

Decat Intent: To redirect child welfare and juvenile justice funding to services which are more preventive, family centered and community-based in order to reduce use of restrictive approaches that rely on institutional, out-of-home and out-of-community care.

LINN COUNTY DECATEGORIZATION BOARD MEETING

April 27, 2023 at 3 pm

Meeting held via Zoom. Per Open Meetings law a host site (Linn Co Community Services Building, 2nd Floor, Room # 2215) is available for the public, not able to participate via Zoom, to hear the conversation.

Members: David Thielen, Hailee Sandberg, Kristi Tisl, Mary Loops

Staff: Amy Grunewaldt, Jeanette Shoop

David Thielen called the meeting to order at 3 pm.

Public Comment (limit of 2 minutes per person): N/A

Board minutes:

- Decat Board Minutes: M/S/C (Loops, Sandberg) Motion & Second to approve Minutes from the 3/23/23 and 4/10/23 meetings. Carried unanimously.

Fiscal Items:

YTD FY23 Financial Report – Grunewaldt reviewed the financial report and provided information that programs were on target for spending, no current concerns. The board had no question.

Operational Items:

- FY24 Funding: M/S/C (Thielen, Loops) Motion & Second to approve the following FY 24 renewal contracts with the following funding amounts:

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| Decat Management and Fiscal Services | \$101,789 |
| Linn Co Community for Change Equity Team | \$ 1,000 |
| AAFRA - Resilient Youth & Family Programs and Support | \$ 10,000 |
| Professional Development/Coordination | \$ 10,000 |
| J-FAST | \$ 60,000 |
| Wrap-around & Non-Licensed Supports | \$ 8,500 |
| Family Treatment Court Supports | \$ 1,500 |
| Child Literacy Education – Minority & 2 nd Language Learners | \$ 10,000 |

The total FY 24 funding for the renewals was \$202,789

Motion: Carried unanimously.

- Mothers/Fathers Informal Bid Solicitation: M/S/C (Sandberg/Tisl) Motion & Second to issue FY24 Informal Bid Solicitation for up to \$50,000 for support program for Mothers/Fathers living in Linn County, and an optional addition of \$3,000 for services in Benton/Iowa Counties, with a possible 1 year renewal. Motion: Carried unanimously.
- Housing Stability Support Services Informal Bid Solicitation: M/S/C (Tisl, Thielen) Motion & Second to issue FY24 Informal Bid Solicitation of up to \$10,000 for Minority Housing Stability Support Services, with a possible 1 year renewal. Motion: Carried unanimously.

Board Members Discussed Selection of Evaluation Committee for DCAT4-22-008 SCT Services (JCS funds). The evaluation committee members must fulfill HHS requirements to read and score bids. The committee's recommendation will be brought to the Board. Linn County Community Services will have one member and JCS will have two members on the evaluation committee.

Open Agenda: N/A

Next Board Meeting: 5/25/23 at 3 pm

Adjournment: David Thielen at 3:58 pm

Minutes submitted by: Jeanette Shoop