

Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving an application for a General Sessions DUI Court grant from the U. S. Department of Justice to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Davidson County General Sessions Court, to fund and support the operations of a misdemeanor DUI court to assist in acquiring support services to minimize the risk of participants reoffending.

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Justice is accepting applications for a General Sessions DUI Court grant with an award of \$301,539.86 with no cash match required; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the General Sessions Court, is eligible to participate in this grant program; and,

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

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

Section 1. That the Metropolitan Government's application for a General Sessions DUI Court grant with an award of \$301,539.86, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Davidson County General Sessions Court is authorized to submit said application to the U. S. Department of Justice.

Section 2. 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 approves an application for a grant in the amount of \$301,539.86 from the U.S. Department of Justice to the Davidson County General Sessions Court to fund and support the operations of a new misdemeanor DUI court to assist in acquiring support services to minimize the risk of participants reoffending. If awarded, this would be a four year grant to fund drug testing costs, community building events, family support, transportation, emergency needs after offenders are released from jail, rent support, therapy, and treatment services. There would be no local cash match required.