

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the City of Lowell, to accept and expend a Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health for their Jail Diversion Grant Program in the amount of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Three and 00/100 (\$57,183.00) Dollars.

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The City of Lowell is desirous of accepting and expending a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health for their Jail Diversion Grant Program; and

The Grant will assist the Lowell Police Department in collaboration with Advocates, Inc. to fund two Mental Health Clinicians. These Clinicians will be embedded in the police department and respond with LPD to mental health related calls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL:

That the City Manager be and she is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Lowell, to accept and expend a Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health regarding the Jail Diversion Grant Program award in the amount of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Three and 00/100 (\$57,183.00) Dollars to fund their collaboration with Advocates, Inc. to fund two Mental Health Clinicians. These Clinicians will be embedded in the police department and respond with LPD to mental health related calls.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant, including the expenditure thereof.



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*Deputy Superintendent*

To: City Manager, Eileen Donoghue  
From: Superintendent Kelly Richardson  
Date: October 20, 2021  
Re: Department of Mental Health Jail Diversion Grant Program

The Lowell Police Department is excited to notify you of a recent award from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health for their Jail Diversion Grant Program for \$57,183. This funding will assist the LPD in our collaboration with Advocates, Inc. to fund two Mental Health Clinicians. These Clinicians will be embedded in the police department and respond with LPD to mental health related calls.



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Dear City Councilors,

The Lowell Police Department recently received notification from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health regarding the Jail Diversion Program, Co-Response Program grant award for \$57,183. The LPD respectfully requests the City Council's approval to accept and expend these awards. Information on the award is listed below for your reference.

The LPD will collaborate with Advocates, Inc. to hire two Mental Health Clinicians. These Clinicians will be embedded in the police department and respond with LPD to mental health related calls.

Sincerely,

Raymond Kelly Richardson  
Superintendent