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Oregon Criminal Justice Commission
885 Summer St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

Subject: Letter of Support for Marion County Adult Drug Court

Dear Grant Administrator:

Please accept this letter of support for the Marion County Adult Drug Court Treatment Court’s application for the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission General Fund Treatment Court Program, Fiscal Year 2017-2019. Funding to support this valuable program is a benefit to all residents of Marion County.

One of the most troubling issues faced by law enforcement is the number of offenders arrested who suffer from substance abuse, homelessness, and mental illness. Having an Adult Drug Court that concentrates on wraparound services that address these issues in Marion County is an asset to all in law enforcement and to public safety. The need for community-based resources like this Adult Drug Court is growing more important as offenders are often diverted from incarceration and assigned to treatment services in the community.

The Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council offers our support for Marion County Adult Drug Court’s 2017-2019 Criminal Justice Commission Drug Court Grant application.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Janet Carlson
Council Chair