

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Family Drug Court Accountability Court State Grant Request
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Family Drug Court up to \$300,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
INITIATED BY:	Juvenile Court

Recommendation: Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Family Drug Court up to \$300,000.00, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award. The grant period is from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Background: The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is charged with the fiscal oversight of all Georgia Accountability Court Grant Programs.

Analysis: Muscogee County Juvenile Court is requesting funds for personnel, treatment, and operations for the Muscogee County Family Drug Court.

Financial Considerations: The City is required to provide a 12% cash match to participate in this grant program. Cash match is available through public defender and guardian ad litem allocations in the Juvenile Court departmental budget and DATE funds.

Projected Annual Fiscal Impact Statement: Muscogee County Juvenile Court is requesting funds for personnel and operations for the Muscogee County Family Drug Court.

Legal Considerations: The Columbus Consolidated Government is eligible to apply for funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Recommendation/Action: Approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application and if approved, accept funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the operation of the Muscogee County Family Drug Court from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 and to amend the Multi-governmental Fund by \$300,000 or as otherwise awarded.

RESOLUTION

NO. 082-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR A GRANT TO FUND THE MUSCOGEE COUNTY FAMILY DRUG COURT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$300,000.00 AND IF AWARDED, AMENDED THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND BY THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AWARD. THERE IS A 12% LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT AND THE GRANT PERIOD IS FROM JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024.

WHEREAS, funds have been made available from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Family Drug Court from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the funds are being made available to provide support for the operation of the Muscogee County Family Drug Court; and,

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council requires a 12% cash match and cash match is available through public defender and guardian ad litem allocations in the Juvenile Court departmental budget and DATE funds allocations.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to submit an application for a grant to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to fund the Muscogee County Family Drug Court and, if awarded, accept a grant for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 with a 12% local match requirement and to amend the Multi-Governmental Fund by the amount of the grant award.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 28th day of February 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Barnes	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Cogle	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Crabb	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Davis	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Garrett	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor House	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Huff	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Thomas	voting <u> YES </u>
Councilor Tucker	voting <u> YES </u>

Resolution No. 082-23

Sandra T. Davis
Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III
Mayor