

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc. request for \$403,625 in Spirit Funds to purchase items with three main focuses: an enhanced patient experience through updated tools; environmental and financial sustainability and emergency and disaster preparedness for the clinic property; financial stability with permanent mobile clinic storage.

General Description:

Tri-County Community Dental Clinic will purchase equipment to provide better dental care and with cutting-edge technology, we can compete for higher-caliber Fellows – recent dental school graduates who spend a year honing their skills.

Action Requested:

Tri-County Community Dental Clinic request for \$403,625 in Spirit Funds to purchase dental equipment, improve environmental and financial stability of clinic, be better prepared for disasters, and provide storage for mobile clinic.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: ARPA Strategy & Outcomes Commission Meeting date: 01/31/2024

Background:

Tri-County Dental is a volunteer-based dental clinic whose mission is to provide quality oral health care in a caring and compassionate manner. We serve individuals in Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago counties whose access to dental health care is limited due to income constraints or receiving Medicaid benefits. Our focus is on children and providing quality care and education early so they maintain a healthy mouth throughout their lives.

Policy Discussion:

The commission has recognized Government Identified Community Projects that support or enhance county services:

- 1) Tri-County Community Dental Clinic will purchase equipment and fortify their organization to be better prepared to serve Winnebago County's community members with dental care needs and enhance services provided by Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.
- 2) \$403,625 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to quality, essential dental care from dental professionals training to deliver innovative treatment.

Attachments: