



**COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION**

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DATE: 2/4/2025

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 FAMILY RECOVERY COURT GRANT APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION, FOR THE TARRANT COUNTY FAMILY RECOVERY COURT PROGRAM

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider submission of the FY 2026 Family Recovery Court grant application and a resolution to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division, for the continuation of the Tarrant County Family Recovery Court Program to be operated in the Family District Courts.

BACKGROUND

The Family Recovery Court Program is a continuation of the Family Recovery Court project that has been in operation in Tarrant County since November 2007. The program supports families who are involved with Child Protective Services (CPS) and whose children have been exposed to drugs. The project is implemented in collaboration with the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), Challenge of Tarrant County, Lena Pope Home, Inc., and thirty (30) other community partners.

The Family District Courts are seeking FY 2026 grant funding from the OOG in the amount of \$45,000.00 to continue the Tarrant County Family Court Recovery Program. The grant will capitalize on current community collaborations to address the recurring issue of substance use in cases previously resulting in termination of parental rights. It is expected that the project will serve approximately fifteen (15) to twenty (20) families during the next grant period.

The Budget and Risk Management Department has reviewed the budget for this grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant request is for \$45,000.00. Match is not required for this grant and indirect costs are not added to the program budget.

SUBMITTED BY	Budget and Risk Management	PREPARED BY:	Rand Otten
		APPROVED BY:	Robert Cone



RESOLUTION

State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division Tarrant County Family Recovery Court Program

WHEREAS the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Tarrant County, that the Tarrant County Family Court Program Court be operated for the 2026 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project as required by the State Criminal Justice Planning grant application; and

WHEREAS the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Criminal Justice Division funds, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County designates the County Judge as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County approves submission of the grant application for the Family Recovery Court Program to the Office of the Governor.

Signed by: _____
County Judge

Passed and Approved this 4th Day of February 2025

Grant Number: 5368001