

## **COUNTY COMMISSION INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING**

**Title:** Behavioral Health Court

**COMMISSION MEETING DATE:** April 9, 2024

**REQUESTING DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY:** District Court

**CONTACT PERSON:** Todd Heitschmidt

### **1. Description of Issue**

District Court looking at implementing a Behavioral Health Court

### **2. Discussion of Issue**

The District Court is looking at the possibility of developing another specialty court program, similar to that of "Drug Court". The Specialty Court would be "Behavioral Health Court". The District Court would be applying for a grant for this program through the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The Solicitation Title of this grant is "Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program". This grant is a 3 yr. cycle and would need matching dollars. We anticipate the maximum matching dollars needed would total \$155,000.00 over the 3 years. (\$20,000 1<sup>st</sup> yr., \$45,000 2<sup>nd</sup> yr., and \$90,000 3<sup>rd</sup> yr.). The maximum Federal contribution we could receive is \$550,000.00 over three years.