

# JOHNSON COUNTY Decategorization Program

Laurie Nash – Decat Coordinator

#### **Decat Board Meeting Minutes August 8, 2023** Room 214 HHS and Zoom.

Board members in attendance: Susan Vileta (Chair), Jon Green (JCBOS), Amy Howell (HHS), Heather Bopp (4 Oaks), Carrie Hough (C&FR), During Financial report Dee Dixon (DVIP), Erin Altheide (JCS) and Amy Kahler (guest from UAY) joined the meeting. Staff in attendance: Laurie Nash, Diane Kaster, An Leonard Guests in attendance: Talia and Amy (UAY)

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. Introductions were made.

Approve previous minutes- After a brief discussion, **H Bopp motions to approve June 13th meeting minutes, seconded by A Howell. Motion passed unanimously.** 

Financial Report- FY23 Revenue remained \$353,476.76, Funds allocated for FY23 contracts total \$196,941.91. Leaving unallocated fund balance of \$156,534.82 to begin FY24. FY23 contract expenditures totaled \$161,069.71, leaving an encumbered contract balance of \$35,872.20. These funds will remained encumbered until the State closes out FY23.

FY24~ Legislative allocation was received 7/24/23 in the amount of \$72,136. This allocation plus the unallocated \$156,534.92 funds held for FY24 services result in a total discretionary fund of \$228,670,82, with an additional \$3,000 designated from JCS resulting in total revenue of \$231,670.82 for FY24. Current contracts allocated for FY24 total \$143,554.00. Resulting in unallocated fund balance of \$88,116.82.

Accept FY24 Total Decat Allocation- C Houg motions to accept the Johnson County Decategorization allocation in the amount of \$72,136.00, seconded by A Howell. Motion passes unanimously. Funds must be spent by 6/30/27.

FY23 Report Review- A Leonard reviewed the outcomes of our FY23 contracts.16 contracts were issued with 2 contracts ending early (Professional Development and Empowered2Ride). Johnson County Social Services had 5 contracts meeting 100% of Performance Measures. United Action for Youth held 5 contracts meeting a combined average of 91% of Performance Measures.

Families, Inc. held 3 contracts meeting 92% of Performance Measures.

Dream City held 1 contract meeting 88% of Performance Measures.

Global Network had 1 contract meeting 88% of Performance Measures.

Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County held 1 contract (ending after 2 quarter) met 50% PMs.

DeCat Planning Activities and Operating Rules Review- L Nash reviewed changes at State level, with reorganizations effecting multiple departments. DHS becoming HHS and absorbing some additional agencies. Board reviewed our Rule of Operation with some updated language. Draft of changes reviewed by the Board, discussion followed. Everyone should have received an invite to the upcoming September planning meetings. At the first meeting we will review what Decat, JJYD, Empowerment, Juvenile Court, CPPC and other youth serving boards are doing with their funds. At the second meeting we will discuss community wide goals and priority areas, so we can compliment our agency services- less gaps and more knowledge about who does what. This fits in with the CPPC model which is about the process of distributing the work to accomplish our community goals. Decat is tasked with the purpose of redirecting Child Welfare Funds, considering all of the current changes this will undoubtedly change the Decat focus as well. If Decat is no longer child abuse reduction focused what will our focus be? Prevention and connection were suggested by S Vileta as the main need currently in our community. What would this board like their role to evolve into as funding decreases? The Cultural Equity Team demise was discussed.

Program and Other Update- HHS as part of the realignment has opened a consumer survey, Nash encourages all to share and to complete this survey, as a great opportunity for folks to give HHS feedback about the current changes.

Back to School event Aug. 12th at the Green State Credit Union parking lot off of Mormon Trek. 147 ICCSD staff have gotten certified in Youth and Mental Health First Aid. Teachers report feeling isolated and requested help in learning to support each other and their students in these trying times. Neely Shaffer is a new Children's Mental Health Navigator, L Nash is meeting with her soon and will report back with more info. Families can self-refer or others can refer families for services and the navigator will connect families to services, and assist with getting kids on waivers, or their wait lists.

## Announcements-

Please review calendars as some of our Decat Board terms will be ending. Looking for a new Chair and Vice Chair. Unfortunately, K Razavi has resigned from this Board (we hope temporarily). Jess Lang is the new Community Violence Intervention Specialist. Jess is proposing some new ways to work with the ICPD and Juvenile Court. Unity Stevens is new at CommUnity, doing some mobile crisis outreach with youth.

Johnson County Social Services is adding a second Navigator position, and a Community Services Manager position will be out for applications soon.

## Meeting adjourned at 3:34

## Next meeting September 12, 2023 beginning at 2:30

Please direct any questions about this meeting to: Laurie Nash, Decat Coordinator Johnson County Social Services Phone: 356-6090; <u>Inash@johnsoncountyiowa.gov</u>