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Martha Tanner was a founding member of the Region 7 Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) Steering Committee that brought the Memphis Model of First Responder C.I.T. training to Eastern Idaho in 2009. Martha was a member of N.A.M.I. (National Alliance on Mental Illness) for many years as well as an accomplished infectious disease control physician who practiced medicine in Eastern Idaho from 1979 until 2004. Her service to our community and advocacy for those living with mental illness left a profound impression on our community. Martha passed away on February 20, 2021. This grant is founded in her memory with the desire to keep her name and commitment to service alive within our Region.

Beginning July 2021 and continuing as long as the R7BHB exists and funding is available, \$1000.00 per year will be allocated to the Martha Tanner Memorial Grant. The grant award period will open on July 1 of each year and close on August 31. Applications will be reviewed at the September R7BHB meeting and the award will be granted in October of each year. The grant can be given as a single award or broken into smaller amounts and distributed among grant applicants.

The grant will focus on the following areas:

- **Crisis intervention training and resources**
- **Resources to assist in mental illness treatment and recovery**

Applicants must show in their grant request how they will apply the grant consistent with at least one of these focus areas. Applicants may only submit one grant request each year.

A press release notifying the community of the opening of the grant period will be posted by the R7BHB each year.

Successful applicants will report back to the R7BHB in person or in writing of how the funding helped them to accomplish their efforts outlined in their grant request.

Please fully complete the grant request form and submit it to Mallory Johnson, via email, within the specified timeframe: Email: mjohnson@eiph.idaho.gov Questions: Please email or call (208-533-3221) Mallory Johnson.

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REQUESTOR NAME:				
Eric Olson				
ORGANIZATION		TYPE OF ORGANIZATION (501(c)(3), government, other-explain):		
District 7 Mental Health Courts		Collaboration of Agencies		
ORGANIZATION ADDRESS	CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
490 Park Ave #4	Idaho Falls	Bonneville	ID	83402
EMAIL ADDRESS		REQUESTOR'S PHONE NUMER		
olson8653@gmail.com		208-360-0262		
DATE OF REQUEST		AMOUNT OF FUNDS REQUESTED (not to exceed \$1000.00)		
10-31-24		\$1000		
PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR REQUEST, EVENT, OR ACTIVITY (how you plan to use the money), INCLUDING PURPOSE AND DESIRED OUTCOMES:				

I would first like to report back on how much we appreciate being awarded this grant money this past year. It has benefited the participants in our Mental Health Court greatly. We have been able to fund transportation efforts in a couple of different ways. This has been a huge issue for us since the ACT team no longer works with us and D7 cannot transport participants in their county vehicles. We were able to buy GIFT passes that has been very beneficial for many of our participants. We were also able to buy a couple of tires for a car for one of our participants as their tires were completely bald and unsafe heading into fall and winter.

We also were very grateful to be able to use the funds on some housing resources for our participants. This is a constant issue from fees from transitional housing to accessing funds to apply for apartments, first and last month's rent, the needs are endless and this has been so beneficial.

Lastly, we did not really use the money for our last request of healthier treats in court because of the other needs we had and that utilized all the funds...

Looking forward to this coming year, we would like to apply again for the use of these funds. The first area we could use these funds is again, Transportation. This is an ongoing issue, and we would like to utilize about \$300 for these ongoing issues to assist our participants.

Second, we continue to have enormous Housing needs. We would like to request to Utilize \$450 for Housing resources to help folks in areas from housing fees, to deposits, and even to help pay or clean up past utility bills that come up frequently with our clients where they cannot access housing because of a past unpaid utility bill of some kind. This would really benefit our folks to be able to participate in MHCT and have independent living options in the community.

Our last request would be to utilize the remainder of the funds, \$250 for medications. We have learned by doing this in our new system for the past year that we have a great need in this area. There are a lot of times when our participants get out of jail and they're Medicaid has not kicked in yet, but we need to access medications so they can remain on the meds and have stability. A lapse in those medications is disastrous and leads to quick decompensation. This would really be beneficial. We even had a participant this past week that just got out of jail with no money and resources and was very physically ill. The doctor wanted them to access 3 specific medications, not prescriptions, just over-the-counter medications, but we had no way to access them. Utilizing these funds for these types of situations would be very helpful.

I would again just like to express our appreciation as a Mental Health Court team for the funding this past year and your consideration this coming year. This is such a great benefit to our community and truly the participants in our MHCT that Martha Tanner served for years. What a great Honor!

Sincerely,

Eric Olson
District 7 MHCT Manager

TO BE FILLED OUT BY R7BHB

Approved: Yes No - Reason: _____

R7BHB Representative: _____ Date: _____

_____ EIPH Representative: _____

Date: _____



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