

Criminal Justice Commission Ball

Request: Authorization to apply for a federal grant of up to \$1.5 million from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance to assist in supporting local Oregon treatment courts.

Recommendation: Approve the request.

Discussion: On February 14, 2017, the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) submitted a letter seeking authorization to apply for the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant made available through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance. The grant application is due no later than February 18, 2017.

The goal of the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant is to provide financial and technical assistance to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidence-based practices and principles to intervene with participants with substance use disorders while preparing them for success in the community. To accomplish this goal, grant funds will be awarded to build and/or expand drug court capacity at the state, local, and tribal levels to reduce crime and substance misuse among high-risk, high-need participants. This is a competitive grant, which up to 40 grants will be awarded. Individual applicants may be awarded up to \$1.5 million in funding for a period of 36 months.

CJC intends to use grant proceeds to financially support four local Oregon treatment courts discretionary spending and a percentage of the housing support required for the new Oregon Treatment Court Case Management System replacement. There is a 25 percent match requirement associated with the grant and CJC's existing budget would satisfy this requirement. Grant applicants will be notified, if they were successful, no later than September 30, 2017. If successful, CJC may need to return to an appropriate Legislative body to seek additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation.