

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee  
SUBMITTED BY



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Drug Court Professionals (NADCP)  
DRAFTED BY

May 8, 2020  
DATE DRAFTED

**PROCLAIMING MAY 2020 TREATMENT COURT MONTH**

1 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts have been restoring lives and families for more than three decades; and,  
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3 **WHEREAS**, there are now more than 4,000 treatment courts nationwide; and,  
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5 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice reform sweeping the nation; and,  
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7 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts have served 1.5 million individuals; and,  
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9 **WHEREAS**, they are now recognized as the most successful justice system intervention in our nation's  
10 history; and,  
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12 **WHEREAS**, they save an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and,  
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14 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes,  
15 substantially reduce addiction and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other criminal justice  
16 strategy; and,  
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18 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts improve education, employment, housing and financial stability, promote  
19 family reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the rate of addicted mothers delivering  
20 babies who are fully drug free; and,  
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22 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety  
23 and public health professionals; and  
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25 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of substance use and crime, we  
26 all rise; and,  
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28 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its Drug Court in April 2007, and has had 663 total participants and  
29 307 successful graduates as of May 8, 2020; and,  
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31 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its Veterans Court in September 2009, and has had 83 total  
32 participants and 61 successful graduates as of May 8, 2020; and,  
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34 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its OWI Court in October 2012, and has had 121 total participants and  
35 75 successful graduates as of May 8, 2020.  
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37 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its Family Recovery Court in August 2019, and has had 11 total  
38 participants as of May 8, 2020.  
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40 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
41 this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, does hereby declare that a "Treatment Court Month" be  
42 established during the month of May 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

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