Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving amendment one to an Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Program grant from the U. S. Department of Justice to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the General Sessions Court, to implement a DUI Court to serve participants convicted of a misdemeanor DUI offense.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the General Sessions Court, previously entered into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice to implement a DUI Court to serve participants convicted of a misdemeanor DUI offense approved by RS2022-1397; and,

WHEREAS, amendment one to the grant agreement re-allocates a total of $7,116.35 in unused funding that was designated for Drug Testing/SCRAM and Rental Assistance for year one of the grant to funding that is to be used for Travel, Airfare & Lodging for years two, three, and four of the grant; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that amendment one be approved.

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

Section 1. That amendment one to the Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Program grant by and between the U. S. Department of Justice and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the General Sessions Court, to implement a DUI Court to serve participants convicted of a misdemeanor DUI offense, a copy of which amendment one is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute the same.

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.

Analysis

This resolution amends a grant agreement between the Metropolitan Government and the U.S. Department of Justice, previously approved by Resolution No. RS2022-1397. The grant is used to implement a DUI Court to serve participants convicted of a misdemeanor DUI offense. The grant period began on October 1, 2021 and ends September 30, 2025.

This amendment reallocates a total of $7,116.35 in unused funding from Year 1 of the grant. This funding represents $2,784.35 in unused funding for Drug Testing and Rental Assistance and $4,332 in unused funding for Rental Assistance. The funds would be reallocated to Travel, Airfare & Lodging for Years Two, Three, and Four of the grant. The additional funding would allow court staff to attend state and national conferences to provide training on best practices in treatment and specialty courts and further resource education.