

## Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

## Legislation Text

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A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Davidson County General Sessions Court, to provide the Tennessee Mental Health Court Program (TMHCP) to include intensive court supervision, mental health treatment services, drug testing, and substance abuse treatment services as an alternative to incarceration.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services has awarded a grant in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 with no cash match required to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Davidson County General Sessions Court, to provide the Tennessee Mental Health Court Program (TMHCP) to include intensive court supervision, mental health treatment services, drug testing, and substance abuse treatment services as an alternative to incarceration; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1: That the grant by and between the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Davidson County General Sessions Court, to provide the Tennessee Mental Health Court Program (TMHCP) to include intensive court supervision, mental health treatment services, drug testing, and substance abuse treatment services as an alternative to incarceration, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute the same.

Section 2: That the amount of this grant is to be appropriated to the Davidson County General Sessions Court, based on the revenues estimated to be received and any match to be applied.

Section 3: That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

## <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution accepts a grant from the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse services to the Davidson County General Sessions Court to provide the Tennessee Mental Health Court Program, which includes intensive court supervision, mental health treatment services, drug testing, and substance abuse treatment services as an alternative to incarceration.

The funding supports client assistance to the Davidson County Mental Health Court through housing, transportation, medical care, mental health care, technical support, and the supplementing of salaries of mental health court staff.

The grant is funded under Tennessee Code Annotated section 16-19-108 with an annual renewal. The grant award is \$300,000 with no cash match. The grant term begins on July 1, 2024, and concludes on June 30,

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