

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT STRATEGY & OUTCOMES COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024 @ 1:00 PM**

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NOTICE OF ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday, January 31, 2024

TIME OF MEETING: 1:00 PM

PLACE OF MEETING: David W. Albrecht Administration Building
Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room (Room 120)
112 Otter Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54901

SUBJECT MATTER OF THE MEETING

A. Call to Order

B. Public Comments

C. Approval of Minutes

1. January 17, 2024, meeting

D. Business Items

1. Update/Discussion: Status of where Municipalities stand regarding the \$145,000 Spirit Funds distribution.
2. Update/Discussion: Review of interest earned on the Spirit Funds.
3. Discussion: Airboat Housed at Winneconne Poygan Fire Department, Oshkosh Fire Department and Neenah/Menasha Fire Departments
4. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Update Water and Sewer Lines Under the Fox River in the City of Omro (Request \$500,000)

- *This resolution was discussed at the January 17, 2024, meeting. The commission voted to layover the discussion on this resolution until the following meeting which would take place on January 31, 2024.*

5. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Expand the Building of NOVA Counseling Services Facilities

- *This resolution was discussed and voted on at the December 14, 2023, ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission to forward to the County Board for approval. This was presented to the County Board at their January 16, 2024, meeting. The County Board referred this back to the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission.*

6. Discussion/Action: Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for:

- People of Progression Inc. (Request \$50,000)
- NEW Mental Health Connection (Request \$90,000)
- First 5 Fox Valley, Inc (Request \$300,000)
- Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc (Request \$403,625)
- Child Care Resource and Referral (Request \$450,000)
- Pillars, Inc. (Request \$50,000)

E. Set next meeting date, time, and location.

The next meeting date will be Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the David W. Albrecht Administration Building in the Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room (Room 120).

F. Adjourn

**This meeting is also being posted as a committee meeting for:

- Park View Health Center Committee
- Highway Committee
- Winnebago County Board of Supervisors

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WINNEBAGO COUNTY
ARPA Strategy and Outcomes
Commission Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, January 17, 2024

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: David W. Albrecht Administration Building
112 Otter Avenue
Oshkosh WI 54901
Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room 120

PRESENT: Co-Chair Tom Egan, County Board Chairman
Co-Chair Jon Doemel, County Executive
Morris Cox, Personnel and Finance Chair
Chuck Farrey, County Board Vice-chair
Tom Borchart, County Board Member
Tom Belter, Public Member
Beth Oswald, Public Member
Tim Galloway, Public Member

ABSENT: Andy Buck, County Board Member
Paul Kaiser, Director of Finance (non-voting member)

ALSO PRESENT: Cassie Smith-Gregor, Deputy County Clerk
Mary Anne Mueller, Corporation Counsel
Victoria Kinderman, Corporation Counsel
Lara Vendola-Messer, Sheriff's Office
Tim Eichman, Sheriff's Office
Supervisor Douglas Nelson
Supervisor Kay Horan
Supervisor Shanah Zastera
Jane Lang, City of Neenah Mayor
Don Merkes, City of Menasha Mayor
Jeff Bernice, Neenah Police Department
Vicky Rasmussen, City of Neenah
Joel Rasmussen, Town of Algoma
Rich Heath, Town of Algoma
Paul Williams
Aaron L. Olson, Neenah Police Department
Ryan Zastera, Oshkosh
Jim Peglow, Neenah Menasha Fire Rescue
Shane Krueger, Neenah Menasha Fire Rescue
Travis Teesch, Neenah Menasha Fire Rescue
James Fluette, Village of Winneconne
Brenda Kubasta, Village of Winneconne
Sam Schroeder, City of Menasha
Tony Daley – Journalist – The Omro Herald

via **ZOOM**
Supervisor Rachael Dowling
Supervisor Bryan Stafford
Supervisor Conley Hanson
Nick Thorn, Menasha Police
Department
Lu Scheer
Dana Bain, Child Care
Resource & Referral
Jessica Schneider
Todd's iPhone

1. Call to Order

Co-Chair Jon Doemel called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Co-Chair Jon Doemel reported that Supervisor Andy Buck and Paul Kaiser are excused for today's meeting and Beth Oswald will arrive a little late.

2. Public Comments

Lara Vendola-Messer, Sheriff's Office, spoke on behalf of Sheriff John Matz who was unable to be there, at the request of County Executive Jon Doemel. Ms. Vendola-Messer gave an update on the current status of the Sheriff's Office.

owned airboats. They own three of them and they're all about 20 years old and slated for replacement at the 20-year mark. They are on the list for congressional direct spending to come to the county. It's in the fiscal year 2024 budget and that appropriation piece is still pending and needs to be voted on and looks like it might be extended until March. When the Feds finally approve that packet, it will be in the Commerce Science and Justice Section of the Bill. Winnebago County is going to have \$990,000 deposited for these three airboats to be replaced. The three airboats are currently housed at the Neenah Menasha Fire Department, Oshkosh Fire Department and the Winneconne Poygan Fire Department. The Sheriff's Office is fully intending to replace them. If for some reason there is no federal budget, there are plans in the current county Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) which is a 5-year plan for 2025, 2026, and 2027 for those boats to be replaced.

Supervisor Chuck Farrey requested an agenda item for the next meeting to revisit the request from the Winneconne Poygan Fire District to purchase their own airboat. This was on the original list. Mr. Farrey believed it was pulled because of a misunderstanding of intent. He requests that it be an agenda item for discussion by the commission to determine whether they want to put it back on the list and then go from there.

County Board Supervisor Shanah Zastera read a letter that she sent to the County Executive because residents at the southern part of the county need and deserve to have adequate parking for lake access. Black Wolf Boat Launch is the county's most used boat landing. Ms. Zastera spoke with Adam Breest, Winnebago County Parks Director, and was informed that in the past, the county owned more land at the park and sold it thinking they didn't need it. That money went back to the county. This is an opportunity to replace that land that was sold for additional parking with Federal Spirit Fund dollars and it wouldn't cost the taxpayers. They would appreciate your support in bringing this need up before the commission.

County Board Supervisor Kay Horan spoke about the value of life. The Sheriff's Office STAR program, Solutions Recovery, Christine Ann Center, Human Services, Health Department and Fire Departments are all in the job of saving lives. Ms. Horan believes we all need to be aware that saving a life goes from the beginning of life to the end of life.

Don Merkes, City of Menasha Mayor, stated the City of Menasha submitted several proposals and were disappointed that they were never contacted back to get more information about those proposals. He stated this has been a very difficult path to follow. They had found out a couple of days before the meeting that there were items for the City of Menasha on the agenda. Prior to that, they didn't know they were going to be on the agenda and that they're also being considered to be partially funded which means can they afford to do the other half of the project if they only receive partial funding from the county. Mr. Merkes highlighted two Menasha proposals that were on the list originally since it appeared to him that affordable housing is a big priority for this commission based upon some of the things that have been funded. He discussed both proposals, the Nicolet School and the Whiting site properties, and what the City of Menasha could do and what they need to make that happen if the commission would consider these two projects for Spirit Funding.

Jane Lang, City of Neenah Mayor, echoed a lot of what Mayor Don Merkes mentioned to the commission. She shared his disappointment in this entire process. She thinks they've all been a bit confused throughout the process and felt like there was a severe lack of communication to the municipalities, as far as what the commission's priorities were, how that was being accomplished and finally what was the criteria the commission was using to judge these projects. What were the commission's priorities and how were those reflected of what the intention of ARPA dollars originally was supposed to be addressing. That has been a source of frustration for the municipalities. Ms. Lang's understanding of ARPA funding was to address infrastructure and Public Safety. She also echoed Supervisor Kay Horan's statement on the value of life and feels that their project that they put forward relative to the police barricades will save lives.

Aaron Olson, Neenah Police Chief, echoed Mayor Jane Lang's comments. He strongly urges and asks for the commission's support for the Mobile Traffic Barriers in the full requested amount of \$300,000 to protect and keep their citizens safe.

Richard Heath, Town of Algoma Administrator, spoke in support of agenda item no. 8, to fund the south leg of a 2-lane roundabout at the intersection of Leonard Point Road and State Highway 21 in the Town of Algoma.

James Fluette, Director of Public Works for the Village of Winneconne, asked the commission to amend the Village of Winneconne's request to include an additional \$9,500 to help them get their comprehensive strategic plan for Marble Park. They have had a couple donors come forward and want to enhance the park but they need to come up with a plan first. If the commission helps to fund that, they can improve another park under the Spirit Funds.

Supervisor Douglas Nelson spoke in support for agenda item no. 13, to upgrade the Winneconne Parks including remodeling the barn and improving boat ramps and piers, fish cleaning stations, larger bulk heads, extended parking in the Village of Winneconne.

Supervisor Douglas Nelson also commented on the airboat issue. The Village of Winneconne just wants an airboat. Mr. Nelson doesn't know that they are that concerned who actually owns the airboat. They just want a good functional airboat in their firehouse that they can respond to. The Village of Winneconne never requested any money for radios because they wanted to make sure there was money so they could have an updated airboat.

Gregory Madaus also spoke regarding agenda item no. 13, to upgrade the Winneconne Parks including remodeling the barn and improving boat ramps and piers, fish cleaning stations, larger bulk heads, extended parking in the Village of Winneconne. Mr. Madaus stated that it was determined on September 7, 2004, at a County Board meeting that the county would transfer the county landing and park to the Village of Winneconne. At that time, it required that the Winnebago County taxpayers pay for improvements prior to the transfer. In the future, Winnebago County would be paying for maintenance and improvements. After the transfer, people had to purchase an additional pass for Winneconne when it was

already part of Winnebago County. Mr. Madaus respectfully asks that someone would make a motion to attach a contingency that for the funding that all county residents with valid permits and passes, the county landings be honored in their program.

Sam Schroeder, Community Development Director, City of Menasha, expanded on the City of Menasha's Mayor Jane Lang's comments. Mr. Schroeder stated there is a lot of projects going on, not only the City of Menasha but every single community. He stressed to really understand what these projects entail and that means communication, understanding the ins and outs of a project. When the City of Menasha received the application process at the end of August, it was shared to us that the county was looking at general ideas; what is the general ideas out in that community. Mr. Schroeder's concern was in no way shape or form did he look at that as actually an application for a grant. Grant writing is storytelling. It's not just the title or headline, it's what your return on your investment will be.

Supervisor Rachael Dowling stated she is very disappointed with the process of ARPA and more disappointed in the lack of communication and the prioritizing of pet projects that she has seen over the last couple of months. Ms. Dowling has heard and seen all of the requests from the communities and that is very disheartening. There are issues that need to be addressed, infrastructure issues that need to be addressed, housing issues that need to be addressed and she really feels like we spent away so much money. She had personally submitted four requests for ARPA dollars for the City of Menasha and feels very rejected and laughed at by what she submitted including the sidewalk project for Appleton Road.

Supervisor Bryan Stafford echoed Mayor Jane Lang's and Police Chief Aaron Olson's comments. Mr. Stafford supports both agenda items, no. 7 and no. 6, to purchase mobile traffic barriers for the City of Neenah and the City of Menasha. He implores the commission to approve funds and bring it forward to the County Board. Mr. Stafford believes this is a great fit for the funds and it is something that will go a long ways in helping our community both remain safe and have an essential building block for us to thrive in the future.

Nick Thorn, Menasha Police Department, spoke in extreme support of agenda item no. 6, to purchase mobile traffic barriers for the City of Menasha.

Jessica Schneider is with the First Five Fox Valley. Her role is the Statewide Expansion Director for the HELP Me Grow Wisconsin. The Help Me Grow Program promotes collaboration across child serving sectors in order to build a more efficient and effective system which promotes healthy development of children. The Help Me Grow system connects families with developmental screenings, early childhood resources and ongoing supportive follow up until the child moves into the school system. Ms. Schneider stated at First Five Fox Valley, they continue to expand free developmental screening opportunities because they are hopeful that protective factors will be strengthened and resiliency will be built in order to prevent and buffer potentially adverse experiences. Their goal is to find children and families where they are and ensure equitable access to services for all families in the community.

Dana Bain, Child Care Resource & Referral Development Director, and I am sitting in for Candy Hall, Child Care Resource & Referral Executive Director. Last month, Ms. Hall presented to the commission the importance of supporting Winnebago childcare workforce employees while simultaneously serving young children and families. Child Care Resource & Referral is requesting Spirit Funds to implement a childcare substitute program for over 90 regulated group and family childcare providers in Winnebago County.

3. Approval of December 14, 2023, meeting minutes.

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Borchart, to approve the December 14, 2023, meeting minutes. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Motion by Belter, seconded by Doemel, to re-open Public Comments. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

2. Public Comments (Continued)

Supervisor Conley Hanson remains befuddled as a first-time supervisor. He has built, ran, and sold a very successful business. He is not yet able to divorce his thinking of fiscal responsibility from private to government by just increasing debt, increase a bond, sales tax, or property tax etc. Mr. Hanson listened to \$80-\$100 million dollars of need from Director Elder. They have the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and budgets before them. As of last night, prior to the vote between the current bond and cash available in the Spirit Fund, they are between 31-33% funded. Mr. Hanson stated it's great to have \$33+ million of funds available. Responsible allocation is his fiduciary responsibility to District 26 and the residents of Winnebago County and not increasing a tax or bond in three years or so to have to fund—now that's a legacy.

4. Discussion: Status of where Municipalities stand regarding the \$145,000 Spirit Funds distribution. A handout is included. Member Paul Kaiser will not be in attendance for this meeting.

A handout was prepared by Paul Kaiser and was included in the packet that showed the status of where the municipalities stand regarding the \$145,000 Spirit Funds distribution due to Mr. Kaiser being excused from today's meeting.

Co-Chair Doemel provided a brief update on this matter.

5. Discussion: Review of interest earned on the Spirit Funds. A handout is included. Member Paul Kaiser will not be in attendance for this meeting.

A handout was prepared by Paul Kaiser and was included in the packet that explained where the Spirit funds are at with the interest earned from those funds. A document was provided that showed the interest earned from the Spirit Fund; Spirit Fund Projects that have been presented and passed by the County Board; and what has been approved and spent at this time.

Co-Chair Doemel provided a brief update on this matter. Mr. Doemel also mentioned that Director Kaiser wanted to make sure that the commission wait until he gets back before the commission has any action on this. Mr. Kaiser is also working with the Personnel & Finance Committee and some others to come up with a Fund Balance Policy where they have something very clear where our general fund should be and where our balances should try to remain. Mr. Kaiser wanted the commission to pause on allocating any of these dollars or putting it anywhere until he gets a better grasp on where those should be.

Mr. Doemel stated hopefully the next meeting the commission can come back with a recommendation and the possible action for what to with that.

6. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Purchase Mobile Traffic Barriers for the City of Menasha (Request \$184,957)

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Belter, to adopt the request to Purchase Mobile Traffic Barriers for the City of Menasha at an amount of \$184,957.

Vote on resolution: AYES: 8; NAYES: 0; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Buck. PASSED.

7. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Purchase Mobile Traffic Barriers for the City of Neenah (Request \$300,000)

Motion by Belter, seconded by Farrey, to adopt the request to Purchase Mobile Traffic Barriers for the City of Neenah at an amount of \$300,000.

Vote on resolution: AYES: 8; NAYES: 0; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Buck. PASSED.

8. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Fund the South Leg of a 2-Lane Roundabout at the Intersection of Leonard Point Road and State Highway 21 in the Town of Algoma (Request \$387,500)

Motion by Egan, seconded by Farrey, to adopt the request to Fund the South Leg of a 2-Lane Roundabout at the Intersection of Leonard Point Road and State Highway 21 in the Town of Algoma at an amount of \$387,500.

Vote on resolution: AYES: 8; NAYES: 0; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Buck. PASSED.

9. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Update Water and Sewer Lines Under the Fox River in the City of Omro (Request \$500,000)

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Borchart, to bring resolution to the floor for discussion without an amount.

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Egan, to adopt the request to Update Water and Sewer Lines Under the Fox River in the City of Omro at an amount of \$500,000.

Motion by Tim Galloway, seconded by Egan, to layover for discussion until the next meeting which will take place on Wednesday, January 31, 2024. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

10. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Build an Emergency Service Training Facility for the Neenah/Menasha Fire Department (Request \$750,000)

Motion by Egan, seconded by Belter, to adopt the request to Build an Emergency Service Training Facility for the Neenah/Menasha Fire Department at an amount of \$750,000.

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Belter, to make an amendment to the resolution and amend the funding amount to \$500,000.

Vote on amendment to the resolution. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Vote on resolution as amended: AYES: 7; NAYES: 1 - Doemel; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Buck. PASSED.

11. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Develop a 55-Unit Low-Income Mixed-Use Development Project by the Commonwealth Development in the City of Oshkosh (Request \$750,000)

Kelly Nieforth, Community Development Department Director, formally requested to remove the two City of Oshkosh's Spirit Fund application resolutions that were on the January 17, 2024, meeting agenda. The City is withdrawing the two applications that were submitted to the County for Spirit Fund funding. Therefore, this resolution was pulled by the City of Oshkosh.

12. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for Affordable Workforce Housing in the City of Oshkosh (Request \$995,000)

Kelly Nieforth, Community Development Department Director, formally requested to remove the two City of Oshkosh's Spirit Fund application resolutions that were on the January 17, 2024, meeting agenda. The City is withdrawing the two applications that were submitted to the County for Spirit Fund funding. Therefore, this resolution was pulled by the City of Oshkosh.

13. Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Upgrade the Winneconne Parks including Remodeling the Barn and Improving Boat Ramps and Piers, Fish Cleaning Stations, Larger Bulk Heads, Extended Parking in the Village of Winneconne (Request \$315,000)

Motion by Farrey, seconded by Belter, to adopt the request to Upgrade the Winneconne Parks including Remodeling the Barn and Improving Boat Ramps and Piers, Fish Cleaning Stations, Larger Bulk Heads, Extended Parking in the Village of Winneconne at an amount of \$324,500.

Vote on resolution: AYES: 8; NAYES: 0; ABSTAIN: 0; ABSENT: 1 – Buck. PASSED.

14. Discussion/Possible Action: Continue prioritizing, selection, and funding amounts for projects for Spirit Funding.

The commission will continue to discuss the remaining projects; identify details of the project; cost of the project; requested amounts; and determine the amounts to be considered by the commission at the next meeting.

Supervisor Farrey requested that Paul Kaiser communicate with Beth Oswald and give the commission a definitive number before we proceed any further to next meeting. The commission also needs to decide on what to do with the interest.

Mr. Doemel stated Mr. Kaiser may need a little more time to prepare the information Supervisor Farrey requested. A couple of other reasons that Mr. Doemel has for that is that the commission has two projects that are pending; another project that's been pulled and he wants to explain the why on that; and we also have Nova coming back.

Supervisor Farrey stated that is why we need a very definitive number of the amount remaining to allocate and would like Mr. Kaiser to confirm that figure with Beth Oswald's figure on the working spreadsheet.

15. Set next meeting date and time.

The next two meeting dates will be Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the David W. Albrecht Administration Building in the Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room (Room 120).

16. Adjournment.

Motion made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Belter, to adjourn at 3:23 p.m. MOTION CARRIES.

Submitted by:
Cassie Smith-Gregor
Winnebago County Deputy Clerk

MUNICIPALITIES \$145,000 - SPIRIT FUND

Updated 01/08/2024

	City of Menasha	City of Neenah	City of Omro	City of Oshkosh	Town of Algoma	Town of Black Wolf	Town of Clayton	Town of Neenah	Town of Nekimi	Town of Nepeuskun	Town of Omro	Town of Oshkosh	Town of Poygan	Town of Rushford	Town of Utica	Town of Vinland	Town of Winchester	Town of Winneconne	Town of Wolf River	Village of Fox Crossing	Village of Winneconne	
Signed Standard Agreement																						
Reimbursement	N/A		N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A					N/A				
Advance		N/A			N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				N/A	
County Work	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			N/A	
Governing Body Approval of Project																						
Narrative of how Project Complies with Framework of Spirit Fund																						
Before Pictures										N/A	N/A											
After Pictures										N/A	N/A											
Location of Project in WC				N/A		N/A						N/A									N/A	
Documentaion procurement procedures followed if applicable										N/A												
EFT letter from bank regarding routing number and account number. OR Payee Name and address for Mailing																						
W9 Form																						
Payment sent to Municipality																						

PROJECTS RELATED TO MUNICIPALITIES

City of Menasha	Public Works Facility Solar Phase II Project. ACH done on 9/11/2023
City of Neenah	Project to pave Hunt Avenue, Brookwood Drive and Fairwood Drive. ACH done on 11/9/2023
City of Omro	Jackson/Tyler Street and Sidwalk Improvement Project. ACH on 10/5/2023
City of Oshkosh	Fire Department turnout and bunker gear. ACH on 11/9/2023
Town of Algoma	Road work done by Kartechner Brothers. Paid on 10/19/2023.
Town of Black Wolf	Road Work. ACH 11/9/2023
Town of Clayton	Park located N CTH JJ & E 76 and Reconstruction of Friendship Trail. ACH 10/5/2023
Town of Neenah	Public Restroom at Keating Park. ACH 10/5/2023.
Town of Nekimi	Highway Department to do an Overlay on South Clay Road.
Town of Nepeuskun	Road Maintenance for Koro Road, 37th Ave and Hilke Road. Paid on 11/22/2023
Town of Omro	Broderick Road, Rivermoor Road, Ninth Street Road, Leonard Point Road, Parada Road. Paid 8/24/2023
Town of Oshkosh	Fire Engine Truck. ACH 11/9/2023
Town of Poygan	Oak Hill Culvert. Paid 11/22/2023
Town of Rushford	Stone School Road improvement project with total cost of \$200,000. Paid on 8/11/2023
Town of Utica	Burr Oak Road overlay Hwy 44 to N. Ripple Road. Town paid Highway Dept and Cty reimbursed town. 11/16/2023
Town of Vinland	Grundman Boat launch half mile stretch leading into park. Town will submit for reimbursement in 2024
Town of Winchester	Construction of an Accessory Building for Fire Department. Paid on 9/12/2023
Town of Winneconne	Town of Winneconne to build Town Hall garage to house emergency vehicles. Paid 11/22/2023
Town of Wolf River	Email received on wanting to use \$144,000 on a fire truck but not decided on remaining \$1,000
Village of Fox Crossing	Purchase of a Vacuum leaf truck. Paid 10/19/2023
Village of Winneconne	Lake Winneconne Park and Sewall. EFT done on 1/9/2024 for \$145,000.

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
FROM: County Executive
RE: Discussion: Airboat Housed at Winneconne Poygan Fire Department, Oshkosh Fire Department and Neenah/Menasha Fire Departments

General Description:

Funding rescue airboats at area fire departments

Action Requested:

Recommend not to advance due to a congressionally directed spending request from Senator Baldwin

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____
Action taken:	_____	Vote:	_____
County Board:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____

Background

Policy Discussion

The commission approved framework which directed staff to look at other funding in addition to the Spirit Fund. That was done in this case and the county has secured congressionally directed spending (earmark) for this item.

Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Project Description: Funding for ice rescue boats needed for rescues of individuals in distress on the recreational lakes and waterways of Winnebago County.

Project Location: Winnebago County, WI

Amount Requested: \$990,000

Attachments:

None

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
FROM: County Executive
RE: Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$ _____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Update Water and Sewer Lines Under the Fox River in the City of Omro (Request \$500,000)

- *This resolution was discussed at the January 17, 2024, meeting. The commission voted to layover the discussion on this resolution until the following meeting which would take place on January 31, 2024.*

General Description:

City of Omro update of water and sewer lines under the Fox River

Action Requested:

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction:	ARPA Strategy and Outcomes	Meeting Date:	1/31/2024
Action taken:	_____	Vote:	_____
County Board:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____

Background

In an effort to provide economical municipal services to our community, the City of Omro would like to complete water, sewer, storm sewer, street and sidewalks as well as curb and gutter street reconstruction project. The project will result in safer transportation services for both pedestrians and drivers alike. The utility replacement should last another 50 years and the streets and other infrastructure another 25+ years. This project has already been awarded a \$1 million dollar CDBG Grant and funding of this portion with Spirit Funds will drastically reduce the need for borrowing and the corresponding debt service increases to taxpayers.

Policy Discussion

The city expects little to no increase in the operational budget for maintenance. With the reduced maintenance necessary due to new construction, the city expects a decrease in maintenance costs to the area for water and sewer issues.

Attachments:

1. Omro submitted Application
2. C of Omro Resolution
3. Preliminary Siphon Replacement Estimate 2024.01.19
4. Sanitary+District+Parcels+Map+2022
5. Omro Sanitary Interceptor Plan Sheet_1972_PROPOSED
6. CITY OF OMRO SPIRIT FUNDS

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: City of Omro

Assigned Application Number: 23

Organization: City of Omro

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Steve Jungwirth

Name of person completing survey: Barbara Jane Van Clake

Email: bvanclake@omro-wi.com

Phone: 9206857000

Type of organization requesting funding: Government

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): To provide economical municipal services to our community.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes, annually.

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: Compete water, sewer, storm sewer, street and sidewalks as well as curb and gutter street reconstruction project.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? City of Omro

Where is the primary location of the project? W Larrabee Street, Grant Avenue and Michigan Street

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 4000

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve? City of Omro, Winnebago County, School District of Omro

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: Safer transportation services for both pedestrians and drivers alike. The utility replacement should last another 50 years and the streets and other infrastructure another 25+ years. This project has already been awarded a \$1 million dollar CDBG Grant and funding of this portion with Spirit Funds will drastically reduce the need for borrowing and the corresponding debt service increases to taxpayers.

In what stage is the project? Within 12 mo. of completion

What is the estimated completion date? 31-Dec-23

Estimated cost of the entire project: 2.5 million

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: 1.5 million

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: GO and Revenue Debt, Clean Water Fund Loans

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? No

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list CDBG W Larrabee Street Project

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: City of Omro

Assigned Application Number: 23

Trails for Parks

Recreational Boating

Urban Forestry

Urban Forestry Catastrophic Grant

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? 100%

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: 145,000 Winnebago County

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? City of Omro

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? The city expects little to no increase in the operational budget for maintenance. With the reduced maintenance necessary with new construction we expect a decrease in maintenance costs to the area for water and sewer issues.

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 23

Request from: City of Omro

Type of project: Omro

General Scope of Project: Compete water, sewer, storm sewer, street and sidewalks as well as curb and gutter street reconstruction project.

Project Lead: City of Omro

Primary location: W Larrabee Street, Grant Avenue and Michigan Street

of individuals served by project: 4000

Areas served: City of Omro, Winnebago County, School District of Omro

Lasting impact: Safer transportation services for both pedestrians and drivers alike. The utility replacement should last another 50 years and the streets and other infrastructure another 25+ years. This project has already been awarded a \$1 million dollar CDBG Grant

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: City of Omro

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and funding of this portion with Spirit Funds will drastically reduce the need for borrowing and the corresponding debt service increases to taxpayers.

Completion Date: 31-Dec-23
Project Stage: Within 12 mo. of completion
Project Cost: 2.5 million
Requested Amount: 1,500,000
Other Funding: GO and Revenue Debt, Clean Water Fund Loans
Is full Amt Required: No
Other Govt. Funding: CDBG W Larrabee Street Project

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Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

Other ARPA Funds: 100%
145,000 Winnebago County

Ongoing Maint: City of Omro
Increase to Operational budget: The city expects little to no increase in the operational budget for maintenance. With the reduced maintenance necessary with new construction we expect a decrease in maintenance costs to the area for water and sewer issues.

Legacy: N/A

One-time funding: N/A
Geographic service area: Omro
Other funding: GO and Revenue Debt, Clean Water Fund Loans

Notes: N/A

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: yes?

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: City of Omro

Assigned Application Number: 23

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

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City of Omro

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One-time funding:

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Geographic service area:

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Other funding:

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Notes:

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Sustainability focused:

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ER Response:

N/A

Water Quality:

yes?

Quality of Life:

N/A

Funding to assist private investor:

N/A

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3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category Update of Water and Sewer Lines Under the Fox**
5 **River in the City of Omro**

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7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

8 **WHEREAS**, this proposed project will replace old, dilapidated water and sewer utilities crossing under the
9 Fox River connecting the water and sewer systems for the north and south side of the City of Omro, and

10 **WHEREAS**, the City of Omro completed a Spirit Fund application on-time, requesting \$500,000 , and

11 **WHEREAS**, the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission recommends a grant of \$500,000 from the
12 Winnebago County Spirit Fund; and

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$_____ from
14 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved to update water and sewer lines under
15 the Fox River in the City of Omro.

16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion of the
17 project, the City of Omro will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance Director outlining
18 the expenditures. The documentation will be submitted within 6 months of the completion of the project but not to
19 exceed 5 years from date of disbursement.

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22 County to have been misused or misappropriated. Any reimbursement of funds which is required by Winnebago
23 County shall be due within 45 days after giving written notice to recipient of such misuse or misappropriation.

24 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$_____ will be authorized for use from the*
25 *Spirit Fund.*

26 Respectfully submitted by:

27 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

28 Commission Vote:

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30 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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32 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this _____ day of _____, 2023.

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35 _____
36 Jonathan D. Doemel
37 Winnebago County Executive
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City of Omro

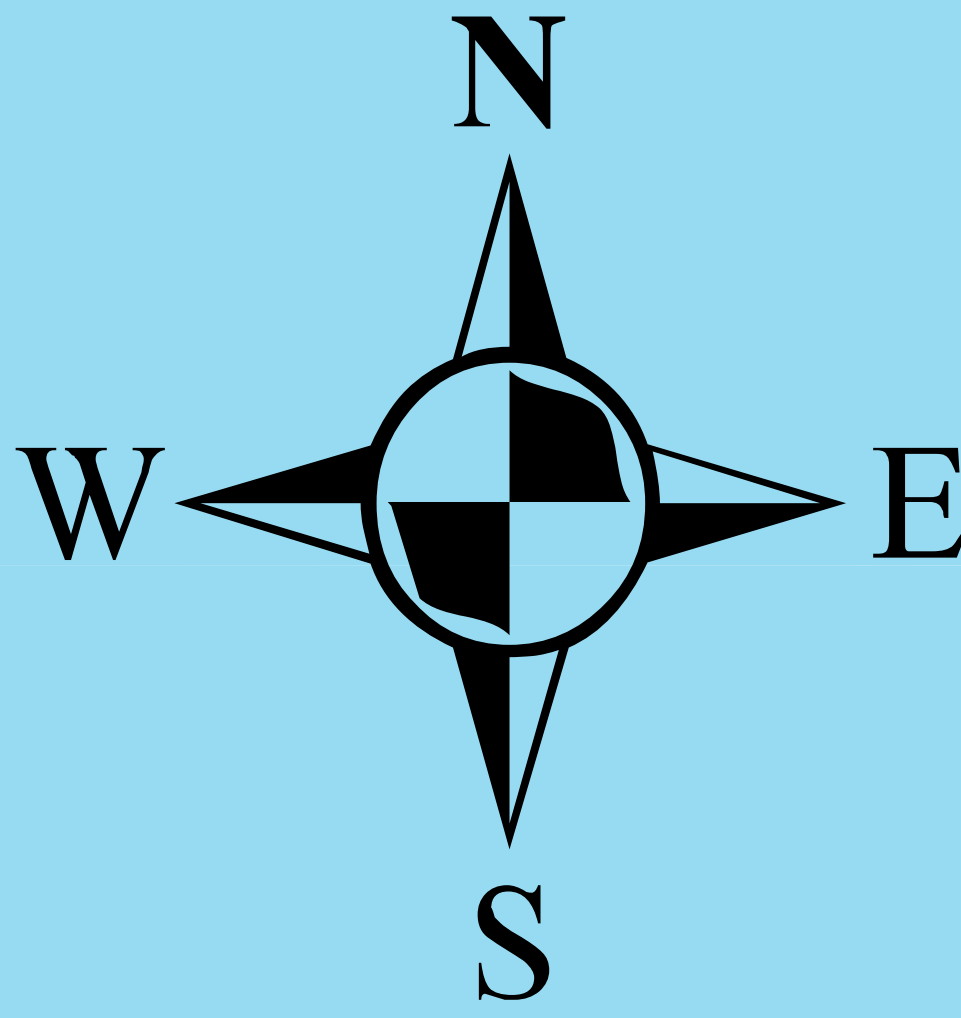
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Fox River Crossing Utility Replacement (Scott Park to Fox & Hounds Park)

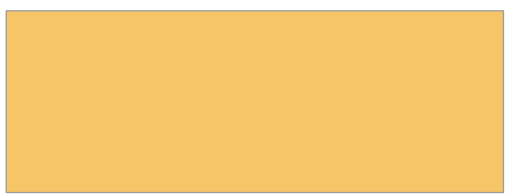
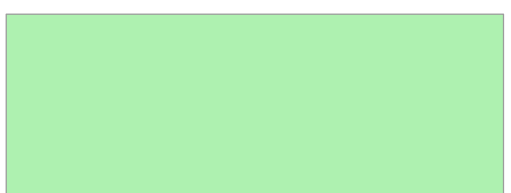



Replace existing sanitary sewer siphon under the Fox River. Replacement limits are from the existing structures in Scott Park to Fox & Hound
 Water main will be replaced from East River Drive to Main Street.

ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNITS	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	Water	Sanitary
General Items							
	Mobilization/Bonds/Insurance	1	LS	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
	Traffic Control	1	LS	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00
	Turf Restoration	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	Imported Granular Backfill	2,500	TON	\$ 12.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
	Dense Graded Base, 9-Inches	950	SY	\$ 15.00	\$ 14,250.00	\$ 7,125.00	\$ 7,125.00
	Breaker Run, 9-Inches	950	SY	\$ 15.00	\$ 14,250.00	\$ 7,125.00	\$ 7,125.00
	Asphaltic Concrete Pavement, 3.5-Inches	20	SY	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
	Curb and Gutter	25	LF	\$ 75.00	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 1,875.00	
	Concrete Pavement	50	SY	\$ 150.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	
	Silt Fence, Installed & Maintained	750	LF	\$ 5.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 1,875.00
	Tracking Pad	2	EA	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
	Utility Line Openings (ULO)	10	EA	\$ 500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Sanitary Sewer Siphon Replacement							
	Control Structures, Modifications	1	LS	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00
	Sanitary Sewer 12-Inch HDD, Fusible PVC	680	LF	\$ 150.00	\$ 102,000.00		\$ 102,000.00
	Core and Connect to Existing Structure	4	EA	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 14,000.00		\$ 14,000.00
	Abandon Existing Siphon and Mains	335	LF	\$ 30.00	\$ 10,050.00		\$ 10,050.00
	Bypass Pumping	1	LS	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 30,000.00
Water Main Replacement							
	Water Main, 12-Inch HDD, Fusible PVC	340	LF	\$ 150.00	\$ 51,000.00	\$ 51,000.00	
	Water Main, 12-Inch Open Cut, PVC	800	LF	\$ 90.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	
	Valve Manhole, Complete	2	EA	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 27,000.00	
	Misc. Fittings	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
	Fire Hydrant	1	EA	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	
	Connect to Existing Water Main	2	EA	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
	Abandon Existing Water Main	1	LS	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
	Subtotal				\$ 491,175.00	\$ 255,250.00	\$ 235,925.00
	Construction Contingencies (20%)				\$ 98,300.00	\$ 51,083.78	\$ 47,216.22
	Construction Subtotal				\$ 589,475.00	\$ 306,333.78	\$ 283,141.22
	Engineering/Admin/Legal/Permits (15%)				\$ 88,500.00	\$ 45,990.99	\$ 42,509.01
	Geotechnical Investigation				\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
	Total				\$ 685,975.00	\$ 356,324.77	\$ 329,650.23
						51.94%	48.06%



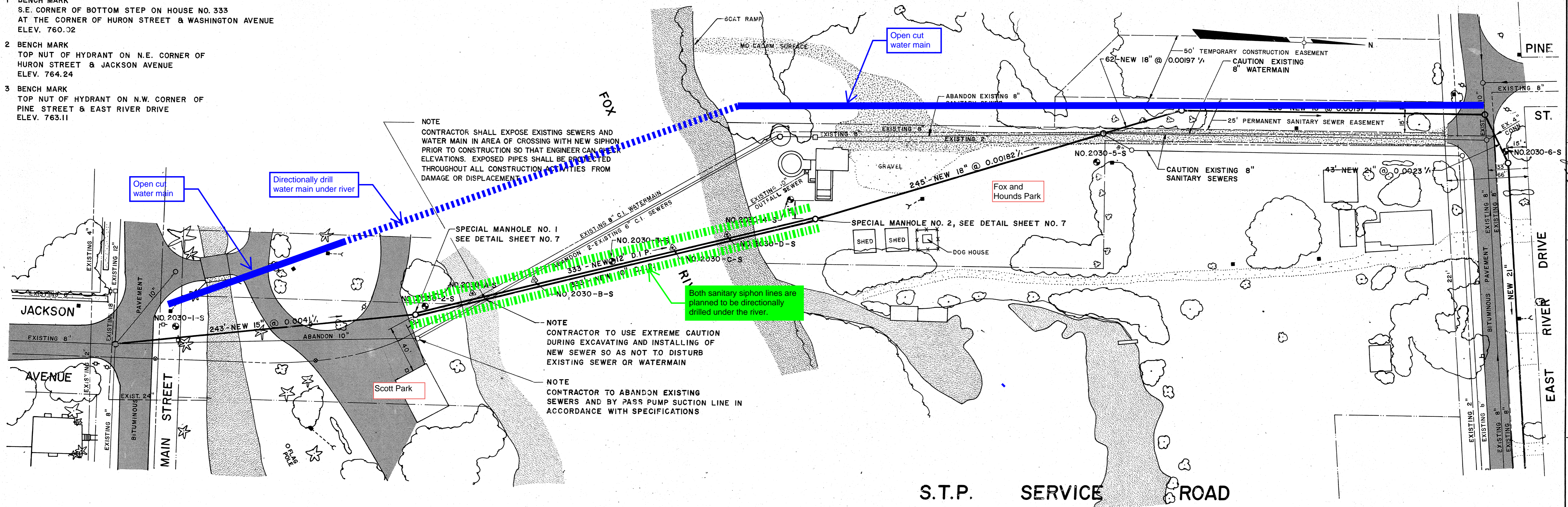
Algoma Sanitary District

-  Town of Algoma
-  Town of Omro
-  City of Oshkosh

SANITARY DISTRICT ACREAGE
ALGOMA SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1
TOWN OF ALGOMA
WINNEBAGO COUNTY WISCONSIN
Date: 10/28/2022



- 1 BENCH MARK
S.E. CORNER OF BOTTOM STEP ON HOUSE NO. 333
AT THE CORNER OF HURON STREET & WASHINGTON AVENUE
ELEV. 760.32
- 2 BENCH MARK
TOP NUT OF HYDRANT ON N.E. CORNER OF
HURON STREET & JACKSON AVENUE
ELEV. 764.24
- 3 BENCH MARK
TOP NUT OF HYDRANT ON N.W. CORNER OF
PINE STREET & EAST RIVER DRIVE
ELEV. 763.11



NOTE
CONTRACTOR SHALL EXPOSE EXISTING SEWERS AND WATER MAIN IN AREA OF CROSSING WITH NEW SIPHON PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION SO THAT ENGINEER CAN OBTAIN ELEVATIONS. EXPOSED PIPES SHALL BE PROTECTED THROUGHOUT ALL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES FROM DAMAGE OR DISPLACEMENT.

SPECIAL MANHOLE NO. 1
SEE DETAIL SHEET NO. 7

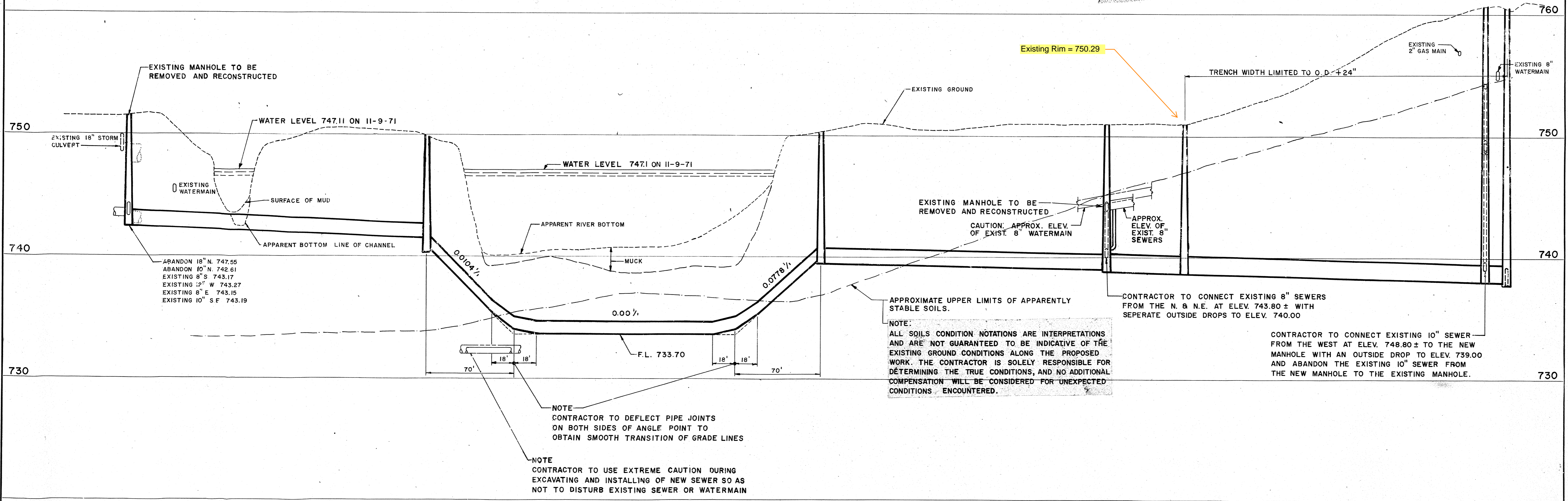
SPECIAL MANHOLE NO. 2, SEE DETAIL SHEET NO. 7

NOTE
CONTRACTOR TO USE EXTREME CAUTION DURING EXCAVATING AND INSTALLING OF NEW SEWER SO AS NOT TO DISTURB EXISTING SEWER OR WATERMAIN

NOTE
CONTRACTOR TO ABANDON EXISTING SEWERS AND BY PASS PUMP SUCTION LINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS

Both sanitary siphon lines are planned to be directionally drilled under the river.

S.T.P. SERVICE ROAD



NOTE:
ALL SOILS CONDITION NOTATIONS ARE INTERPRETATIONS AND ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO BE INDICATIVE OF THE EXISTING GROUND CONDITIONS ALONG THE PROPOSED WORK. THE CONTRACTOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE TRUE CONDITIONS, AND NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR UNEXPECTED CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED.

CONTRACTOR TO CONNECT EXISTING 8" SEWERS FROM THE N. & N.E. AT ELEV. 743.80 ± WITH SEPARATE OUTSIDE DROPS TO ELEV. 740.00

CONTRACTOR TO CONNECT EXISTING 10" SEWER FROM THE WEST AT ELEV. 748.80 ± TO THE NEW MANHOLE WITH AN OUTSIDE DROP TO ELEV. 739.00 AND ABANDON THE EXISTING 10" SEWER FROM THE NEW MANHOLE TO THE EXISTING MANHOLE.

NOTE
CONTRACTOR TO DEFLECT PIPE JOINTS ON BOTH SIDES OF ANGLE POINT TO OBTAIN SMOOTH TRANSITION OF GRADE LINES

NOTE
CONTRACTOR TO USE EXTREME CAUTION DURING EXCAVATING AND INSTALLING OF NEW SEWER SO AS NOT TO DISTURB EXISTING SEWER OR WATERMAIN

GROUND GRADE	CUT	DISTANCE	GROUND GRADE	CUT	DISTANCE
751.35	750.9	750.3	751.4	760.5	760.5
742.50	741.50 741.00	739.15 739.00	738.55	737.84 737.70	737.60 737.45
8.85	9.4 9.9	11.1 11.3	12.8	22.7 22.8	22.9 23.0
243'-NEW 15" @ 0.0041%			333'-1 NEW 10" & 1 NEW 12" D.I.P.		
SANITARY SEWER			STORM SEWER		
62'-NEW 18" @ 0.00197 1/2'			43'-NEW 21" @ 0.0023 1/2'		
245'-NEW 18" @ 0.00182 1/2'			250'-NEW 18" @ 0.00197 1/2'		

SANITARY INTERCEPTOR SEWERS
 RIVER CROSSING & S.T.P. SERVICE ROAD
 FROM MAIN ST. TO EAST RIVER DR.
 OMRO, WISCONSIN

PROJECT NO. 2030
 SHEET NO. 5 OF 7
 FILE NO. A-19878

DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC.
 CONSULTING ENGINEERS
 SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN

WISCONSIN PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER
 E-9132
 WAJDE
 SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN

DATE 11-16-71
 REVISIONS
 DRAWN BY D.K.O.
 CHECKED BY R.J. KLUIWEN
 SCALE HORZ. 1" = 40'
 VERT. 1" = 4'



CITY OF OMRO SPIRIT FUNDS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

FRAMEWORK-OVERARCHING REQUIREMENTS

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Omro, WI 54963

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The City of Omro's is in need of replacing the more than fifty year old water and sewer mains extending from north to south under the Fox River. It is expected that the river crossing replacement will cost between \$500,000 to \$700,000 dollars, resulting in an extensive utility billing increase to the residents of our low to moderate income community.

The city is currently applying for a simplified rate increase of 8% as we have not increased the water and sewer rates since 2013. That rate increase will take effect as of 04/01/2024. In addition, the city will be conducting a complete rate study in 2024 with the state, which will likely insitute a 30%+ increase just to cover the current operations and maintenance. The city has been operating the utility services at a loss in recent years.

The city also provides sewer treatment services outside of the city limits to the Algoma Sanitary District for the Town of Omro. This community shared service impacts not only the city residents, but the residents and property owners of the Town of Omro within the Algoma Sanitary District area. The expected life of the new river crossing water and sewer mains will service the aforementioned communities for another fifty years.

LEGACY: This project is multi-generational and will improve the quality of life within our county within the City of Omro and the communities served by the Algoma Sanitary District for at least another fifty years to come. Sanitary sewer and water main access is considered a base need for sanitary and overall health reasons for the entire community.

ONE-TIME FUNDS: Acquiring ARPA Spirit Funds through Winnebago County will mitigate the need for the city to borrow in order to complete this capital infrastructure project. This award would require minimal to no on-going future maintenance or financial costs of borrowing, which would require an increase the water and sewer utility services billing in order to pay for the infrastructure.

GEOGRAPHIC ASSORTMENT OF FUNDS: This project impacts the geographic area of the City of Omro and the Town of Omro within the Algoma Sanitary District.

DEBT AVOIDANCE: The award of Spirit Funds for the infrastructure project will allow the property taxes for water and sewer utility functions to avoid increases due to reduced debt levy in future budgets.

SUSTAINABILITY PLANNING: The use of these one-time ARPA Spirit Funds will prevent a fiscal cliff and increase the sustainability for the future, with increased efficiency, consolidation of services and elimination of future debt.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE: A new water and sewer main under the Fox River will support the water needs for fire suppression within the City of Omro.

WATER QUALITY: New water main will eliminate leaks into the Fox River of both clean water and sewerage resulting in increased water quality throughout the Fox River and its drainage basin within Winnebago County and additional Wisconsin counties.

QUALITY OF LIFE: The quality of life will be enhanced for those serviced by the City of Omro water and sewer utility services including enhancements to health and the basic needs for housing and maintaining our communities businesses and households.

OVERALL: The use of ARPA Spirit Funds for the river crossing water and sewer main project is an excellent example of a county-community collaboration project for the overall good of the people. The City of Omro appreciates your time and consideration for funding.

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
FROM: County Executive
RE: Discussion/Action: Resolution – Approving \$ _____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category to Expand the Building of NOVA Counseling Services Facilities

- *This resolution was discussed and voted on at the December 14, 2023, ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission to forward to the County Board for approval. This was presented to the County Board at their January 16, 2024, meeting. The County Board referred this back to the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission.*

General Description:

Nova Counseling's Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs for Women include Residential Treatment and Terra Program Transitional Living. Expansion of current facilities is expected to cost \$1,900,776.00

Action Requested:

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction:	ARPA Strategy & Outcomes	Meeting Date:	1/29/2024
Action taken:		Vote:	_____
County Board:	County Board	Meeting Date:	January 2024

Background

Nova Counseling Services is a State of Wisconsin-licensed provider of medically monitored residential treatment for people suffering from substance use disorders. The mission is to provide the highest quality care at the lowest possible cost to clients and their families. Treatment at Nova is for individuals who have lost control of their lives and need a safe, structured environment in which to learn about their disease. At Nova, therapy is provided to change the behaviors that accompany substance use. Compassionate, dedicated staff include many individuals who have been personally impacted by substance use disorders.

Nova provides treatment in a variety of ways, including Nova's 28-day residential program, 90-day transitional program (Terra Program), Family Program and outpatient aftercare.

For over four decades, Nova has been grounded in the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous® philosophy and believes it is the surest way to recover from the disease. Education about the illness, knowledge of

the 12 Steps, and caring feedback are the cornerstones for change.

With a total project cost of \$1,900,776.00 to expand existing facilities, Nova Counseling has secured 25% funds from local, state, and federal funding.

The NOVA funding resolution was sent back to the commission due to a perceived lack of transparency with the organization's 990 tax filing. The organization is willing to publicly post its tax filings and has been willing to submit audit and other financial disclosures required of all Spirit Fund grant awards. The organization's 990 form was reviewed before recommendation.

Policy Discussion

Under a waiver, Wisconsinites on Medicaid receive funding for some substance abuse treatment. There is no payment for room and board. Often, counties pay for these services for those who would not otherwise afford treatment.

The expansion of NOVA would greatly increase the county's ability to refer for treatment which would keep the individual in our community. Out of county placements can increase the cost.

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

- 1) Nova Counseling Services serves as the residential program provides treatment for 40-50 people at a time, suffering from substance use disorders with the fundamental tools of recovery.
- 2) Women are an underserved population in substance abuse treatment
- 3) \$500,000 would equal 26% of the total project cost to renovate and expand current facilities.

Attachments:

1. NOVA Resolution
2. NOVA project plans
3. NOVA Letter to Board
4. NOVA Application

3 **RESOLUTION: Approving \$500,000 from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified**
4 **Community Projects Category to Expand the Building of NOVA Counseling Services**
5 **Facilities**

7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

8 **WHEREAS**, Nova Counseling Services (hereinafter "Nova") is a State of Wisconsin-licensed provider of
9 medically monitored residential treatment for people suffering from substance use disorders; and

10 **WHEREAS**, treatment at Nova is for individuals who have lost control of their lives and need a safe,
11 structured environment in which to learn about their disease. Nova provides therapy to change the behaviors that
12 accompany substance use; and

13 **WHEREAS**, for over four decades, Nova has been grounded in the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous®
14 philosophy and believes it is the surest way to recover from the disease. Education about the illness, knowledge of
15 the 12 Steps, and caring feedback are the cornerstones for change; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Nova provides treatment in a variety of ways, including a 28-day residential program, 90-day
17 transitional program (Terra Program), Family Program and outpatient aftercare; and

18 **WHEREAS**, an expansion of Nova's existing facilities will better serve people suffering from substance use
19 disorder, including the STAR Program.

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that \$500,000 from
21 the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Project category be approved to expand the facilities of Nova
22 Counseling Services. This funding is contingent on Nova remaining committed to its mission to strengthen the lives of
23 individuals, families, and the community.

24 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that upon completion, Nova
25 Counseling Services will submit supporting documentation to the Winnebago County Finance Director outlining the
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32 misappropriation.

33 *Fiscal Note: This resolution will not amend the County Budget. \$500,000 will be authorized for use from the*
34 *Spirit Fund.*

35 Respectfully submitted by:

36 **ARPA STRATEGY AND OUTCOMES COMMISSION**

37 Commission Vote: **7-0, 2 absent**

39 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

41 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2024.

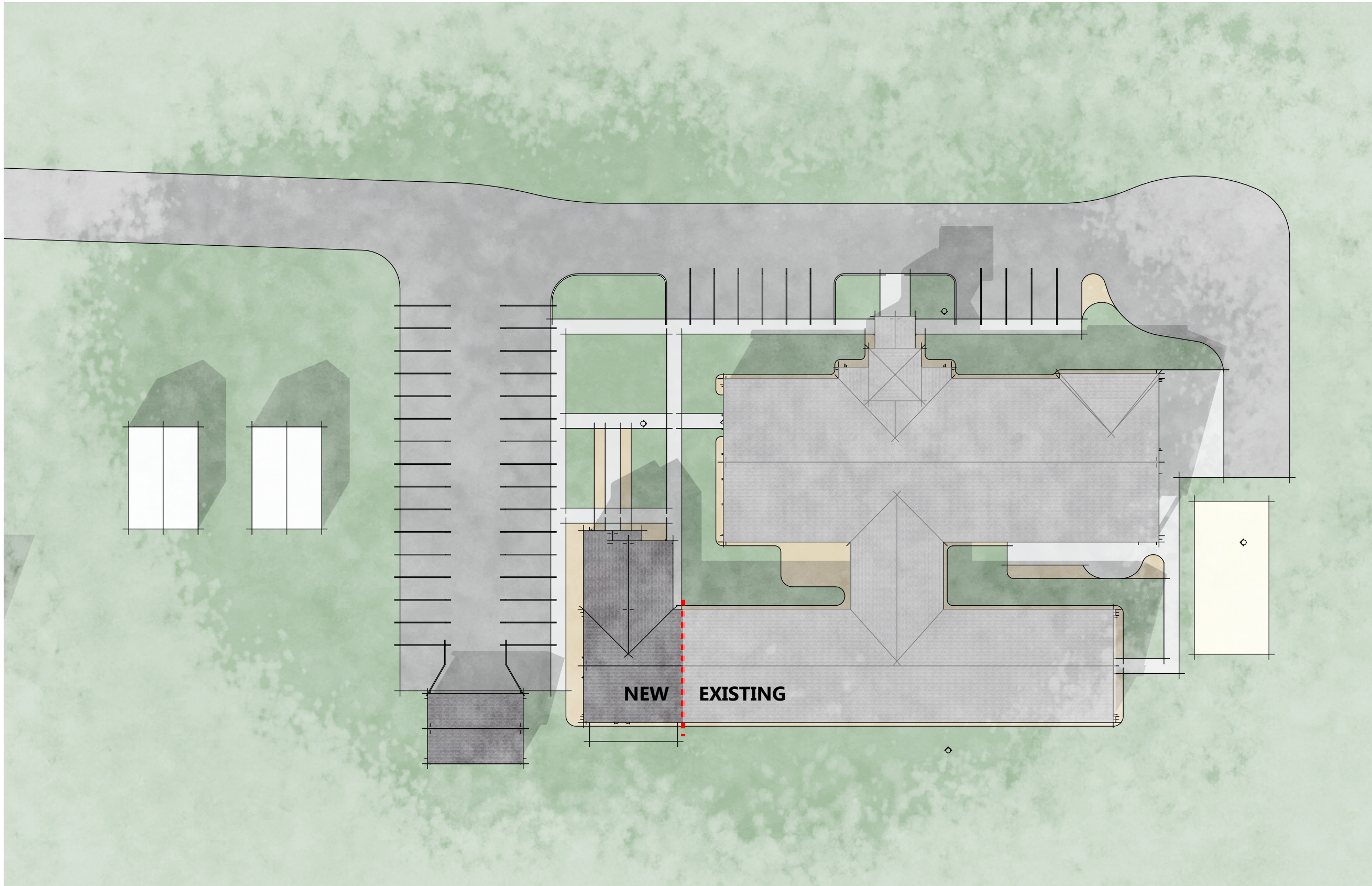
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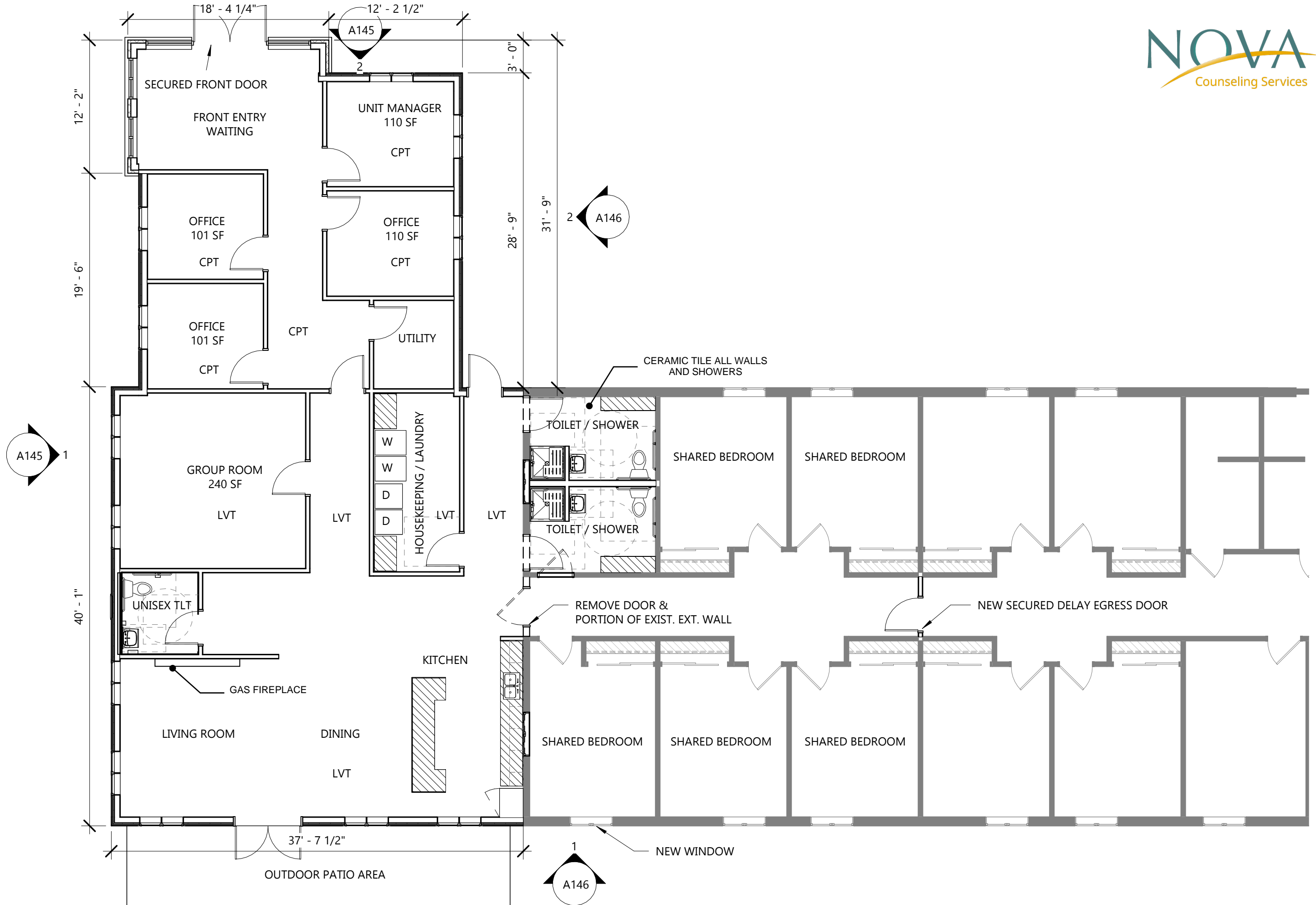
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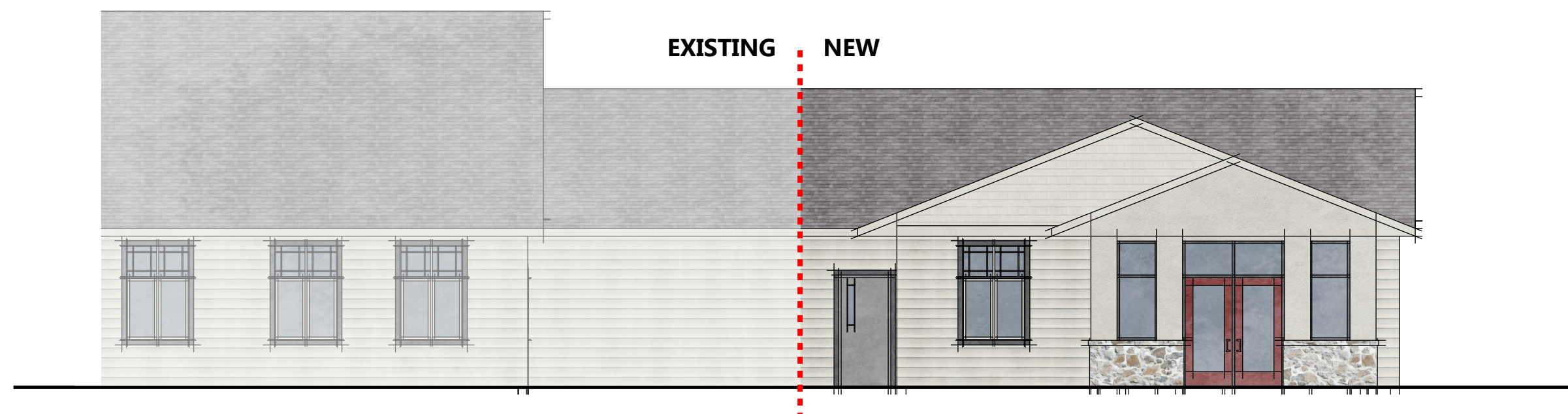


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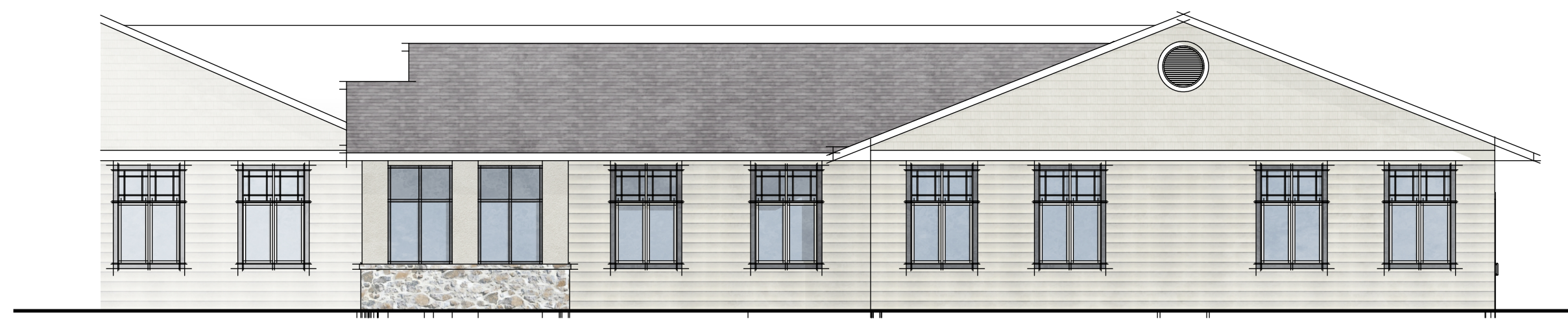
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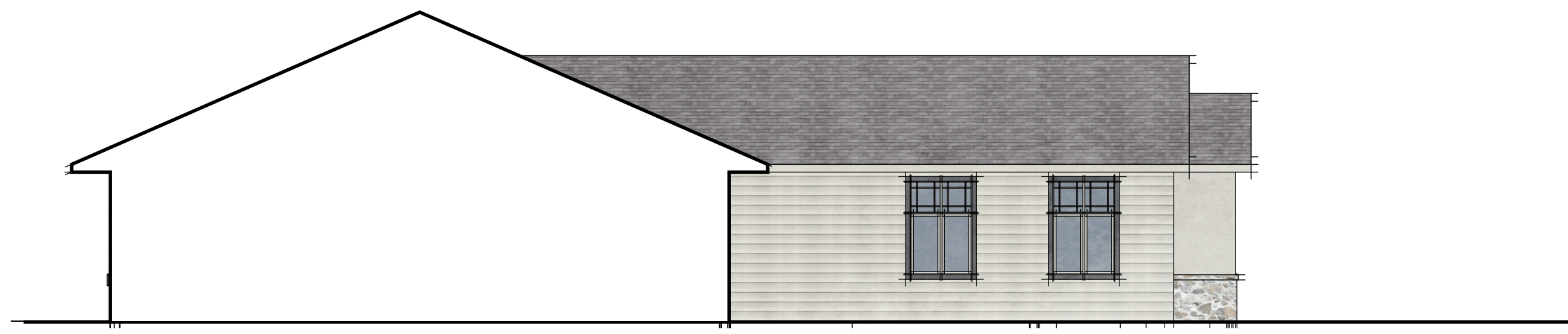
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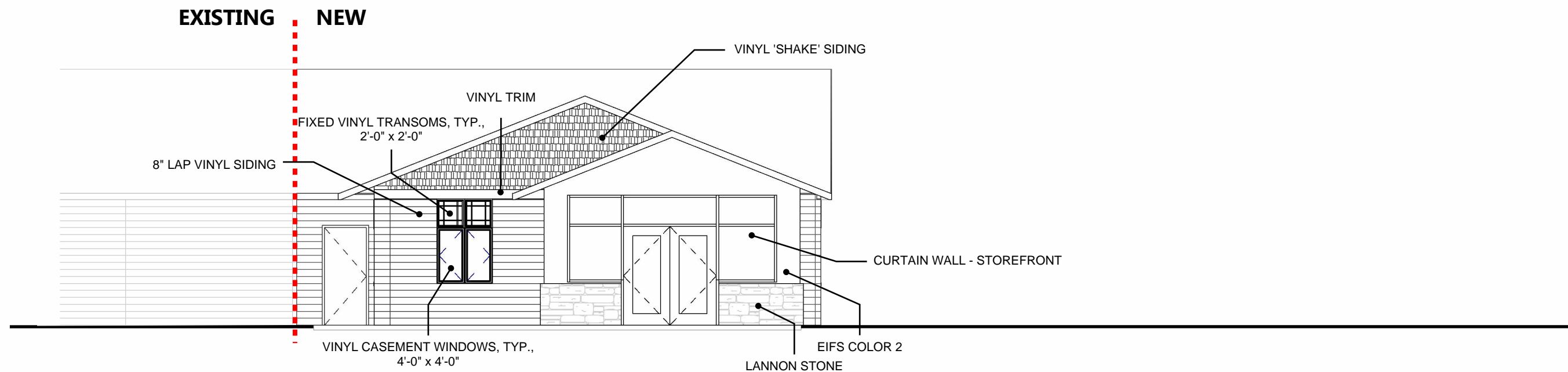
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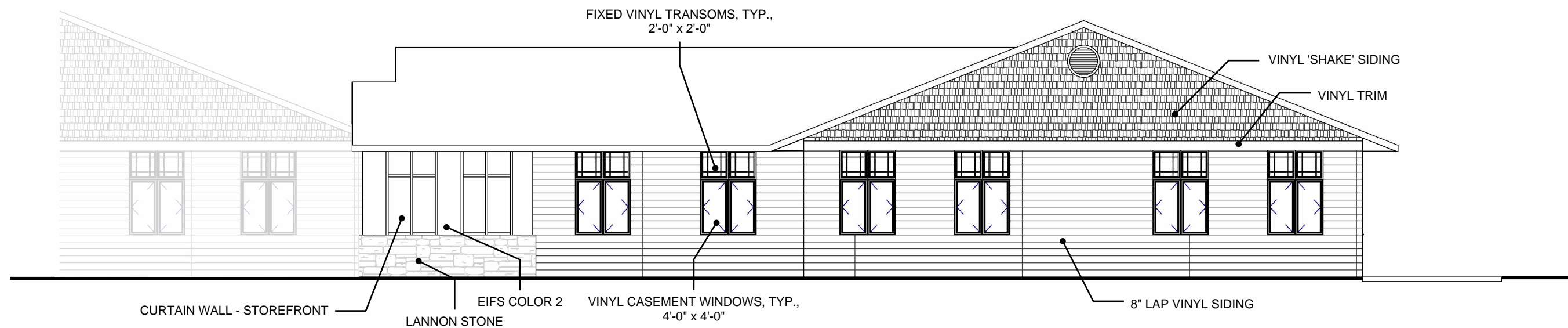


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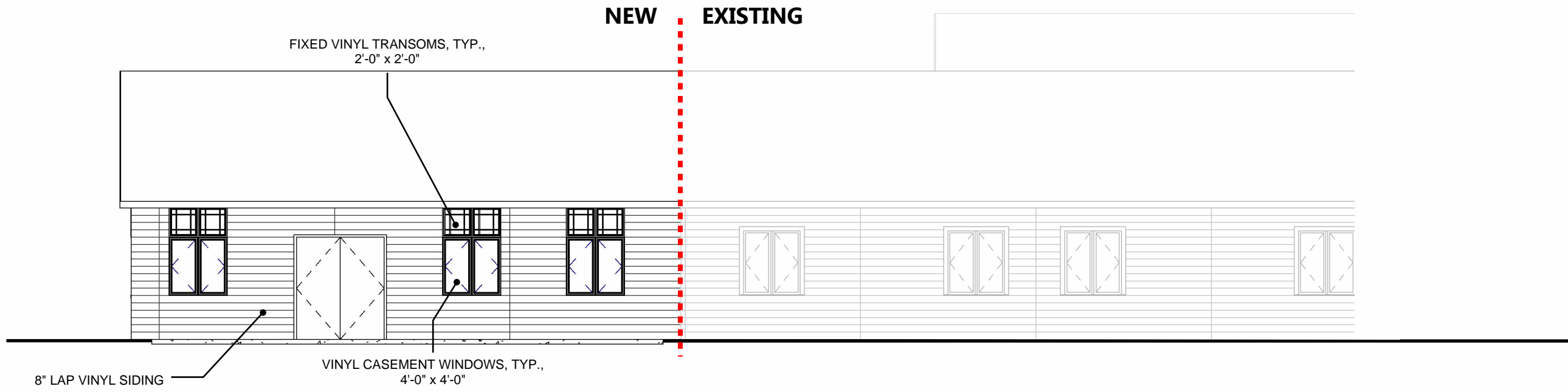
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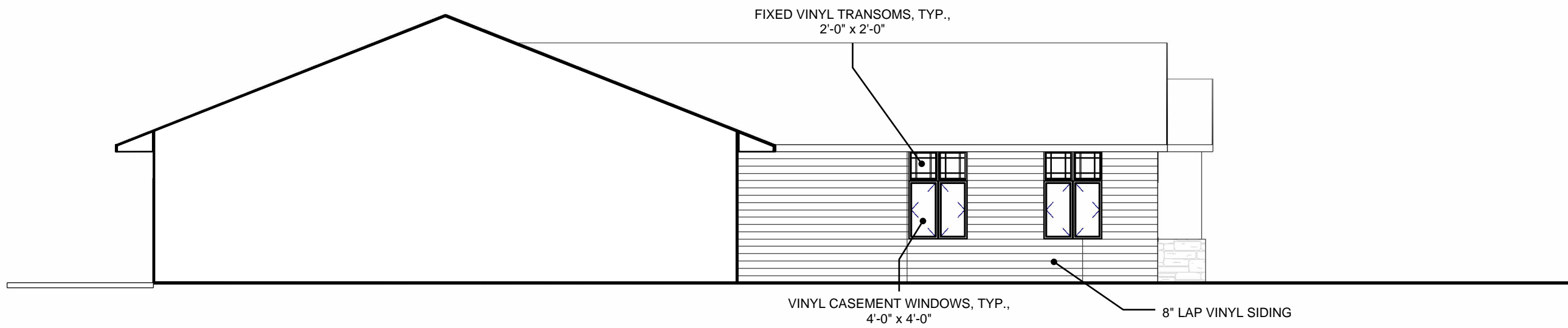
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January 17, 2024

Dear County Board of Supervisors:

Thank you for considering our application for ARPA funds and the opportunity to provide more information on the services Nova Counseling provides.

Nova Counseling Services has been contracted with Winnebago County to provide clinical substance use disorder services to our community residents for over forty years. Our facility is the sole provider in the county that is licensed and certified by the State of Wisconsin to provide residential (28-day program) and transitional (90-day program) care. Our counseling staff, many who hold master's level counseling degrees, are also licensed by the State to provide therapeutic services. Our services are clinical rather than peer driven.

Clients, who meet clinical criteria for our care, are often suffering from multiple consequences of their substance use, to include physical or medical ailments, legal, financial and/or family issues, vocational or educational impairment and possible homelessness. Individuals are referred to us by Winnebago County Dept. of Human Services, local hospital detoxification units, drug court, outpatient counselors, jail and family or peer interventions. While residing in our facility, clients participate in intense treatment consisting of individual and group counseling sessions, educational lectures, experiential exercises, family counseling, introduction to support meetings, case management and discharge planning services. Nova provides the clinical foundation for recovery before an individual moves on to sober living.

Our request for ARPA funds was to help us re-establish our residential and transitional care programs for female clients, which we had to relinquish in December 2022. Prior to December 2022, we treated both men and women in a comingled population. With help from ARPA funds, our goal is to offer a separate space for women on our campus that is dedicated to meeting their needs. We understand the demand for this level of treatment continues to be high in the area. We are very much interested in providing this service again and assisting local women with their recovery and reintegrating back into their community free of substance use.

We have been working with an architect for the last several months on an expansion design that would most efficiently use our existing space and mechanical systems. I have attached a copy of their work for your review.

Please let me know if there are additional questions. Thank you again for considering our application.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jody Willeford". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jody Willeford
Executive Director

Spirit Fund Opportunities Application

Demographics/Basic Information

Name of Organization: Nova Counseling Services, Inc.

Organization Website and social media: www.novaoshkosh.com
www.facebook.com/nova.counseling

Mailing Address: 3240 Jackson Street Oshkosh WI 54901

Application Point of Contact: Jody Willeford, jody@novaoshkosh.com, 920-231-0143 x306

CEO/Executive Director of Organization: Jody Willeford, jody@novaoshkosh.com,
920-231-0143 x306

About the Organization: Nova is a 50-bed facility for the treatment of substance abuse issues. The non-profit business has been operating in Oshkosh for over forty years and is currently serving an all male population. The facility offers a 28-day residential program and 90-day transitional program for those in need.

The mission of Nova Counseling Services is to provide the best possible treatment experience, at an affordable cost, for individuals suffering from substance abuse disorders.

Number of paid staff: 25

Describe the organization's ability to receive an award and comply with audit requirements: Nova has a long history of audit compliance with the local CliftonLarsonAllen office. Following through with requirements, if an award was received, would not be problematic.

Project Information

Name of the project: Terra Expansion Project

Location of the project: 3240 Jackson Street Oshkosh WI 54901

Estimated total cost of the project: \$2,000,000

Requested award from the Spirit Fund: \$500,000

How will the project improve the quality of life in the county for years to come?

Our goal is to help meet the growing need for quality, long term sober residency options for our clients and the community. Successful completion of our program helps to place a recovering person back into the community, with a significantly-improved chance for a new life, free of substances. The risk of jail time or overdose for this individual would also be greatly reduced.

Our expansion project would create a much needed separate living space for our transitional clients to focus on their recovery and learn necessary daily living skills, such as menu planning, budgeting, shopping, cooking and unit clean up. The additional space would also provide quite

space for our clients to work on recovery assignments and job applications, or meet with sponsors, recovery coaches and family. The expansion plan is cost efficient as it uses existing structure, systems and staff.

How many individuals does the project anticipate serving annually?

Overall: 40 – 50 clients

Within Winnebago County: 10 -30 clients

What areas of the county will the project serve? All of Winnebago County

What is the process for tracking individuals served?

Nova has long established systems for tracking client demographics and reporting. If information was needed post project, it would be readily available.

Will this project increase your operational budget? If so, what is the organization's plan to sustain and maintain the project? Yes, this project will increase Nova's overall budget. The program will be sustained through its ongoing billable costs through Medicaid, county contracts and self-pay funding for units provided.

Please attach the proposed scope of work and project timeline.

Project Funding

Please list funding sources (amount and funders) currently received or pledged as well as anticipated other sources of funding specific to the project.

Nova is meeting with a fundraising consultant to assist in this area.

Would Spirit Fund dollars be utilized as a match for other grants/awards/funding opportunities? If applying for other funds what is the timeline for a decision? It is the intention that Spirit Funds would be used as a matching proposal or to spark other funding opportunities. Nova plans to have project funding completed by March 2024.

Does the organization conduct a third-party audit? (Attach the most current audit report) A copy of our 2021 Audit is attached. Nova has a long history of audit compliance (30+ years), but was not required to complete an audit in 2022 due to having received under \$100,000 in county pass through funds. It is likely that Nova will be over the \$100,000 threshold in 2023 and will again be required to have an audit per county contracts.

Is the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? Yes

Does the proposed program involve collaboration with other organizations? No, the project does not require collaboration with another organization for its success.

Government Funding

Does the organization regularly receive other government funding (local, state, or federal)? (list government and the amount)

Nova typically signs fifteen to twenty county contracts per fiscal year. County contracts assist clients with funding for therapy or room and board costs on a per use base.

What percent of this project will be funded by government funds (local, county, state and federal)? While Nova does not intend to use their county funding arrangements to fund their project expansion, the funding will be a large part of the program’s sustainability going forward.

Has the organization received ARPA funds from any municipality, state or federal government? No, Nova has not received ARPA funds through any program to date.

Please list all funding received from Winnebago County in the last 5 years.

Winnebago County contract usage:

- 2022 = \$22,197.34
- 2021 = \$48,550.54
- 2020 = \$250,734.72
- 2019 = \$534,823.04
- 2018 = \$546,965.06

Applicant Agrees:

By submitting this application, the applicant agrees to the following:

- The individual submitting the application is authorized to apply for the funds on behalf of the organization.
- The project will be completed by December 31, 2026.
- The funds may not be spent on operational needs or as a pilot program.
- The organization may be required to conduct a third-party audit of the funds.
- The organization may be requested to attend a funding interview.
- The individual and key leaders of the organization have read the Spirit fund Framework Document and Funding Opportunities Information located on the county’s website.

Attachment Checklist:

- Application Document
- Project Budget
- Most Current Audit Report
- Proposed Scope of Work
- Timeline for the Project
- Organization’s 2023 Operating Budget

Thank you for considering our project!



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Project No. 1-1137-004
NOVA - Terra Addition

OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Division 1 - General Conditions / OH&P	\$240,000
Project Management / supervision	
Overhead and profit	
Insurance, bonds	
Construction permits and fees	
Temporary utilities and construction facilities	
Dumpsters	
Construction equipment / scaffolding / material handling	
Survey and layout	
Construction Testing	
Project cleaning	
Division 2 - Existing Conditions	\$10,000
Selective Building Demolition	
Division 3 - Concrete	\$92,500
Cast-in-place concrete foundations	
Cast-in-place slab-on-grade	
Division 5 - Metals	\$4,000
Miscellaneous Steel	
Pipe Bollards	
Division 6 - Wood and Plastics	\$240,000
Rough Carpentry	
Roof and Wall Sheathing	
Pre-engineered wood trusses	
Cabinets and countertops	
Fiberglass wall panels at laundry / mop basins	
Division 7 - Thermal and Moisture Protection	\$120,000
Building insulation	
LP prefinished 'smart side' or equal 8" lap siding and trim	
Dimensional asphalt shingle roofing	
Sheet metal flashings, trim and soffits	
Sealants	
Division 8 - Openings	\$86,000
HM doors and frames	
Prefinished wood interior doors	



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NOVA - Terra Addition

OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS

<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Aluminum entrance doors Fiberglass insulated windows Door hardware	
Division 9 - Finishes	\$152,800
Gypsum board and veneer plaster Ceramic floor tile at restrooms (\$4/sf allowance) Ceramic wall tile wainscot at restrooms (\$4/sf allowance) Suspended acoustical panel ceiling system LVT / Vinyl plank flooring (\$4/sf allowance) Commercial sheet vinyl flooring (\$24/yd allowance) Vinyl wallbase Carpet tile at offices and meeting room (\$25/yd allowance) Interior painting Exterior painting	
Division 10 - Specialties	\$4,000
Toilet room accessories (soap dispenser by owner) Toilet room signage Fire extinguishers and cabinets Wall corner guards at high traffic areas Exterior accessible parking signage	
Division 21 - Fire Protection	\$48,000
Extend existing NFPA 13 wet / dry fire sprinkler system	
Division 22 - Plumbing	\$130,000
Kohler / Mansfield plumbing fixtures Mop basin and floor drains 100-gallon heated water storage tank w/ 100-gallon water heater Kitchen 2-compartment prep sink Commercial garbage disposals Extend existing cold water piping / new hot water piping New sanitary piping and grease trap Exterior hose bibbs	
Division 23 - Heating, Ventilating and Air-Conditioning	\$125,000
15 Ton RTU with stand, economizer, smoke detector and thermostat with insulated ductwork on outside up into wall below soffit 300 cfm ERV with sidewall hoods	



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<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost</u>
1 Ton ductless split heat pump Restroom exhaust fans Through-wall package terminal units at sleeping units / living / dining areas Condensate hood, duct and fan at kitchen Grilles, diffusers and registers Ductwork - insulated as required	
Division 26 - Electrical	\$210,000
New 400 Amp 120/208V 3-phase electrical distribution panel Duplex receptacles and switches including GFI Dedicated receptacle for copier Cat-5 data cabling and outlets - final hookups by owner vendor Occupancy sensors for lighting where required 24x24 LED lay-in lights in suspended acoustical ceiling (dimmable) LED 'wafer' recessed lights (dimmable) LED emergency egress lighting - interior and over exterior doors LED exit signs Exterior LED soffit and wall pack lighting Exterior LED 20' parking light poles on concrete bases	
Division 31 - Earth Moving	\$48,800
Site Clearing and Demolition Excavation and Fill	
Division 32 - Exterior Improvements	\$75,000
Asphalt Paving and striping Concrete Walks and Curbs Landscaping as required by City of Oshkosh	
Division 33 - Site Utilities	\$52,500
Extend sanitary sewer to new addition New Storm piping including downspouts and parking lot catch basins Storm Water management structure(s)	
Construction Subtotal	\$1,638,600
Design Contingency 5%	\$81,930
Construction Contingency 5%	\$81,930
A/E Design Fees 4% (MEP by Design/Build)	\$65,544
A/E Construction Administration 2% (including building plan review fees)	\$32,772



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OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Description

Cost

Total Opinion of Probable Construction Costs

\$1,900,776

3,885 GSF Addition

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
 FROM: County Executive
 RE: Discussion/Action: Approving \$_____ from the Spirit Fund's Government Identified Community Projects Category for:

General Description:

Summary of the status of funding for the Government Identified Community Projects Category.

Action Requested:

Request to leave at least \$1.5 million in the category for Veterans and other housing initiatives.

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction: _____ Meeting Date: _____
 Action taken: _____ Vote: _____
 County Board: _____ Meeting Date: _____

Background

Based on what has already passed the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission, there is about \$2.6 million in the Government Identified Community Projects Category. Not including the airboats, there are requests on the agenda for over \$2.3 million.

Below are the categories the commission voted to spend the allocations within. Approving all items on the agenda will result in about \$300,000 for Veterans housing and other economic development projects.

Veterans Housing	<i>Transitional housing for Veterans</i>	\$ 1,000,000
Health and Human Services	<i>Projects to support the economic and basic needs of our citizens, especially through community partnerships</i>	\$ 2,500,000
Economic Development & Housing Initiatives	<i>Allocation to improve and increase housing stock in Winnebago County and to encourage economic development</i>	\$ 6,120,654

Policy Discussion

Attachments:

1. Framework of the Spirit Fund Spending 4.14.23
2. Project Status



Framework of the Spirit Fund Spending

Prepared by the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission

Reviewed at the March 9, 2023, meeting

Approved unanimously at the April 14, 2023, meeting

Overarching Requirements

Legacy: *projects are to be ones which can be looked at as multi-generational or used to improve the quality of life within our county for years to come*

One-time-funds: *projects which require on-going or future costs should be mitigated as much as possible. To achieve this requirement, projects should generally be capital in nature, revolving funds, or endowments.*

Geographic Assortment of Funds: *projects should be spread out as much as possible to impact different geographic areas of the county*

Enhancing Funding Opportunities: *Frequently, other funding opportunities require matching funds. Using Spirit Fund dollars as local match should be encouraged to allow the dollars to go further.*

Project Types to Base Decisions

Debt Avoidance: *When a local government issues debt, typically, it is done so under the debt levy; therefore, debt raises property taxes. As much as possible, projects should avoid Winnebago County's issuance of debt to avoid future tax increases.*

Sustainability Planning: *As these are one-time funds, planning for the future and preparing for potential fiscal cliffs is essential. Projects of this type should look to efficiency, consolidation, and reform.*

Emergency Response: *The original ARPA legislation called for improving resiliency in response to emergencies. Improvements to our emergency response system are essential to this goal.*

Water Quality & Sustainability: *Winnebago County is covered by 25% water and has about 10% of the state's inland surface water.*

Quality of Life: *Parallel with water, Winnebago County's people are an important resource. Projects which improve our quality of life including enhancements to tourism, health, and human services are appropriate. The wellbeing of our citizens ensures we can recruit and maintain our workforce. Projects should especially consider that basic needs are met.*

Categories to Divide the Funds

Percentages could be changed by the commission as projects and priorities are more clearly defined.

County Government Projects (~50% of funds)

These projects are proposed by the County Executive and his department head team. The projects are also led and complete by the county. Projects should be balanced between already planned and projects which would not otherwise be completed without the infusion of investment.

Government Identified Community Projects (~50% of funds)

These are projects which are identified by the commission and are intended to be a collaboration between county departments and community. Projects are administered by county departments and could be granted to sub-recipients or county projects.

Changes to this document may be made from time-to-time by a majority vote of the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission.

Government Identified Community Projects

Initial Allocation		Amount Approved	Remaining unallocated:	
\$ 16,695,000		\$ 14,047,257.00	\$ 2,647,743.00	
Resolution #	Project Name	Description	Approved by Commission	County Board Approved Allocation
202-032023	Land & Water Conservation	Efforts to improve soil and water health in the county	\$ 3,030,300	\$ 3,030,300
170-012023	Expo Center Resiliency	Projects to improve Sunnyview's ability to be used in an emergency response	\$ 925,000	\$ 925,000
281-112023	Fire Chief Association	Radios for Fire Chiefs Association	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 2,100,000
282-112023	Christine Ann Center	Christine Ann Center purchase of Beach Building	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
283-112023	St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	St Vincent de Paul Neenah / Menasha expansion	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
203-032023	Funding to Local Governments	Funding to ensure a Spirit Fund project in every corner of the county Municipal Allocations (18 of 21 municipalities have received as of 1/29/24)	\$ 3,045,000	\$ 3,045,000
275-102023	Omro Community Center	Omro Community Center Relocated Building Remodel	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
On Hold	20th St YMCA	YMCA Childcare Expansion	\$ 500,000	
311-012024	Boys Girls Club Oshkosh	B&G Club Oshkosh Community Center Expansion	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
312-012024	Greater Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity	Greater Fox Cities Area Habitat for Humanity to help build or rehab 10 homes	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
ARPA 1/31/2024	NOVA Counseling	NOVA expansion of Nova's existing facilities	\$ -	
314-012024	Solutions Recovery	Solutions Recovery ADA entrance and remodel	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Feb County Board	V of Winneconne	Park Upgrades	\$ 324,500	
Feb County Board	Neenah Menasha Fire Dept	Fire Training Facility	\$ 500,000	
Feb County Board	C of Neenah Traffic Barriers	Purchase Mobile Traffic Barriers for the City of Neenah	\$ 300,000	
ARPA 1/31/2024	C of Omro Water & Sewer	Update water and sewer lines under the Fox River in the City of Omro.	\$ -	
Feb County Board	T of Algoma Roundabout	2-lane roundabout is to be constructed in 2027 in the Town of Algoma	\$ 387,500	
Feb County Board	C of Menasha Traffic Barriers	Purchase mobile traffic barriers for the City of Menasha	\$ 184,957	

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: January 31, 2024
FROM: County Executive
RE: People of Progression Inc. (Request \$50,000)

General Description:

People of Progression Inc will use the space to intentionally build support around marginalized African Americans by focusing on a holistic approach to healing, skill-building, and targeting the root causes of systemic oppression, and actively empowering our families & the next generation to rebuild healthy communities together.

Action Requested:

Procedural Steps:

Committee of Jurisdiction:	ARPA	Meeting Date:	01/31/2024
Action taken:	_____	Vote:	_____
County Board:	_____	Meeting Date:	_____

Background

People of Progression's intended impact for this location is for Black and African American families to have a space of belonging and service delivery to have gaps filled in mental healthcare and empower members to heal and live a life free from violence. Individuals and families served by People of Progression have access to services that help prevent the use of substances, and survivors have access to emotional support and advocacy during a crisis. Youth and adults involved in People of Progression's programming have advanced knowledge of the effects of generational trauma, and how to break those patterns through emotional wellness workshops. The community is socially connected to culturally fluent events and education opportunities that promote mental wellness and family bonding, creating an inclusive area for all.

Organizations throughout Winnebago County will also have access to culturally focused experts with lived experience in navigating the trauma the target community faces and provided culturally specific training of the unique ways to improve service delivery. Survivors of violence and clients needing assistance in meeting their basic needs will have increased support in co-advocacy and warm handoffs to community resources that build an ecosystem of trust. The key focus areas of People of Progression are Holistic Health Services, Advocacy, and Youth Prevention to address and illuminate the need for mental health and connection to social supports.

Policy Discussion

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

- 1) People of Progression Inc's mission and services enhance work being done in Human Services, Public Health, Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Courts, UW Extension, and Veteran's Services.
- 2) \$50,000 from the Spirit Fund would combine with \$10,000 in private donations to complete the renovation.

Pursuant to the Spirit Fund Project Opportunities passed by the commission at the May 3, 2023, meeting, projects were to be no more than 50% government funding. People of Progression is requesting \$50,000 for a \$60,000 project or 83%.

Attachments:

1. Spirit Fund Project Funding Opportunities
2. People of Progression Application



Spirit Fund Project Funding Opportunities

Background: In March of 2023, the Winnebago County Board applied surplus dollars to a special revenue fund titled the Spirit Fund to invest in legacy projects for the county government and certain identified community projects. The fund totals just over \$33 million and is split roughly in half for county government projects and identified community projects. Spending proposals are sent to the county board after deliberation of the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission. The commission is putting out this funding opportunities request.

This document was approved at the commission's May 3, 2023, meeting as means to solicit community projects for the commission to identify for the county board to fund.

Minimum and Maximum Awards: For planning purposes, a minimum award is \$50,000 with a maximum award of \$500,000. The commission upon review may choose to increase the maximum awards. Proposals seeking more than \$500,000 should include a section on why more funding is needed.

Match Dollars: Matching funds are required. No award may exceed 50% of the total project cost. Other government funds are eligible for match. All government funds should not exceed 75% of the total project unless the proposal is for a government project. Private and foundation matching dollars are preferred.

One-time funds: The commission is seeking ideas to fund legacy, one-time funds. At this time, pilot programs which require on-going or future costs will not be considered. Requests for operational dollars will also not be considered.

Framework of Spirit Fund Spending: All proposals should clearly articulate how the project complies with as many outcomes identified in the commission approved Framework of Spirit Fund Spending document.

Broad Categories and Funding Available: At this time, it is unknown how much total funding is available. The amounts included in the Spirit Fund planning document are below and are a best guess of allocation. In addition to the framework document, proposals should fit into three broad categories.

Health and Human Services - \$2,500,000

Economic Development and Housing Initiatives - \$6,120,624

Veterans Transitional Housing - \$1,000,000

Project Completion: It is expected that all projects which receive awards are completed by December of 2026.

Other County Funding: All proposals must identify any county funding, including pass through grants, received in the past ten years, and requested in 2023 and 2024 from all departments.

Other Funding Opportunities: Proposals which identify other funding or grant opportunities are encouraged even if the organization submitting is not requesting the funds. Ideas for using Spirit Fund dollars as a required match in other grant and funding opportunities are especially encouraged.

Single-Audit: All organizations receiving money may be required to submit a single-audit or other audit documents. Previous years' audits may be requested prior to awarding of Spirit Funds.

Length of Application: All proposals are limited to a word count of 2000.

Attachments: There is no limit to attachments; however, attachments may not be scored.

Submission and questions: All proposals and questions should be submitted to spirit@winnebagocountywi.gov by July 15, 2023. Question answers will be posted to the Winnebago County website.

Review and Scoring: All proposals will be reviewed and scored by a citizen member of the ARPA Strategy and Outcomes Commission in July with staff support from the Office of the County Executive. The citizen member will be determined by a majority vote of the commission. With consent of the commission co-chairs, the citizen member may choose up-to three additional citizen reviewers. Each reviewer will represent one of the following areas: Oshkosh, Neenah/Menasha, and the rural areas. No additional reviewer may have a conflict of interest with any of the applications.

The commission appointed Beth Oswald as the citizen member to lead scoring.

Ideas for County Government Projects: This announcement of funding opportunities is intended for community projects. Ideas for County Government Projects could be submitted using the same email address and 2000-word limit.

Advertising of this document: This document will be posted on the front page of the county website, released with a press release to the media, emailed to all current partners of the county, emailed to all local governments in the county, and emailed to the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, United Ways covering the county & chambers of commerce covering the county to encourage those entities to email to potential applications.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: People of Progression Inc
Assigned Application Number: 65

Organization: People of Progression Inc

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Kristen Gondek

Name of person completing survey: Kristen Gondek

Email: Kristengondek@peopleofprogression.org

Phone: 9202882842

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): The mission of People of Progression calls for the collective liberation of African Americans to reach their full potential and live safely in their communities.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Beginning in 2024

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: People of Progression is seeking a \$50,000 grant award to renovate and move into a building location on 333 1st Street, Menasha, WI 54942.

The vision of People of Progression is to intentionally build support around marginalized African Americans. By focusing on a holistic approach to healing, skill-building, and targeting the root causes of systemic oppression, we actively empower our families served

& next generation to rebuild healthy communities together. P.O.P. is seeking funding to create healing spaces in Winnebago Cty for African American youth, individuals, and families to organize to learn about topics such as but not limited to emotional well-being, financial literacy, family strengthening, as well as resources that increase access to basic needs assistance and co-advocacy at partnering anti-violence organizations.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Internal

Where is the primary location of the project? Menasha & Oshkosh

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 1,500

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve?

Menasha, Oshkosh/Oshkosh Area School District, Menasha School District

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: Our intended impact for this location is for Black and African American families to have a space of belonging and service delivery to

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have gaps filled in their mental health that empower them to heal and live a life free from violence. Black and African American individuals and families have access to services that help prevent the use of substances, and survivors have access to emotional support and advocacy during a crisis. Youth and adults have advanced knowledge of the effects of generational trauma, and how to break those patterns through emotional wellness workshops. Our community is socially connected to culturally fluent events and education opportunities that promote mental wellness and family bonding, creating an inclusive area for all. Mainstream organizations have access to culturally focused experts with lived experience in navigating the trauma the target community faces and provided culturally specific training of the unique ways sexual and domestic violence present themselves differently to improve service delivery. Survivors of violence and clients needing assistance in meeting their basic needs have increased support in co-advocacy and warm handoffs to community resources that build an ecosystem of trust. Our key focus areas in Holistic Health Services, Advocacy, and Youth Prevention ultimately address and illuminate the need for mental health and connection to social support.

In what stage is the project? Ready to implement

What is the estimated completion date? 1/1/2024

Estimated cost of the entire project: 60,000

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: 50,000

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Private Donor

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? No

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Wisconsin Department of Health Services

Wisconsin Humanities

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? 0

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: NA

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Kristen Gondek, Executive Director

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? No

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Assigned Application Number: 65

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 65

Request from: People of Progression Inc

Type of project: Property acquisition

General Scope of Project: renovate and move into a building location on 333 1st Street, Menasha,

Project Lead: Internal

Primary location: Menasha & Oshkosh

of individuals served by project: 1,500

Areas served: Menasha, Oshkosh/Oshkosh Area School District, Menasha School District

Lasting impact: Our intended impact for this location is for Black and African American families to have a space of belonging and service delivery to have gaps filled in their mental health that empower them to heal and live a life free from violence. Black and African American individuals and families have access to services that help prevent the use of substances, and survivors have access to emotional support and advocacy during a crisis. Youth and adults have advanced knowledge of the effects of generational trauma, and how to break those patterns through emotional wellness workshops. Our community is socially connected to culturally fluent events and education opportunities that promote mental wellness and family bonding, creating an inclusive area for all. Mainstream organizations have access to culturally focused experts with lived experience in navigating the trauma the target community faces and provided culturally specific training of the unique ways sexual and domestic violence present themselves differently to improve service delivery. Survivors of violence and clients needing assistance in meeting their basic needs have increased support in co-advocacy and warm handoffs to community resources that build an ecosystem of trust. Our key focus areas in Holistic Health Services, Advocacy, and Youth Prevention ultimately address and illuminate the need for mental health and connection to social support.

Completion Date: 1/1/2024

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: 60,000

Requested Amount: 50,000

Other Funding: Private Donor

Is full Amt Required: No

Other Govt. Funding: Wisconsin Department of Health Services

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: People of Progression Inc
Assigned Application Number: 65

Wisconsin Humanities

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

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Other ARPA Funds:

NA

Ongoing Maint:

Kristen Gondek, Executive Director

Increase to Operational budget:

No

Legacy:

yes

One-time funding:

yes

Geographic service area:

Winn. Co.

Other funding:

Private Donor

Notes:

90% from Spirit

GOVT: Debt Avoidance:

N/A

Sustainability focused:

N/A

ER Response:

N/A

Water Quality:

N/A

Quality of Life:

N/A

Funding to assist private investor:

N/A

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: NEW Mental Health Connection
Assigned Application Number: 5

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 5

Request from: NEW Mental Health Connection

Type of project: Updates to technology and website content updates?

General Scope of Project: New, innovative features to Service Directory

Project Lead: Organization

Primary location: N/A

of individuals served by project: We anticipate over 100,000 visits to the website in 2023.

Areas served: City of Oshkosh and Winnebago County are our biggest users (72%) in 2023, as identified by IP address.

Lasting impact: Locally, we have been able to see the increase in community need reflected in the usage of our web-based, mental health and substance use service navigation tool, called www.MyConnectionNEW.org. This is not a new service in the community, but its usage and need have skyrocketed during and in the wake of the pandemic. There are an average of 48 visits per day to the Men’s Self-Care Toolkit, and over 560 people have watched stories related to mental health issues among men. The crisis services page was accessed over 1500 times in 2020, and that has been steadily increasing to double that in 2023.

Completion Date: N/A

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$180,000.00

Requested Amount: 90,000

Other Funding: 2023 – This project is currently jointly funded by ARPA funding through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, two separate project grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and ThedaCare Communi

Is full Amt Required: We will be unable to make the quality, content and user improvements without this funding. We will be able to fund the maintenance fee and keep the website functioning as is.

Other Govt. Funding: Only ARPA - City of Appleton
We received ARPA funds to support website quality improvement efforts and the development of the We Heart You App from Outagamie County in 2021 and City of Appleton in 2022.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding: none other than City of Appleton ARPA funding.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: NEW Mental Health Connection
Assigned Application Number: 5

Winnebago County Health Department serves as a passthrough for grant funding on behalf of the NEW Mental Health Connection, but we have never received funding from Winnebago County.

Other ARPA Funds: Our first government funding in our history was COVID Recovery Funds (ARPA) accessed through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County's ARPA funding processes in the last two years.

Ongoing Maint: N/A
Increase to Operational budget: No
Legacy: Long-term impact

One-time funding: Undetermined?
Some funds are for maintenance fees-does this qualify?

Geographic service area: Winn. Co.

Other funding: 2023 – This project is currently jointly funded by ARPA funding through the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, two separate project grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and ThedaCare Communi

Notes: Need clarification: what is the specific project within the organization that NEW MH is requesting to fund with Spirit funds? Is this to cover the costs of identified updates that are needed for a specific purpose/to add a specific function that is missin

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: NEW Mental Health Connection request for \$90,000 in Spirit Funds to implement innovative features in the Service Directory and update technology and website content.

General Description:

NEW Mental Health Connection resources including Men's Self-Care Toolkit and crisis services pages have seen an increase in community need reflected in the usage of our web-based, mental health and substance use service navigation tool, called www.MyConnectionNEW.org.

Action Requested:

NEW Mental Health Connection request for \$90,000 in Spirit Funds to update to technology and website content updates that provide web-based, mental health and substance use services.

Procedural Steps:

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

Background:

Currently jointly funded by ARPA money from the City of Appleton and Outagamie County, as well as grants through the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin and ThedaCare Community funds, NEW Mental Health Connection has seen usage and need skyrocket during and in the wake of the pandemic. With an average of 48 visits per day to the Men's Self-Care Toolkit, over 560 people have watched stories related to mental health issues among men in the previous reporting period. The Crisis Services page was accessed over 1500 times in 2020, and that has been steadily increasing to double that in 2023. The widely used, and successful development of the We Heart You App, resource for mobile phones, used ARPA funds from the City of Appleton and Outagamie County

Policy Discussion:

This money would be used for costs of creating a better website.

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

- 1) NEW Mental Health Connection provides online and easily accessible resources that enhance and work to direct community members to county services including Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.
- 2) \$90,000 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to immediate resources and links to county programs

Agenda Item Report



Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc request for \$300,000 in Spirit Funds to promote cross-sector collaboration and build an efficient, effective, and equitable family support system, using the nationally recognized evidence-based model of Help Me Grow within Winnebago County.

General Description:

First 5 Fox Valley (F5FV) will promote cross-sector collaboration and build an efficient, effective, and equitable family support system, using the nationally recognized evidence-based model of Help Me Grow within Winnebago County.

Action Requested:

First 5 Fox Valley request for \$300,000 in Spirit Funds to contract a fulltime- or several PT Family Resource Navigator positions that link families to services, support them through transitions over time, and deepen connections with partner agencies

Procedural Steps:

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

Background:

First 5 Fox Valley (F5FV) is an organization that is leveraging collective impact work and strategic partnerships to cultivate communities that empowers every family to build a solid foundation for children in their first five years. The innovative approach of the Help Me Grow community partnership model used by First 5 Fox Valley, will mitigate the impact of adversity, and promote protective factors among families and their young children as a primary prevention strategy. Outreach and in-service training on best practices and early intervention will take place across health care, early care and education, schools, and social service agencies linking resources to support families with a “warm handoff” provided by the HMG Family Resource Navigator position. This navigator position will work within Winnebago County- focused on less served towns, villages and populations and use of the ASQ developmental screening tools.

This grant will provide the means to engage more deeply and authentically with communities, developing relationships with local organizations that work with families who have children ages 0-5 and who don't often access traditional community resources or child developmental screenings. As F5FV continues to expand free developmental screening opportunities, it is hopeful that Protective Factors will be strengthened, and resiliency built to buffer adverse conditions they might face. Our hope to find children where they are and strengthen our commitment to equitable access to services for all families free and open to all.

Policy Discussion:

This request could be considered operational/program spending. It also exceeds the 50% match request from the ARPA Commission.

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

- 1) First 5 Fox Valley will contract a fulltime- or several PT Family Resource Navigator positions enhance services provided by Public Health, Human Services, Sheriff's Office, and others.
- 2) \$300,000 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to nationally recognized evidence-based model of Help Me Grow within Winnebago County.

Attachments:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

Organization: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Barb Tengesdal

Name of person completing survey: Barb Tengesdal

Email: Director@firstfivefoxvalley.org

Phone: 9204225437

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): Cultivate a community that empowers and supports every family to build a solid foundation for children in their first five years.

Defining the Mission statement: First 5 Fox Valley (F5FV) is an organization that is leveraging collective impact work and strategic partnerships to cultivate communities that empowers every family to build a solid foundation for children in their first five years.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: This grant application will promote cross-sector collaboration and build an efficient, effective, and equitable family support system, using the nationally recognized evidence-based model of Help Me Grow within Winnebago County. First 5 Fox Valley will contract a fulltime- or several PT Family Resource Navigator positions that will benefit families by listening to them, linking them to services, support them through transitions over time, and deepening connections with partner agencies. The innovative approach of the Help Me Grow community partnership model used by First 5 Fox Valley, will mitigate the impact of adversity and promote protective factors among families and their young children as a primary prevention strategy. Outreach and in-service training on best practices and early intervention will take place across health care, early care and education, schools, and social service agencies linking resources to support families with a "warm handoff" provided by the HMG Family Resource Navigator position. This navigator position will work within Winnebago County- focused on less served towns, villages and populations and use of the ASQ developmental screening tools.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Winnebago County
Public Health Department

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

Where is the primary location of the project? Navigators are embedded within current partnering agencies. Conversations are currently underway with Family Services- Parenting Connection, UW-Oshkosh Head Start, Boys and Girls Club new hub for shared services, and others

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? currently 1366 children and 1263 families. We will expand that number by 10% each of the 3 years of funding.

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve?

Winnebago County: Bute Des Morts, Eureka, Larsen, Menasha, Neenah, Omro, Oshkosh, Pickett, Waukau, Winnebago, Winneconne, zipcodes and school districts within county jurisdiction.

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: This grant will provide the means to engage more deeply and authentically with communities, developing relationships with local organizations that work with families who have children ages 0-5 and who don't often access traditional community resources or child developmental screenings. As F5FV continues to expand free developmental screening opportunities, it is hopeful that Protective Factors will be strengthened and resiliency built to buffer adverse conditions they might face. Our hope to find children where they are and strengthen our commitment to equitable access to services for all families free and open to all.

In what stage is the project? In the process of implementing

What is the estimated completion date? December 30th 2026

Estimated cost of the entire project: 450000

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: 300000

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Matching grant funds from the AHW Community Impact Grant and the Medical College of Wisconsin Maternal and Child Health Equity Grant, the unspent funds of the Oshkosh Area Community foundation Developmental Screening project grant.

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? No

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Yes. Private, public and community foundation funds have been awarded to First 5 Fox Valley for various projects.

- 2023 ThedaCare Community Health Grant \$55,000
- 2023-2024 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board- Connecting Resources & Child Car

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? the navigator position identified specifically to work within Winnebago County communities, school districts and child care programs.

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: Outagamie County ARPA grant 2021

AHW- Maternal and Child Health Equity Grant- federal pass through to WI Department of Health to be distributed by the Alliance for Healthier Wisconsin foundation.

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? No. The sustainability of the navigator positions are created with partners embedding the positions within their own budgets after 3 years of start up support- such as this grant opportunity.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 29

Request from: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Type of project: Programming

General Scope of Project: contract a fulltime- or several PT Family Resource Navigator positions

Project Lead: Winnebago County Public Health Department

Primary location: Navigators are embedded within current partnering agencies. Conversations are currently underway with Family Services- Parenting Connection, UW-Oshkosh Head Start, Boys and Girls Club new hub for shared services, and others

of individuals served by project: currently 1366 children and 1263 families. We will expand that number by 10% each of the 3 years of funding.

Areas served: Winnebago County: Bute Des Morts, Eureka, Larsen, Menasha, Neenah, Omro, Oshkosh, Pickett, Waukau, Winnebago, Winneconne, zipcodes and school districts within county jurisdiction.

Lasting impact: This grant will provide the means to engage more deeply and authentically with communities, developing relationships with local organizations that work with families who have children ages 0-5 and who don't often access traditional community resources or child developmental screenings. As F5FV continues to expand free developmental screening opportunities, it is hopeful that Protective Factors will be strengthened and resiliency built to buffer adverse conditions they might face. Our hope to find children where they are and strengthen our commitment to equitable access to services for all families free and open to all.

Completion Date: December 30th 2026

Project Stage: In process of implementing

Project Cost: \$450,000

Requested Amount: 300,000

Other Funding: Matching grant funds from the AHW Community Impact Grant and the Medical College of Wisconsin Maternal and Child Health Equity Grant, the unspent funds of the Oshkosh Area Community foundation Developmental Screening project grant.

Is full Amt Required: No

Other Govt. Funding: Yes. Private, public and community foundation funds have been awarded to First 5 Fox Valley for various projects.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

- 2023 ThedaCare Community Health Grant \$55,000
- 2023-2024 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board- Connecting Resources & Child Care \$110,461. Navigators to support work with child care programs.
- 2022-2023 AHW Community-Led Population and Community Health Study \$200,000-
- 2022 Outagamie County ARPA Non-profit Community Grants \$50,000
- 2021-2022 CHAT Funding \$58,000
- 2021 WI Department of Children and Families PDG- Community Innovation \$100,000
- 2020-2024 Basic Needs Giving Partnership Fox Cities- Welcome Baby Grant \$500,000 over 5 years
- 2020-2023 Oshkosh Area Community Foundation- Oshkosh Developmental Screening Grant \$256,200 over 3 years.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

the navigator position identified specifically to work within Winnebago County communities, school districts and child care programs.

Other ARPA Funds:

Outagamie County ARPA grant 2021

AHW- Maternal and Child Health Equity Grant- federal pass through to WI Department of Health to be distributed by the Alliance for Healthier Wisconsin foundation.

Ongoing Maint:

First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Increase to Operational budget:

No. The sustainability of the navigator positions are created with partners embedding the positions within their own budgets after 3 years of start up support- such as this grant opportunity.

Legacy:

N/A

One-time funding:

to take over

Operational, says for 3 years, intent for other programs

Geographic service area:

Winn. Co.

Other funding:

Matching grant funds from the AHW Community Impact Grant and the Medical College of Wisconsin Maternal and Child Health Equity Grant, the unspent funds of the Oshkosh Area Community foundation Developmental Screening project grant.

Notes:

the operational costs of staff person.

Unsure of lasting impact if other programs don't pick up

GOVT: Debt Avoidance:

Quazi-Govt? Winn.Co Health Dept.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: First 5 Fox Valley, Inc

Assigned Application Number: 29

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Organization: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Sandy Drexler

Name of person completing survey: Sandy Drexler

Email: sdrexler@tricitydental.org

Phone: 920.882.9989

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): 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.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: Funds will be used 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.

1. Updated dental equipment and supporting technology to modernize our resources. These items will make us more attractive to our three groups who provide dentistry: Tri-County Dental Fellows; Marquette University School of Dentistry students; and volunteer dentists, who provide services and teach and supervise the students. With cutting-edge technology, we can compete for higher-caliber Fellows – recent dental school graduates who spend a year honing their skills and doing approximately 40% of our dentistry. Marquette University School of Dentistry, whose students provide a roughly one-third of our dentistry, consistently updates its equipment, and we need to stay current to be one of their off-site partners. The new technology can increase the number of volunteer dentists we have. For some, they will be able to use the technology they rely on in their office, making it more comfortable and easier to volunteer. For those who aren't using the new technology, it will allow them to be exposed to it without having to make the significant financial investment. More dentists using newer technology can improve dental services for us all. Here are the specifics:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

o Treat dental decay – dental lasers, electric handpieces

☐ Tooth decay is the second most common disease, after the common cold. Lasers remove decay without shots and the sound of drilling, reducing patient anxiety, especially with children who comprise 75% of our patients.

☐ Not all decay can be removed with lasers. Electric handpieces are a more recent innovation to remove decay and are the technology dental schools are currently using and/or moving to.

o Produce highly accurate dental images with 10 times less radiation using Cone Beam Computer Tomography (CBCT). Both hard and soft tissue images are captured, allowing for more accurate and safer diagnoses.

o Create crowns and flippers (removable artificial teeth) with a 3D printer. Priority will be given to children and veterans who have had front teeth removed, improving their self-confidence and self-esteem and the integrity of their mouth structure and bite. This will be a new service for us, and one we can do in our office in one visit, highly desirable so adults miss less work.

o Enhanced computer servers are a necessary one-time purchase to support any or all of the new lasers, CBCT and 3D printer.

o Intra-oral cameras and screens and televisions in each of our 13 operatories will be used to educate patients, reduce anxiety and enhance the patient experience. The cameras create images that can be projected onto the screen to show the patient the issues with their teeth or the great care they've been taking of their mouth. While the dental work is being done, the television can be used to watch videos, shows or movies to provide a distraction for the patient.

o Monitors in the lobby can be used to educate patients and patients' parents, as they are a captive audience when waiting for their children. We would like to use this time to provide education about good dental care. Daily dental care for kids is something that requires parental knowledge and follow up and makes a significant difference in children's outcomes. The current monitor in the team

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

conference room can't be seen by all team members when we gather for a training or education. It would be beneficial to have a screen that is visible to all.

- o Phones and computers – our current phone system is decades old. A new system will allow us to contact patients using enhanced text technology and to mask when personal cell phones are used for follow up. Our computers are four years old and the infrastructure behind them is older. We'd like to improve our overall efficiency with updated computers.

2. Improve the environmental and financial sustainability of the clinic; prepare for disasters

- o Using solar technology would bring down our clinic's electric bills and generate 85% of the power we consume, dropping our bills from \$5,000 to \$750 a year. As our roof is 20 years old, we would replace the roof before installing the solar panels.

- o The addition of a generator would position the clinic to provide patient care during emergencies and disasters. Treating dental and other minor emergencies in our clinic would keep people out of hospital emergency departments so their attention can be focused on the most critical patients. We could also provide shelter, should it be needed.

3. Provide consistent storage for the mobile clinic, increasing our financial and physical stability.

- o Historically, we have used donated or leased space for our mobile clinic. In the last three years, we have stored the mobile clinic in three different locations, one of which is 30 miles away from our clinic and further from the schools we serve. The mobile clinic is essential to our ability to treat kids in their schools and is a \$700,000 unit that needs to have a heated storage space to protect the dental equipment to keep it from freezing and breaking. The facility needs floor drains to remove safely the waste liquid and a water source to fill the tanks. To have our own permanent storage space with close proximity to our partner schools would be a game-changer and provide needed stability.

A spreadsheet specifically outlines the cost of each component of the overall proposal.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Internal. Can be done in collaboration with Winnebago County Health Department

Where is the primary location of the project? 9 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, with the mobile clinic visiting 13 schools in Oshkosh and 11 in Neenah as well as the Boys and Girls Clubs in Oshkosh and Menasha.

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? In 2022, care was provided during 4,720 patient visits to our fixed-site and mobile clinics from Menasha, Neenah and Oshkosh residents. Each year, about 40% of our patients are from Winnebago County.

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve? We partner with the Oshkosh and Neenah School districts for our Robert Glass Focus on the Children school-based program giving free dental care on our mobile clinic to 25 Winnebago County schools. At the fixed-site clinic, we treat qualifying Winnebago C

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The impact of this investment in our equipment, facilities and infrastructure will keep increasing over time, as the equipment upgrades will allow us to:

- Attract higher-quality Fellow program candidates, who will produce better and faster dentistry in their tenure, serving more patients and improving the quality of care.
- Strengthen our relationship with Marquette University School of Dentistry.
- Update our dental technology, so we can recruit more volunteer dentists.
- Improve the patient experience so visit consistency increases, resulting in a reduction in the number of cavities and large cavities and extractions needed. When we reduce or remove dental pain, children are more likely to pay attention and do better in school, adults can be more productive and spend less time away from work, and patients' quality of life is improved. The clinic operating costs will decrease as the use of solar energy will substantially lower clinic electric bills, more than overcoming any additional draw that the new equipment will have. In the event of an emergency or disaster in our community, the clinic will be able to address people's dental needs, be used to treat other patients if needed, and can provide shelter.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

In what stage is the project? Ready to implement

What is the estimated completion date? 45536

Estimated cost of the entire project: 807250

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: 403625

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? No. While some of the dental equipment upgrades would require computer infrastructure to support them, any of the components can be funded separately.

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Wisconsin Healthcare Infrastructure Grant - \$160,000 in 2022 toward the purchase of dental chairs that cost \$236,000.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services - \$75,000 in 2023 for salaries and dental supplies; \$29,858 in 2021 for general support.

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What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? 0.5

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: None

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Tri-County is responsible and has an experienced property manager and dental service technicians.

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Operating cost increases would be in our energy costs. Our proposal is designed specifically so any energy cost increase will be covered by the solar panels, which will also reduce significantly our overall expenses.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

CBCTs, dental lasers and electric handpieces have lifespans that should last several decades. All dental equipment requires maintenance, which we build into our budget every year.

Owning storage for our mobile clinic will eliminate the lease that we currently have. We already pay for electricity and water, so those costs won't change.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 40

Request from: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.

Type of project: Hardware upgrades

General Scope of Project: Hardware/Technology?

Project Lead: Internal. Can be done in collaboration with Winnebago County Health Department

Primary location: 9 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, with the mobile clinic visiting 13 schools in Oshkosh and 11 in Neenah as well as the Boys and Girls Clubs in Oshkosh and Menasha.

of individuals served by project: In 2022, care was provided during 4,720 patient visits to our fixed-site and mobile clinics from Menasha, Neenah and Oshkosh residents. Each year, about 40% of our patients are from Winnebago County.

Areas served: We partner with the Oshkosh and Neenah School districts for our Robert Glass Focus on the Children school-based program giving free dental care on our mobile clinic to 25 Winnebago County schools. At the fixed-site clinic, we treat qualifying Winnebago C

Lasting impact: The impact of this investment in our equipment, facilities and infrastructure will keep increasing over time, as the equipment upgrades will allow us to:

- Attract higher-quality Fellow program candidates, who will produce better and faster dentistry in their tenure, serving more patients and improving the quality of care.
- Strengthen our relationship with Marquette University School of Dentistry.
- Update our dental technology, so we can recruit more volunteer dentists.
- Improve the patient experience so visit consistency increases, resulting in a reduction in the number of cavities and large cavities and extractions needed. When we reduce or remove dental pain, children are more likely to pay attention and do better in school, adults can be more productive and spend less time away from work, and patients' quality of life is improved. The clinic operating costs will decrease as the use of solar energy will substantially lower clinic electric bills, more than overcoming any additional draw that the new equipment will have. In the event of an emergency or disaster in our community, the clinic will be able to address people's dental needs, be used to treat other patients if needed, and can provide shelter.

Completion Date: Sep-24

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$807,250

Requested Amount: 403,625

Other Funding: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Is full Amt Required: No. While some of the dental equipment upgrades would require computer infrastructure to support them, any of the components can be funded separately.

Other Govt. Funding: Wisconsin Healthcare Infrastructure Grant - \$160,000 in 2022 toward the purchase of dental chairs that cost \$236,000.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services - \$75,000 in 2023 for salaries and dental supplies; \$29,858 in 2021 for general support.

Federal Department of Health & Human Resources Administration - \$6,830 in 2021 for general support.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

50%

Other ARPA Funds: None

Ongoing Maint: Tri-County is responsible and has an experienced property manager and dental service technicians.

Increase to Operational budget: Operating cost increases would be in our energy costs. Our proposal is designed specifically so any energy cost increase will be covered by the solar panels, which will also reduce significantly our overall expenses.

CBCTs, dental lasers and elect

Legacy: impact of service

One-time funding: yes

Geographic service area: Neenah and Oshkosh

Other funding: Conversations with two of our largest funders have indicated that these are the types of projects they like to fund. They can't promise future funds, but said they feel good about this. The Tri-County Dental Board of Directors has agreed to cover costs

Notes: Technology/hardware
we feel since they cover 3 counties, the ask should be for 1/3 of the project.
They do list details so specific programs/projects could be selected

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Tri-County Community Dental Clinic, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 40

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

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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:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Organization: Child Care Resource and Referral

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Candy Hall

Name of person completing survey: Candy Hall

Email: candyh@ccrrfoxvalley.org

Phone: 9203768598

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): CCR&R is a community-based non-profit agency offering services to parents, child care providers, employers, and the community that improve the quality and accessibility of early childhood education and care.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: It supports child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers that could provide more child care slots in Winnebago County. This would be exceptionally helpful in the areas considered a child care desert.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Winnebago County Public Health

Where is the primary location of the project? Winnebago County

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 92 child care providers

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve? all of Winnebago County

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The lasting impact would be to increase the number of quality child care slots in the County. This allows families to work and trust that their child is cared for safely. Families that have care for their children can provide for their family and contribute to the community, and children that are in safe care are better performers in school and as adults.

In what stage is the project? Ready to implement

What is the estimated completion date? Dec-26

Estimated cost of the entire project: \$915,000

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: \$450,000

Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: unrestricted funds and in kind

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? Yes

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Our agency receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services. We also receive limited funds as a base contract from DCF.

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? A small percentage will be funded by certification contracts.

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: Calumet County
\$689,782.50

Waupaca County \$1,202,700.00

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Child Care Resource and Referral

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Child Care Resource and Referral will continue to support the programs that benefit from the ARPA dollars by maintaining our continuous search for grant funding and continuing the relationships built with the agency to support child care in Winnebago County.

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 13

Request from: Child Care Resource and Referral

Type of project: Childcare

General Scope of Project: To support child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers (to aid in opening additional child care slots)

Project Lead: Winnebago County Public Health

Primary location: Winnebago County

of individuals served by project: 92 child care providers

Areas served: all of Winnebago County

Lasting impact: The lasting impact would be to increase the number of quality child care slots in the County. This allows families to work and trust that their child is cared for safely. Families that have care for their children can provide for their family and contribute to the community, and children that are in safe care are better performers in school and as adults.

Completion Date: Dec-26

Project Stage: Ready to implement

Project Cost: \$915,000

Requested Amount: 450,000

Other Funding: unrestricted funds and in kind

Is full Amt Required: Yes

Other Govt. Funding: Our agency receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services. We also receive limited funds as a base contract from DCF.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding:

A small percentage will be funded by certification contracts.

Other ARPA Funds: Calumet County \$689,782.50

Waupaca County \$1,202,700.00

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Child Care Resource and Referral

Assigned Application Number: 13

Ongoing Maint: Child Care Resource and Referral

Increase to Operational budget: Child Care Resource and Referral will continue to support the programs that benefit from the ARPA dollars by maintaining our continuous search for grant funding and continuing the relationships built with the agency to support child care in Winnebago Coun

Legacy: N/A

One-time funding: request for operations? ongoing expenses.

Geographic service area: Winn. Co.

Other funding: unrestricted funds and in kind

Notes: \$450,000: funding for training, suplimenting wages

GOVT: Debt Avoidance: N/A

Sustainability focused: N/A

ER Response: N/A

Water Quality: N/A

Quality of Life: N/A

Funding to assist private investor: N/A

Agenda Item Report



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DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Child Care Resource and Referral request for \$450,000 in Spirit Funds to support child care providers with training and mentoring, to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers, and to aid in increasing available child care openings in Winnebago County.

General Description:

Child Care Resource and Referral supports child care providers with training and mentoring to provide more child care slots in Winnebago County. This would be exceptionally helpful in the areas considered a child care desert.

Action Requested:

Child Care Resource and Referral request for \$450,000 in Spirit Funds to support child care providers with training and mentoring to assist with staff retention and recruiting family child care providers.

Procedural Steps:

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

Background:

Child Care Resource and Referral receives \$37,200.00 total from all 5 Counties to provide certification services and receives limited funds as a base contract from DCF. CCR&R is a community-based non-profit agency offering services to parents, child care providers, employers, and the community that improve the quality and accessibility of early childhood education and care.

Policy Discussion:

This request could be considered program/operational and not one-time capital funds.

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

- 1) Child Care Resource and Referral supports child care providers with training and mentoring and enhance services provided by Public Health and Human Services, as well as county-wide economic development.
- 2) \$450,000 Spirit Fund Grant would provide Winnebago County residents with access to quality childcare providers with the resources they need to continue providing services or expand services.

Attachments:

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Winnebago County
The Wave of the Future

DATE: 01/31/24
FROM: Winnebago County Executive's Office
RE: Pillars, Inc. request for \$50,000 in Spirit Funds in support of facilities and maintenance of a semi-independent program (Ascend) that provides supportive services and independent living skills paired with affordable housing for young adults living with mental health challenges.

General Description:

From homelessness to coming home, Pillars provides shelter, support, and solutions to address the housing needs in our community. Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

Action Requested:

Pillars, Inc. request for \$50,000 in Spirit Funds to support the Ascend program.

Procedural Steps:

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

Background:

Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend, a program of Pillars, has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

Pillars acts and advocates, on our own and in partnership with others, to increase access to affordable housing. As such, Ascend program participants pay monthly program fees (which cover housing and all other program costs like case management and professional counseling services) 70% below market rate. This affordable rent helps support participants in establishing financial stability and self-sufficiency.

Policy Discussion:

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

- 1) Pillars and the Ascend program's goal is to stability of safe, affordable housing in conjunction with resources for mental health support, education, employment, and basic living skills, program participants are set up for a lifetime of success and self-sufficiency.
- 2) \$50,000 Spirit Fund Grant will make that possible for the 25 households who reside in Ascend units in Winnebago County to receive services.

Attachments:

Name of Organization leading the project/looking for funding: Pillars, Inc.
Assigned Application Number: 58

Organization: Pillars, Inc.

CEO/Executive Director/Organization Leader: Lisa Strandberg, Executive Director

Name of person completing survey: Alona Boots

Email: aboots@pillarsinc.org

Phone: (920) 734 - 9192 x116

Type of organization requesting funding: Non-profit organization

Organization's mission statement (if applicable): From homelessness to coming home, Pillars provides shelter, support, and solutions to address the housing needs in our community.

Does the organization conduct a third-party financial audit? Yes.

Describe the general scope of the project for which funding would be requested: Pillars requests \$50,00 in support of facilities and maintenance of Ascend. Ascend is a semi-independent program that provides supportive services and independent living skills paired with affordable housing for young adults living with mental health challenges. Since the inception of the program in 2017, Ascend has served over 80 young adults on their journeys to successful independent adulthood. Funding from the Winnebago County Spirit Fund will be used to address overdue and underfunded maintenance for the 16 Ascend units that are home to 25 households.

The 16 units that make up Ascend are owned and managed by Pillars. The housing is broken into two categories: Program Units and Non-Program Units (rental units). Program units are dedicated to housing Ascend participants while the remainder of the units are rented out below market rate. Rental income generated by these non-program units helps support the overall operations of Ascend. However, this rental income is not enough to sustain the program on its own.

Pillars acts and advocates, on our own and in partnership with others, to increase access to affordable housing. As such, Ascend program participants pay monthly program fees (which cover housing and all other program costs like case management and professional counseling services) well below market rate – 70% below market rate, in fact. This affordable rent helps support participants in establishing financial stability and self-sufficiency. Tenants residing non-program properties are charged below market rate, unlike many local landlords who charge rates far above true market rate. In charging these affordable rates, Pillars does not generate the full income potential of these units. Pillars absorbs the difference of income that would be generated by charging full rental amounts. These factors and more contribute to the Ascend facilities and maintenance budget operating at an amount below what is needed to maintain

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the units at a comfortable level. Projects like tree removal, flooring rehab, garage upkeep, and more all remain in need of maintenance.

Having a home is imperative for these young adults' success. Pillars strives to provide a safe, comfortable home for all individuals who live with Pillars. Funding from this grant will make that possible for the 25 households who reside in Ascend units.

Who will lead the project (Internal, City, Winnebago County, State of WI...)? Pillars, Inc.

Where is the primary location of the project? Neenah, WI

How many total individuals would this project serve each year? 25 households.

What areas (cities/regions/school districts) of Winnebago County will the project serve?

Northern Winnebago County, including the Neenah school district.

Please describe the lasting impact of this project on the community: The primary goal of Ascend is to quickly and dramatically improve the future for at-risk young adults who are living with a mental health challenge. As a participant of the Ascend program, young adults receive access to professional services like case management, life skills education, professional counseling, and a vast network of resources and community support. With these support systems and affordable, stable housing, these program participants have a firm foundation to build upon their independence and self-sufficiency. With a program duration of 2 years, young adults have the opportunity to explore career paths, continue education, and grow as an individual.

By leveraging the stability of safe, affordable housing in conjunction with resources for mental health support, education, employment, and basic living skills, program participants are set up for a lifetime of success and self-sufficiency. As these young adults are lifted up, they are supported in rising to the level of independence of which they are capable of. In the end, this yields a more vibrant and engaged community, a stronger workforce, less reliance on community programs and resources, and individuals who have greater opportunity to achieve success in every part of their lives. When the young adults of our society thrive, so does the community.

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For many program participants, Ascend is their first experience having a safe, clean, and stable home. Ascend creates a new standard of home for these young adults' futures. When you're well-rested, healthy and strong, doing the hard work of overcoming barriers becomes easier. Stephanie*, a graduate of the program, shared a bit about her housing history and experience. Stephanie* reported that living at Ascend was the longest she had ever remained in one place. She went on to express her appreciation for having an environment where she can be "independent without drugs, alcohol, or guests distracting [her] from [her] goals."

Ophelia*, an upcoming graduate of the Ascend program, said, "for the first time in my life, I'm able to have regular therapy." She added, "I've never had a case manager before that could see me regularly, every single week. It's been really amazing to have that consistency and know that there's people that I can count on." Because of Ascend, Ophelia* was given the support and resources necessary to pursue her dream education and career. Ophelia's* next step toward independence is an apartment through Pillars Stable Housing. There, she will benefit from rent adjusted to 30% of her childcare worker income. Manageable rent will ensure she can continue to care for herself well, without financial stress or fear for her safety.

The direct impact of these maintenance needs will be tough to measure. Ascend has provided over 80 individuals with a place to call home while they work toward successful independence. By investing in the maintenance of these properties, you are investing in the young adults of our community and providing them with the best chance for success. This funding will allow Pillars to make the necessary investment in the homes that 25 young adults and 10 households of community members rely on each year.

*While the young adults mentioned in this narrative are real, their names have been changed to protect their privacy.

In what stage is the project? Within 12 mo. of completion

What is the estimated completion date? Ongoing

Estimated cost of the entire project: \$215,405.29

Requested amount (range) from Winnebago County Spirit Fund: \$50,000

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Other than Spirit funds, how will the project be funded: Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.

Is completion of the project dependent on receiving the full amount requested? Yes & No.
Regularly planned maintenance – maintenance that is vital for the functioning of the units - will remain in the budget. If not selected, any projects made possible by this funding would be delayed further until other funding could be secured.

Has the organization received any type of government (local, state, or federal) funding in the past 2 years? if so, please list Ascend does not receive or utilize government funding. Pillars, as an organization, does receive specific government grant funds that are restricted to certain programs with strict criteria.

What portion of the project will be or is anticipated to be funded by local, state or federal government funding? None. Ascend does not receive any government funding.

List any ARPA funding received from other cities, counties or municipalities: Ascend does not receive any government funding from any city, county, or municipality.

Who will be responsible for any ongoing maintenance of the project? Pillars, Inc.

Will this increase the organizations operating expenses, if so, please explain how that will be maintained? Should Ascend be selected to receive this grant, operational expenses for this project would increase during the fiscal year in which the facilities and maintenance projects are addressed. However, it will not add additional expenses to the budget beyond that.

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Assigned Application Number: 58

Project Information as Sorted by Citizen Panel as of 9/5/2023

R/Y/G and original Application number: 58

Request from: Pillars, Inc.

Type of project: Maintenance/ homelessness

General Scope of Project: facilities and maintenance

Project Lead: Pillars, Inc.

Primary location: Neenah, WI

of individuals served by project: 25 households.

Areas served: Northern Winnebago County, including the Neenah school district.

Lasting impact: The primary goal of Ascend is to quickly and dramatically improve the future for at-risk young adults who are living with a mental health challenge. As a participant of the Ascend program, young adults receive access to professional services like case management, life skills education, professional counseling, and a vast network of resources and community support. With these support systems and affordable, stable housing, these program participants have a firm foundation to build upon their independence and self-sufficiency. With a program duration of 2 years, young adults have the opportunity to explore career paths, continue education, and grow as an individual.

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Completion Date: Ongoing

Project Stage: Within 12 mo. of completion

Project Cost: \$215,405.29

Requested Amount: 50,000

Other Funding: Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.

Is full Amt Required: Yes & No. Regularly planned maintenance – maintenance that is vital for the functioning of the units - will remain in the budget. If not selected, any projects made possible by this funding would be delayed further until other funding could be secured.

Other Govt. Funding: Ascend does not receive or utilize government funding. Pillars, as an organization, does receive specific government grant funds that are restricted to certain programs with strict criteria.

Portion funded by local, state or federal government funding: None. Ascend does not receive any government funding.

Other ARPA Funds: Ascend does not receive any government funding from any city, county, or municipality.

Ongoing Maint: Pillars, Inc.

Increase to Operational budget: Should Ascend be selected to receive this grant, operational expenses for this project would increase during the fiscal year in which the facilities and maintenance projects are addressed. However, it will not add additional expenses to the budget beyond

Legacy: no

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One-time funding:	no
Geographic service area:	Northern Winn. Co.
Other funding:	Diverse channels of revenue funds Pillars on an annual basis. These streams include community giving, government and non-government grant awards, rent and program fees, and fundraising events.
Notes:	request: 50,000: looking for maintenance/upkeep costs
GOVT: Debt Avoidance:	N/A
Sustainability focused:	N/A
ER Response:	N/A
Water Quality:	N/A
Quality of Life:	N/A
Funding to assist private investor:	N/A