputations, which are all conditions that can derail emotional control and lead to interpersonal conflicts and/or other erratic behaviors resulting in job loss, divorce, and strained relationships. Unfortunately, decades of research had shown that veterans can have a difficult time of readjusting to civilian life and have been shown to have higher than normal prevalence of mental health and substance abuse issues, which frequently result in illegal, violent, and/or risky behaviors resulting in increased contact with the criminal justice system and incarceration. A Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics study released showed that a higher percentage of detained veterans (60%) than nonveterans (44%) has been diagnosed with some form of mental disorder. Veterans need to be provided with educational and therapeutic services as alternatives to spiraling deeper into the criminal justice system. Unfortunately, many jails and prisons are unable to offer adequate mental health treatment to the incarcerated.

Supporting Data :

America's Veterans are in trouble...Each year roughly 200,000 service members transition out of the military, and while most reenter civilian life successfully, others struggle with drugs and alcohol addiction, PTSD, TBI, and homelessness (Time, Nov. 2022). For many, this post-service journey leads to a grim destination: the criminal justice system. One in three of the nation's 19 million veterans report having been arrested and jailed at least once, and more than 181,000 are behind bars. (Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2022). Currently, Texas has the second largest population of veterans, with 10% of the total prison population being veterans, many of whom are repeat offenders because of a failure to reintegrate after military service. Collin County alone has

more than 41,666 veteran residents according to the US Census Bureau 2022 Quick Facts. While the number of veterans has increased in Collin County since 2010, the number of veterans jailed has increased as well by 382% over the same time period. The number of veterans housed in the Collin County jail in 2010, 90 unduplicated; FY 2018: 437, FY 2019: 442, FY 2020: 553, FY2021: 671, FY2022: 690, FY2023: 750 and in FY2024: 809 Veterans. On average, 38% of veterans are detained multiple times during the year. Recognizing the increase in veterans facing felony charges in his District Court, Judge John Roach, Jr. implemented a Veterans Treatment Court in 2013, which has since grown to encompass over 5 counties assistance to contiguous counties for Veterans in need. Facts on US veterans:

- 68% Alcohol and drug addiction.
- 45% Difficulty adjusting to civilian life.
- 66.9% was cited by court that they had history of mental health problems.
- Economic Disadvantages
- 61% reported difficulty paying their bills following discharge.
- 42% have trouble obtaining medical care.
- 98% incarcerated veterans in the US are male.
- 70% of incarcerated veterans are convicted of violent crimes.
- About 2 million times each year, people with serious mental illness are booked into jails (NAMI, 2022).
- The majority of male veterans in state (56%) and federal (53%) prison served in the Army.
- About 1 in 4 male veterans in state (28%) and 1 in 5 in federal (21%) prison were combat veterans.
- An estimated 74% of male veterans in state prison and 77% of those in federal received an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions.
- Male veterans in state prison (26% were twice as likely as male non-veterans in state prison (12%) to be serving time for a violent sexual offense.
- 15.3% of U.S. Veterans experienced a mental illness in 2019 (31.3 million people) (NAMI, 2020).
- 41% of Veteran's Health Administration patients have a diagnosed mental illness or substance use disorder (CDC, 2022).
- 8.4% of Active Component service members in the U.S. military experienced a mental health or substance use condition in 2019.
- 30% of military personnel deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan have mental health conditions (U.S. Dept. of Veteran Affairs, 2020).
- Over 20% of veterans return home with Traumatic Brain Injury and PTSD (U.S. Dept. of Veteran Affairs, 2020).

United States Sentencing Commission Bureau of Justice Statistics, Veterans in State and Federal Prisons, Laura M. Maruschak, Bureau of Justice Statistics

Project Approach & Activities:

The overall goal of the Veteran Treatment Court will be to move justice-involved veterans out of the traditional criminal justice process and into appropriate, individualized rehabilitative alternatives that improve mental health and successfully lead to community reintegration and criminal case resolution. The team will effectively address the many unique and significant needs of these veterans. The team will receive on-going training in order to assist the veterans achieve treatment goals. The VTC team will consist of the following but not limited to:

- Judge
- Coordinator/Case Manager
- Treatment Provider

Once veterans have been screened, assessed, and approved for participation in this voluntary program, they promptly begin a treatment program that is specific to their needs. In addition to program team meetings, the program will involve drug and/or alcohol treatment, random drug testing, support group meetings, vocational or job counseling, educational classes, and community supervision. Many services will be provided by outside agencies, and veterans will be referred as needed. The VTC program is an average of twelve (12) months with an extensive follow up. There are (4) levels/phases to the VTC program which will require frequent meetings with the Judge and team. Upon successful completion of the program, the case(s) are normally dismissed, expunged, or never filed. The following will explain the phases in detail:

Phase I: The purpose of Phase I is to provide the most rigorous interventions into the veteran's life. Each veteran's needs are different. The overall goal of Phase 1 is the veteran will demonstrate both a desire and an ability to participate in treatment, counseling, maintain medication compliance along with drug and alcohol abstinence.

Phase II: The purpose of Phase II is to continue the treatment process from Phase I and to make treatment progress. The primary focus of Phase II will be progression to stability from Phase I, the veteran is to continue and make gains/progress in treatment and counseling as indicated by treatment provider collaterals and progress notes.

Phase III: The purpose of Phase III is to continue the treatment process from Phase II and to make treatment progress. The purpose of Phase III is for the Veteran to demonstrate a continued ability to remain in treatment, remain sober and maintain stability.

Phase IV: The purpose of Phase IV is for the veteran to reach sustained stability and to successfully complete any required treatment programs. The goal is to see a reduction in criminogenic needs. The primary focus of Phase IV is to ensure the continued stability of the veteran in order to prepare the veteran for his/her reintegration into the community. The focus is a tapering off of interventions by the Veteran Treatment Court and for the veteran to utilize the tools learned during the program to reintegrate into the community without supervision. The overall goal being in Phase IV the participant will demonstrate a continued ability to remain in treatment, remain sober and maintain stability within the family as well as the community. Please refer to upload file for Veteran Treatment Court Grant detailed. The program will also have the following for the Veterans but limited to: Expectations, Incentives and sanctions. Please refer for explanation of what is expected from each Veteran in detail in upload summary/grant.

Capacity & Capabilities:

All of the personnel on the VTC team not only have professional expertise in their field but also have (or will have) significant experience and understanding of veteran services and how this will manifest within the justice system. VTC Treatment Team: Judge: the Judge will conduct status hearings as ordered. The Judge will encourage the veteran to do well and stay on target. The Judge will hold the veteran accountable if they fail to comply with the program and/or requirements. The Judge will speak with the veteran and family (if necessary) to see how they are doing in treatment, at home, work, school, and in the community. They will also ask what the team can do for them and their family to keep them on track. • Honorable John Roach Jr District Court Coordinator/Case Manager: The coordinator/case manager will be responsible for monitoring the progress of applications pending, data entry, provide case management to the influx of cases received, coordinate meetings amongst staff members and report to the Judge as directed. Treatment Provider: The Treatment Provider will establish and comprehensive, community-based treatment plan for the veteran and for the family pursuant to their mental health evaluation(s)/assessment(s). The treatment provider will also have a designee assigned to the VTC team. They will provide group, individual and family counseling sessions, and medication management services (if necessary). Program veterans will learn various copings skills on how to manage their emotions as well as ways to become free of drugs. The treatment provider will review the progress towards goals as well as provide weekly reports to the VTC team regarding progress towards treatment goals, attendance and participation, and provide insight to the team on how best to provide program veterans and families support for treatment compliance. Collaborative Partnerships: The program has identified and developed relationships with local resources and organizations that provide ongoing support for the veterans. The VTC Program has a strong partnership with the following but not limited to: • US Department of Veterans Affairs • Dallas Vet Center • Green Path Financial Wellness • Jake E's Riding Round Up • Military Veteran Peer Network • Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Metrocare • Texas Department of Public Safety • Texas Legal Services Center Successful completion of the program results in case dismissal and agreed expunction.

Performance Management :

Goal: Deliver services to veterans with cases in the criminal justice system Objectives: 1. Ensure minimum of 80% of veterans seeking assistance will be served. 2. Demonstrate 10% increase yearly in veteran enrollment. 3. Graduate 10 from program. Measures: 1. Provide assistance/services to 15 veterans (over the course of the grant). 2. Provide counseling and advocacy for 15 veterans (over the course of the grant). 3. Provide treatment referrals for 15 individuals (whether ultimately accepted into the VTC Program or not) (over the course of the grant and aftercare). 4. Assist 15 veterans with developing plans (over the course of the grant). Client outcome measurements will be used to establish and evaluate the program's progress in achieving service goals. The Coordinator will analyze the outcomes and an action plan will be developed and implemented as needed to ensure that objectives will be met. Performance measurement/data will be collected, reported and submitted in a timely matter.

Target Group :

The program will accept veterans of the Armed Forces, including State and National Guard, who did not receive a dishonorable discharge and who are facing criminal charges (misdemeanor or felony) in Texas. Eligibility for program participation is ultimately determined upon completion of a complete classification evaluation by team. To be eligible, veterans must not have been dishonorably discharged or convicted of violent or sexual offenses and should have a mental health diagnosis such as (but not limited to) anxiety, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), or substance abuse/addiction, determined by assessment to be caused or exacerbated by their military service.

Evidence-Based Practices:

The VTC Program recognizes the importance in incorporating current theory, best practice, and evidence-based service delivery. As such, the program will maintain an updated knowledge base through research and training, informally reviews the program on a continual basis, and formally reviews the program annually, changes are made as needed. The following are a few of the therapeutic evidence-based service models which may be used: • Group therapy • Substance abuse • Support System • Family Treatment • Treatment Planning (ongoing treatment) • Alternative therapies (art therapy, music therapy, community service projects, etc.) • Family Treatment Court Best Practice Standards (NADCP)

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Project Activities Information

Introduction

This section contains questions about your project. It is very important for applicants to review their funding announcement for guidance on how to fill out this section. Unless otherwise specified, answers should be about the EXPECTED activities to occur during the project period.

Selected Project Activities:

ACTIVITY	PERCENTAGE:	DESCRIPTION
Specialty Court - Veterans	100.00	The VTC is a specialized diversion program for justice-involved veterans (JIV) with whose crimes correlate to injuries suffered as a result of their military services. The program provides a second chance through a judicially-supervised, team-based approach to ensure participants receive treatment for underlying risk factors that contributed to their crime(s), including substance abuse, medical, and/or behavioral conditions. PTSD, traumatic brain injuries, and substance abuse all change the way the brain functions and impacts the ability of individuals to make responsible choices. Research has demonstrated that establishing a supportive, non-adversarial judicial relationship, employing progressive sanctions and incentives, and providing regular, meaningful involvement with a judge are significant factors leading to positive behavioral changes among offenders.

CJD Purpose Areas

PERCENT DEDICATED	PURPOSE AREA	PURPOSE AREA DESCRIPTION
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Measures Information

Objective Output Measures

OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of carry-over individuals participating.	4
Number of individuals NEWLY participating.	21

Objective Outcome Measures

OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of individuals who will successfully complete the program.	25

Custom Output Measures

CUSTOM OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Custom Outcome Measures

CUSTOM OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Budget Details Information
Budget Information by Budget Line Item:

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Contractual and Professional Services	Substance Abuse-Related Case Management, Counseling, Outpatient, and/or Treatment Services	Treatment services are tailored to address the unique needs of each participant. The assessment process includes, but is not limited to, evaluations of substance abuse, mental health, trauma, employment and financial needs, housing, school progress, and behavior/emotional management. Counseling and guidance are prioritized throughout the process. Therapists are licensed by the state, and when necessary, we contract with specialists in areas such as EMDR, prolonged exposure therapy, or veteran therapists with combat experience to ensure the most effective treatment for our Veterans. Cost per participant \$100 x 8 sessions x 60 participants=\$48,000.00, Vendor TBD	\$5,088.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,088.27	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Substance Abuse-Related Case Management, Counseling, Outpatient, and/or Treatment Services	Drug and Alcohol Abstinence Monitoring: Funding will be used to cover the cost of monitoring services for Veterans who are financially struggling, including SCRAM devices, Deep Lung devices, urine analysis (UA), or hair follicle	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	0

		testing. These services provide compliance reports for each Veteran, which will be shared with relevant parties such as treatment providers and the courts to ensure accountability and transparency. Cost per participant: \$1,875 x 40 participants = \$75,000. Contract services: 12 months. Vendor: RMS						
Contractual and Professional Services	Curriculum Development and/or Implementation Services	Life skills/Required Courses for veterans to be discharged from program. Life skills include but not limited to: personal finance, resume writing, job searching, interview skills, and effective communication. Cost per participant: \$400 x 10 = \$4,000. Vendor: TBD	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Curriculum Development and/or Implementation Services	Coordinator and Financial Analyst oversees the Veterans Treatment Court's financial management and program coordination. This includes managing budgets, preparing and submitting financial reports, ensuring compliance with grant requirements, and allocating resources to support program needs. The position also involves coordinating program activities and meetings, maintaining operational efficiency, and preparing detailed reports for the Judge and other stakeholders as needed. Contractual Services at \$60,000 per year/12 = \$5,000 a month. Contract period: 9/1/25-8/31/26. Coordinator and Financial Analyst: IS.	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	0

<p>Contractual and Professional Services</p>	<p>Residential Services</p>	<p>Indigent Aid-Housing: This funding will assist participants who face unexpected housing expenses. The funds will be used directly to cover housing costs, such as extended stay hotel fees or rent payments to landlords, rather than being provided to the participants themselves. Cost per participant: \$3,000 x 10 participants = \$30,000. Vendor: TBD (hotel/landlord).</p>	<p>\$30,000.00</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$30,000.00</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>Travel and Training</p>	<p>In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel</p>	<p>The Texas Association of Specialty Courts (TASC) Conference provides valuable educational opportunities for professionals working with Veterans, focusing on topics such as Mental Illness, Substance Use, Trauma Treatment, Recovery Management, Multidisciplinary Teams, caseload management, equity and inclusion, and managing mental illness within the criminal justice system. The conference will be held at a location and on dates to be determined. The estimated cost for one staff member (Coordinator) includes registration: \$300 x 1 = \$300, lodging: \$200 per night x 2 nights = \$400, airfare at \$400 x 1 = \$400, and meals at \$68.75 per day x 2 days = \$137.50. The total cost for the conference is \$1,237.50. All reimbursements will be made in accordance with Collin County's travel policy and will only be issued upon submission of the required forms and receipts. Please find the Collin County Travel</p>	<p>\$1,237.50</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$1,237.50</p>	<p>0</p>

		Policy attached for reference.							
Travel and Training	Out-of-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	The National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) Conference, now known as RISE26, will be held July 20–23, 2026, in Nashville, Tennessee. For one staff member, a Coordinator, to attend the event estimated costs include registration: \$895, lodging: \$450 per night x 4 nights = \$1,800, airfare: \$550, and meals: \$68.75 per day x 4 days = \$275. The total projected expense is \$3,520. All reimbursements will follow Collin County’s travel policy and procedures, which require the submission of necessary forms. A copy of the policy is attached for reference.	\$3,520.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,520.00	0	
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Network and Server Software and/or Licenses (\$5,000 or less per unit)	Software licenses are essential for program operations, including OfficeProPlus ALNG LICSA PK MVL PLTFRM (MFG #: 269-12445) at \$491.72; CoreCAL ALNG LICSA PK MVL PLTFRM USRCAL (MFG #: W06-01066) at \$234.75; and WinEntPerDvc ALNG UpgradesAPK MVL PLTFRM (MFG #: KV3-00356) at \$138.39. These licenses support critical functions such as office productivity, system upgrades, and user access, ensuring efficient program operations. Total cost: \$864.83	\$864.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$864.86	0	
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Specialized Computer Software	MIFI is a mobile hotspot that provides internet access to the Intake Coordinator, enabling	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$480.00	0	

	(\$5,000 or less per unit)	them to work effectively in the field. This internet access is essential for reviewing work emails, accessing necessary websites, and completing job-related tasks outside the office. MIFI Device/Service for 1 laptop: \$40 per month. \$40 x 12 = \$480							
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Laptop System and Accessories (\$5,000 or less per unit)	The laptop will be used by mental health clinician to assist with their work both in the field and in the office. The Collin County Laptop Station includes the following components: one unit of the Dell Latitude 7430 laptop (MFG # 210-BDSS) at \$2,153.85; one unit of the Dell KB216 Wired Multi-Media Keyboard (MFG # 580-ADJC) at \$14.60; one unit of the Dell MS116 Wired Mouse (MFG # 275-BBBW) at \$14.60; one unit of the Dell 24" Monitors (MFG # E2422HS) at \$106.29; one unit of the 6' DisplayPort to DisplayPort Cables at \$9.99; one unit of the Dell Ecoloop Pro Backpack (MFG # 460-BDKH) at \$40.75; one unit of the Dell Dock WD19S with 130W Adapter (MFG # 210-AZBG) at \$158.76; and one unit of the 6x Slim Portable USB 3.0 BD/DVD/CD Burner (MFG # BDR-XD05S) at \$101.73. Total cost for the complete laptop station is \$2,600.57.	\$2,600.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,600.57	0	
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Supplies (e.g., paper, postage, calculator)	Consumable Office Supplies: Includes paper, folders, pens, pencils, notebooks, calculators, staplers, and other routine office items necessary for	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0	

		program operations – \$1,000.00.							
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	Training Materials, Guides, Therapy Handbooks, and Workbooks: These resources are essential tools for supporting individuals in therapeutic programs. They include structured exercises, educational content, and practical strategies designed to help Veterans improve their mental health and overall wellness. As our curriculum and program expand, these materials will continue to play a key role in delivering effective education and support. Cost: \$50 per Veteran x 30 Veterans = \$1,500.00.	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	0	
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	Printing expenses cover orientation manuals for incoming Veterans and stakeholders such as VA representatives, elected officials, and community organizations, as well as worksheets and facilitator training manuals for on-site education and development. Cost: \$20 x 30 = \$600.00.	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	0	

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