

SQ 781 FUNDING

INFO-SHEET



**MONEY FOR
EVERY COUNTY!**

County Community Safety Investment Fund: 781 Funds

- Money is available to each county. This is non-competitive. No other county can apply for your funds.

43A O.S. § 2-312.1 - 2-312.4:

- This money comes from savings and averted costs from the prior fiscal year's reduction of incarcerations that are calculated by **LOFT**
- The savings are appropriated by the legislature and paid to the County Community Safety Investment Fund
- Funds are budgeted and monitored by **ODMHSAS**
- Funding is for the development and implementation of listed programs
- County governments or multi-county partnerships may apply for funds
- Each county shall be allocated at least 0.5% of the total amount appropriated



How Can the Funds Be Used?

- Mental health and substance abuse treatment programs or other health care programs provided in the community
- Pretrial diversion programs, mental health and substance use jail intake screenings, or jail reentry programs
- Employment programs
- Education programs
- Housing programs

How to Apply:

- Gather county stakeholders and meet with the County Commissioners
- Brainstorm on the needs of the county
- Work together to prioritize needs
- Decide on a budget for each need
- Prepare a proposal (template available)
- County Commissioners approve the proposal as the only proposal for the county
- Submit to ODMHSAS at 781info@odmhsas.ok.gov

Programming Ideas:

Pretrial Services

- Staffing to screen people for service needs
- Provide supervision & connection to community-based treatment services for those on pretrial bond
- Outreach for court date reminders, transportation support, and case management

Jail Based Treatment Services

- Develop or expand Mental Health (MH) or Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services in the county jail
- Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), if appropriate
- Connection to community-based services

Employment Services

- Develop or expand supported employment, resume building or job coaching

Housing Services

- Develop or expand housing programs which provide emergency housing resources to homeless individuals on pretrial, on probation, or in treatment court programs

Law Enforcement Led Diversion

- Provide education & policy updated for local law enforcement to increase diversion to treatment efforts for individuals interacting with law enforcement
- Implementation of outreach officers to co-respond with community MH providers for individuals frequently interacting with officer due to unmet MH needs

First Responder Led Diversion

- Provide a co-response with community MH providers after overdose rescues or other situations indicative of behavioral health treatment needs

Expansion of Criminal Diversion Opportunities

- Develop or expand current diversion programs or treatment courts
- Assist participants with fees, drug testing, housing, education, and employment services
- Outreach for court date reminders, transportation support, and case management

Expansion of Civil Diversion Opportunities

- Develop or expand civil diversion dockets for individuals whose criminal charges may be dismissed with an agreement for a civil order to community-based treatment services

Systemic District Coordination

- Creation of a district diversion office which coordinates all diversion efforts in the county
- Implement systemic diversion focus through prearrest, pretrial, pre-adjudication, post plea or sentencing
- Provide a unified approach to diversion, data collection, and education in the county and/or judicial district