

# HENNEPIN COUNTY

## MINNESOTA

### FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

#### LAW, SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024

1:30 PM

Chair: Jeff Lunde, District 1  
ViceChair: Heather Edelson, District 6  
Members: Irene Fernando, District 2  
Marion Greene, District 3  
Angela Conley, District 4  
Debbie Goettel, District 5  
Kevin Anderson, District 7

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#### 1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. October 8, 2024 Minutes

**Attachments:** [LSJ-COMMITTEE.MINUTES-08-Oct-2024](#)

#### 2. New Business

##### Routine Items

2.A. [24-0452](#)

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00005722 with the Regents of the University of Minnesota to provide youth justice system research services, ext end date 06/30/26 and incr NTE \$192,544

2.B. [24-0453](#)

Amd 4 to Agmt PR00002848 with CornerHouse Interagency Child Abuse Evaluation Center for assessments of child sexual abuse victims and expert witness testimony, ext end date 12/31/25 and incr NTE to \$1,213,264

2.C. [24-0454](#)

Amds to three Agmts with local agencies to provide juvenile diversion services to the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, ext end date through 06/30/25 and incr combined NTE to \$1,925,000

2.D. [24-0455](#)

Amds to six Agmts with local agencies to provide victim advocacy, legal representation, and intervention and prevention services for cases handled by the Domestic Abuse Service Center in the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, ext end dates to 12/31/25 and incr combined NTE to \$1,916,222

2.E. [24-0456](#)

Agmts A2412529, A2412530, A2412531, A2412532 between the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office and the Cities of Greenfield, Hanover, Medicine Lake, and Rockford, for the provision of patrol services, 01/01/25-12/31/26, \$891,586.99 (recv)

**Addendum**

2.F. [24-0482](#)

Neg Agmt with Life Technologies Corporation for the provision of DNA equipment validation services, 10/29/24-04/28/25, NTE \$222,950

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300 South Sixth Street  
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55487-0240

## MINNESOTA

### Board Action Request

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**TMP-1554**

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**Item Description:**

October 8, 2024 Minutes

# HENNEPIN COUNTY

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### COMMITTEE MINUTES

**LAW, SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE**  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024  
1:30 PM

Chair: Jeff Lunde, District 1  
ViceChair: Heather Edelson, District 6  
Members: Irene Fernando, District 2  
Marion Greene, District 3  
Angela Conley, District 4  
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Commissioner Jeff Lunde, Chair, called the meeting of the Law, Safety and Justice Committee for Tuesday, October 8, 2024 to order at 2:32 p.m.

**Present:** Jeff Lunde, Irene Fernando, Marion Greene, Angela Conley, Debbie Goettel, Kevin Anderson and Heather Edelson

#### 1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. September 24, 2024 LSJ Minutes

#### APPROVE

**Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel, to approve the Minutes.**

**Aye:** Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Anderson and Edelson

#### 2. New Business

##### Routine Items

2.A. [24-0412](#)

Agmt A2412548 with the U.S. Attorney, Metropolitan Police Dept. for reimbursement of expenses incurred in providing security for the 60th Presidential Inaugural events, 01/17/25-01/21/25, \$110,000 (est recv)

#### CONSENT

**Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.**

**Aye:** Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Anderson and Edelson

2.B. [24-0413](#)

Agmt PR00006639 with Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota to provide professional Health Care Agent Services, 11/01/24-12/31/25, NTE \$60,000

**CONSENT**

**Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.**

**Aye:** Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Anderson and Edelson

There being no further business, the Law, Safety and Justice Committee for Tuesday, October 8, 2024 was declared adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Maria Rose  
Clerk to the County Board

## MINNESOTA

### Board Action Request

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**24-0452**

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**Item Description:**

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00005722 with the Regents of the University of Minnesota to provide youth justice system research services, ext end date 06/30/26 and incr NTE \$192,544

**Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 1 to Agreement PR00005722 with the Regents of the University of Minnesota to provide youth justice system research services, extending the contract through June 30, 2026 and increasing the not-to-exceed amount to \$192,544 be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Amendment on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disperse the funds as directed.

**Background:**

In 2023, the HCAO was one of three jurisdictions in the country to be awarded funding through the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Juvenile Justice System Reform and Reinvestment Initiative. Through the grant, we are conducting analysis of youth diversion data, engaging community on youth justice related issues, and investing in new diversion approaches.

As a key part of accomplishing those goals, we're working with a research team from the University of Minnesota's Healthy Youth Development \* Prevention Research Center. They are providing statistical analysis, research, and technical expertise to help us to better understand in a data-informed way young peoples' progression through the system, what happens at different decision points, outcomes of various responses, and the impacts of different types of diversion programming. All of this work is being done with an eye toward understanding where disparities may get exacerbated or reduced and how to improve and expand on existing youth diversion practices. This amendment would allow for continuation and expansion of that work that began in 2024.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval

### Board Action Request

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**24-0453**

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**Item Description:**

Amd 4 to Agmt PR00002848 with CornerHouse Interagency Child Abuse Evaluation Center for assessments of child sexual abuse victims and expert witness testimony, ext end date 12/31/25 and incr NTE to \$1,213,264

**Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 4 to Agreement PR00002848 with CornerHouse Interagency Child Abuse Evaluation Center to provide assessments of child abuse victims and expert witness testimony, extending the contract through December 31, 2025 and increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$245,732 to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,213,264 be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Amendment on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disperse the funds as directed.

**Background:**

CornerHouse Interagency Child Abuse Evaluation Center was founded in 1989 as an innovative way for Hennepin County to meet the needs of sexually abused children and vulnerable adults referred to Hennepin County Child Protection and the Minneapolis Police Department. The program:

- Provides prompt, objective, culturally sensitive and age-appropriate interviews and medical examinations by experienced professionals
- Centralizes and limits the number of interviews of children as much as possible in an environment which is child-friendly for young victims and their families
- Coordinates investigations among agencies mandated to respond to child sexual abuse
- Provides expert witness consultation and testimony as needed for cases being prosecuted by the Hennepin County Attorney's Office

CornerHouse has been jointly sponsored by the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, Hennepin Healthcare, the Minneapolis Police Department and the Minneapolis Children's Medical Center. An interagency case team comprised of the investigating police officers, prosecutors, examining pediatricians and interviewers review the completed interviews and coordinate the investigation and follow-up activities.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval

## MINNESOTA

### Board Action Request

24-0454

#### Item Description:

Amds to three Agmts with local agencies to provide juvenile diversion services to the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, ext end date through 06/30/25 and incr combined NTE to \$1,925,000

#### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendments to three Agreements with local agencies to provide juvenile diversion services to the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, extending the contracts through June 30, 2025, and increasing the combined not-to-exceed amount to \$1,925,000 be approved:

- PR00002792 Center for Multicultural Mediation, Amendment 4 increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$35,000 to a new NTE of \$145,000
- PR00002794 Legal Rights Center Inc. Amendment 4 increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$55,000 to a new NTE of \$355,000
- PR00002793 Youable Emotional Health Services (formerly Headway), Amendment 5 increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$300,000 to a new NTE of \$1,425,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total combined funding available for the three contracts shall not exceed \$1,925,000; that the department will manage the contract expenditures with this funding allocation; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Amendments on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse the funds as directed.

#### Background:

The Center for Multicultural Mediation (CMM) provides culturally specific diversion services to youth from Somali and East African families. CMM provides programming for youthful offenders ages 10-17 that meet the Hennepin County Attorney's Office diversion eligibility criteria. Services include initial screening and assessment, and development and monitoring of a diversion contract that addresses the needs and risks of the youth with a restorative focus including restitution to any victims.

The Legal Rights Center, Inc. acts as the lead agency and fiscal agent for the Juvenile Restorative Justice Collaboration (JRJC), which is made up of non-profit juvenile restorative justice providers. Members of the JRJC are Community Mediation and Restorative Services Conflict Resolution Center; The Legal Rights Center; Restorative Justice Community Action; and Seward Longfellow Restorative Justice Partnership. The members provide restorative justice services for youthful offenders ages 10-17 through community reparative panels, outreach to crime victims and community directed service projects.

Youable Emotional Health Services provides juvenile diversion programming for youthful offenders ages 10-17 that meet the Hennepin County Attorney's Office diversion eligibility criteria. Services include initial screening and assessment, and development and monitoring of a diversion contract that addresses the needs and risks of the youth with a restorative focus including restitution to any victims.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval



### Board Action Request

24-0455

#### Item Description:

Amds to six Agmts with local agencies to provide victim advocacy, legal representation, and intervention and prevention services for cases handled by the Domestic Abuse Service Center in the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, ext end dates to 12/31/25 and incr combined NTE to \$1,916,222

#### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendments to the following Agreements to provide victim advocacy, legal representation, and intervention and prevention services for cases handled by the Domestic Abuse Service Center in the Hennepin County Attorney's Office extending the contracts dates from December 31, 2024 to December 31, 2025, and increasing the combined not-to-exceed amounts to \$1,916,222 be approved:

- PR00002843 Asian Women United of MN, Amendment 4 increasing the not-to-exceed from \$189,201 to \$242,501
- PR00002798 Central Minnesota Legal Services (CMLS), Amendment 5 increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$430,743 to \$544,421
- PR00002839 Division of Indian Work (DIW), Amendment 4 increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$189,201 to \$242,501
- PR00004276 Domestic Abuse Project (DAP), Amendment 3 increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$125,998 to \$179,298
- PR00002797 Esperanza United, Amendment 4 increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$375,000 to \$465,000
- PR00002842 with SEWA-AIFW, Amendment 5 increasing the not-to-exceed amount by from \$189,201 to \$242,501; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total combined funding available for the six contracts shall not exceed \$1,916,222; that the department will manage the contract expenditures with this funding allocation; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Amendments on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse the funds as directed.

#### Background:

The Domestic Abuse Services Center (DASC) serves as a place where victims can receive multiple services in one centralized location. DASC may provide services such as advocacy, filing orders for protection, connecting with a prosecution team, and legal consultation and representation from pro-bono attorneys. Additionally, DASC provides intervention and prevention services for those who use abusive behaviors.

Asian Women United of MN and SEWA-AIFW provide culturally specific services. Staff provide advocacy, assist with safety planning and filing Orders for Protection, accompany victims to court, help clients navigate the criminal justice system, and provide referrals to pro-bono attorneys.

CMLS provides legal consultation and representation to victims of domestic violence. CMLS strives to provide culturally responsive and trauma-informed lawyering. Referrals for representation are made by advocates located at DASC with priority given to cases where a respondent is represented by an attorney, where children

have been abused, where the petitioner has language and cultural barriers, or the petitioner has other high-risk factors in their case. This resource is offered to all clients regardless of race, sex, sexual orientation, income or creed. The collaboration provides equal access to justice under the law.

DIW provides vendor advocacy services focused on the local Native American community. Staff from DIW provide advocacy, assist with safety planning and filing Orders for Protection, accompany victims to court, help clients navigate the criminal justice system, and provide referrals to pro-bono attorneys. In addition, DIW provides health services (doula care, etc.), teen pregnancy prevention and sexuality education, food shelf resources, senior services programing, and domestic violence counseling services.

DAP provides supportive services to end the domestic violence cycle, reduce disparities, and promote healthy families, partners, and parents. Supportive services include creation of non-violence plans and providing education on the negative impact domestic violence and a felony conviction can have on housing, employment, student loans, finances, voting, etc., for themselves, their family and their community. In addition, DAP provides community outreach, engagement, and education regarding domestic violence as well as resource referrals.

Esperanza United is one of four culturally specific and bilingual, bicultural service providers housed at DASC. Vendor advocacy services are focused on serving the Latina and Spanish speaking community. Staff from Esperanza United provide advocacy, assist with safety planning and filing Orders for Protection, accompany victims to court, and help clients navigate the criminal justice system. In addition, they provide referrals to pro-bono attorneys and community resources for programming, basic needs and financial assistance.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval

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### Board Action Request

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**24-0456**

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#### **Item Description:**

Agmts A2412529, A2412530, A2412531, A2412532 between the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office and the Cities of Greenfield, Hanover, Medicine Lake, and Rockford, for the provision of patrol services, 01/01/25-12/31/26, \$891,586.99 (recv)

#### **Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Agreements A2412529 with the City of Greenfield in the receivable amount of \$587,398.49, A2412530 with the City of Hanover in the receivable amount of \$220,274.43, A2412531 with the City of Medicine Lake in the receivable amount of \$41,957.03, and A2412532 with the City of Rockford in the receivable amount of \$41,957.03 for the provision of Hennepin County Sheriff's Office patrol services during the period January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026, be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreements on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to accept and disburse funds as directed.

#### **Background:**

The Sheriff's Office provides patrol services for the Cities of Greenfield, Hanover, Medicine Lake, and Rockford on a contract basis. Agreements A2412529, A2412530, A2412531, A2412532 provide the terms of service from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026. The Sheriff's Office established hourly rates for 2025 and 2026 to reflect expected costs, and the cities will be billed quarterly for these services.

Agreement A2412529 with the City of Greenfield - provides for 8 hours per day on average, for a total annual amount of \$289,358.86 in 2025, and \$298,039.63 in 2026.

Agreement A2412530 with the City of Hanover - provides for 3 hours per day on average, for a total annual amount of \$108,509.57 in 2025, and \$111,764.86 in 2026.

Agreement A2412531 with the City of Medicine Lake - provides 4 hours per week on average, for a total annual amount of \$20,668.49 in 2025, and \$21,288.54 in 2026.

Agreement A2412532 with the City of Rockford - provides 4 hours per week on average, for a total annual amount of \$20,668.49 in 2025, and \$21,288.54 in 2026.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval

### Board Action Request

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**24-0482**

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**Item Description:**

Neg Agmt with Life Technologies Corporation for the provision of DNA equipment validation services, 10/29/24 -04/28/25, NTE \$222,950

**Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to negotiate an Agreement with Life Technologies Corporation for the provision of DNA equipment validation services for the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office during the period of October 29, 2024 through April 28, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$222,950, be approved; and that following review and approval by the County Attorney's Office, the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

**Background:**

The Hennepin County Sheriff's Office's Forensic Science Laboratory was formed in the early 1960s and provides DNA testing services to the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, suburban Hennepin County law enforcement agencies, Minnesota State Patrol and some federal law enforcement agencies.

To gain confidence that the DNA equipment is working properly and that the results are reliable, DNA equipment is validated before being placed into service. Validation services include performing a series of vigorous and reproducible tests to confirm that the equipment is operating as intended and that the DNA results can be relied upon. Validation services also assist in developing standard operating procedures and rules for staff when using the equipment.

The Hennepin County Sheriff's Office's Forensic Science Laboratory recently purchased new DNA equipment. The validation services provided by Life Technologies Corporation will allow the Forensic Science Laboratory to implement the new equipment into the forensic DNA workflow. The services will aid the laboratory in meeting the FBI Quality Assurance Standards for DNA Testing Laboratories, which require thorough validation of all workflows, chemistry, instrumentation, and software.

**Recommendation from County Administrator:** Recommend Approval