



# United Community Services of Johnson County

## 2021 ALCOHOL TAX FUND RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT

### DRUG and ALCOHOLISM COUNCIL OF JOHNSON COUNTY

*Participating jurisdictions: Johnson County, Gardner, Leawood, Lenexa, Merriam, Mission, Olathe, Overland Park, Prairie Village, and Shawnee*

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The purpose of the grant review process conducted by the Drug and Alcoholism Council of Johnson County (DAC) is to direct local Alcohol Tax Funds (ATF) to alcohol and drug prevention, education, intervention, detoxification, treatment, and recovery programs that serve Johnson County residents. The entire community benefits when substance abuse is prevented and/or effectively treated. A continuum of services from education through treatment and recovery is vital to reducing drug and alcohol use and addiction; this continuum of services lowers healthcare costs; reduces crime and child abuse and neglect – lowering associated public costs; and, increases productivity in employment.

Alcohol Tax Funds are derived from a state excise tax on liquor sold by the drink. Part of the revenue generated is returned to the jurisdiction (city or county) in which it was collected, with the stipulation that a specified portion be used for programs “whose principal purpose is alcoholism and drug abuse prevention or treatment of persons who are alcoholics or drug abusers, or are in danger of becoming alcoholics or drug abusers” (KSA 79-41a04).

The DAC’s grant review process provides a structured and accountable system that allows organizations, through one annual application, access to funds from multiple jurisdictions. The recommendations are guided by funding priorities which are reviewed and approved by the DAC annually. Every three to five years the priorities are developed through a formal planning and research process that includes input from key stakeholders, a review of current literature, and analysis of indicator data in Johnson County. In 2018, UCS conducted this formal planning process and the DAC established funding priorities for the 2019, 2020, and 2021 grant cycles. The Funding Priorities Report is available on UCS’ website. It includes a description of the methodology and a summary of the information collected and reviewed.

The Board of County Commissioners and city councils have ultimate authority and responsibility for determining which organizations receive funds from their respective jurisdictions based upon the recommendations in this report. **Jurisdictions are asked to accept the recommendations by December 22, 2020. Together, Johnson County Government and nine cities committed \$2,024,220 for 2021 ATF (see page 19). Note this ~6% reduction from 2020, due to reduced tax collections during the pandemic, has led to lower funding recommendations for all returning grantees.** UCS has elected to reduce its administrative fee for 2021 (see page 2). Twenty-five applications plus UCS administration fee total \$2,261,401 in funding requests. After reviewing applications, interviewing agencies, and deliberating, the DAC developed the following funding recommendations, which are organized in two sections: Education, Prevention, and Intervention; and, Treatment and Recovery.

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**2021 Alcohol Tax Fund Requests and Recommendations**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>2019 Allocation</b>	<b>2020 Allocation</b>	<b>2021 Request</b>	<b>2021 Recommendation</b>
<b>EDUCATION, PREVENTION and INTERVENTION</b>				
Blue Valley USD 229	\$49,100	\$32,146	\$25,456*	17,951*
De Soto USD 232	\$32,229	\$16,079	\$20,979*	15,158*
Olathe USD 233	\$58,358	\$9,440	\$0*	\$0*
Shawnee Mission USD 512	\$27,000	\$0	\$0*	\$0*
Spring Hill USD 230	\$18,060	\$16,060	\$16,060	\$14,141
Artists Helping Homeless	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$28,281
Boys and Girls Club	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$14,141
Cornerstones of Care	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$70,703
First Call	\$65,000	\$68,000	\$68,000	\$64,105
Heartland RADAC	\$159,734	\$159,734	\$159,734	\$150,583
JoCo Court Services	\$141,377	\$160,000	\$182,000	\$150,834
JoCo Dept. of Corrections	\$12,300	\$15,725	\$3,550*	\$3,347*
JoCo Dept. of Corrections (Changing Lives Through Literature)	\$7,250	\$7,250	\$0*	\$0*
JoCo MHC Prevention	\$120,000	\$170,000	\$187,000	\$168,274
Safehome	\$24,301	\$24,424	\$24,473*	\$23,071*
The Family Conservancy	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$37,709
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$854,709</b>	<b>\$843,858</b>	<b>\$852,252</b>	<b>\$758,298</b>
<b>TREATMENT and RECOVERY</b>				
Friends of Recovery	\$58,000	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$56,563
JoCo MHC Adolescent Center for Tx.	\$253,510	\$321,373	\$253,510	\$238,648
JoCo MHC Adult DeTox Unit	\$289,922	\$289,922	\$289,922	\$273,314
JoCo MHC Dual Diagnosis Outpatient	\$165,000	\$165,000	\$232,863	\$219,523
KidsTLC	\$46,571	\$46,571	\$47,714	\$44,981
KVC Behavioral HealthCare	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$70,000	\$32,995
Lorraine's House	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$18,854
Mirror Inc.	\$176,000	\$176,000	\$191,000	\$165,918
Preferred Family Healthcare	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$113,126
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,169,003</b>	<b>\$1,238,866</b>	<b>\$1,305,009</b>	<b>\$1,163,922</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,023,712</b>	<b>\$2,082,724</b>	<b>\$2,157,261</b>	<b>\$1,922,200</b>
UCS Administration Fee	\$99,000	\$104,500	\$104,500	\$102,000
Total allocation/request & UCS Adm.	\$2,122,712	\$2,187,224	\$2,261,761	\$2,024,220

\*agency has 2020 ATF funds to carryover to 2021 due to effects of the global coronavirus pandemic

## 2021 ALCOHOL TAX FUND GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS

### Education, Prevention and Intervention

*Alcohol Tax Funds (ATF) support programs offered by public school districts and programs delivered by community-based organizations, the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, and departments of Johnson County government. School-based programs are focused on preventing and reducing substance abuse and addressing risk factors associated with substance abuse, such as disruptive behavior, suicide, and truancy. Community-based programs help lower rates of substance abuse, which result in lower mental and physical healthcare costs and reduced costs for law enforcement and the criminal justice system. Funding recommendations are based upon a review of each proposal (see Appendix A for criteria) and consider program type, outcome data, and accountability. Previously each district requested and received ATF support for AlcoholEdu. As a result of the Mental Health Center's recent agreement with EverFi, the company which owns AlcoholEdu, the cost of AlcoholEdu is reduced and it is now available to schools county-wide (public and private) and all districts have access to EverFi's online Mental Health Basics. In 2021, each school district will continue to report outcomes for AlcoholEdu, including knowledge gained and number of students served.*

### School District Programs

Each school district offers a unique mix of programs to its students and parents, and each district has a mix of funding to support these programs. Consequently, ATF recommended programs and fund allocation differ for each district. *In 2021, most district funding requests are reduced due to carryover from mandated closures due to the global pandemic in 2020.*

### **Blue Valley School District**

**Request: \$25,456\***

**Recommendation: \$17,951\***

The DAC recommends Blue Valley School District be awarded \$17,951, which combined with \$12,000 in carryover, will result in an ATF budget of **\$29,951.\*** ATF supports the continuation of sobriety support groups led by therapists from outside the district; building drug and alcohol coordinators and district coordinators; and vouchers for substance abuse evaluations for students suspended for a drug or alcohol-related offense. The coordinators provide leadership and ensure fidelity on district initiatives such as AlcoholEdu, Project Alert, Reconnecting Youth, CAST, and sobriety support groups; they also evaluate the district's Kansas Communities That Care (CTC) survey results.

**Results Projected:** The overall goals are to increase knowledge of substance abuse and available resources for education, prevention, and treatment of substance abuse; and, to reduce favorable attitudes towards substance use, and increase students' resistance to social pressures related to substance/alcohol use. The district's CTC survey results will be used to focus efforts. Community events will be held to increase awareness of the impact of substances on the brain and strategies for drug and alcohol prevention. There will be an increase in the number of student/families that use evaluation/treatment vouchers following a drug and/or alcohol infraction and there will be more consistent participation in sobriety groups. During the 2020-21 school year, the district anticipates serving approximately 12,685 individuals through ATF supported programs.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** In School Year 2019 (SY 2019), 13,429 Johnson County residents were served through the Blue Valley School District. The 1,631 students who participated in

AlcoholEdu demonstrated an average increase in knowledge of 20% in pre and post-assessment. Students in the Sobriety Support groups maintained abstinence or made significant efforts to reduce use. Results from the CTC Survey indicated an increase in vaping (e-cigarettes) and some risk factors however norms favorable to drug use decreased. 12 students received drug and alcohol evaluations through ATF support. Over 250 people attended SY 2019 Vaping in the Valley Part I and over 100 families attended Vaping Part II; 100% agreed information presented was relevant and increased their understanding of prevalence and harmful effects of vaping. Over 90% agreed information could be put into practical use with their child.

### **De Soto School District**

**Request: \$20,079\***

**Recommendation: \$15,158\***

The DAC recommends the De Soto School District be awarded \$15,158, which represents the same level of funding as 2020 less the ~6% reduction. Combined with district's carryover of \$900 ATF carry-over, this will result in an ATF budget of **\$16,058.\*** The ATF funds will support implementation of *Too Good for Drugs* (elementary school students), and two high school prevention clubs. Additionally, ATF funding will support the district's coordinator for substance abuse programming, district social workers (.25 FTE divided between two social workers; 30-35% of their work is around substance abuse), staff development training related to substance abuse prevention and education, and student substance abuse evaluations.

**Results Projected:** Parents/family members will learn more about prevention and resources, both of which will help build protective factors within the family, and when applicable address substance use. Students who participate in *Too Good for Drugs* will demonstrate increased knowledge about their ability to make good choices. Students who use social work services will demonstrate an improved ability to resist using substances to cope and instead use other coping strategies/skills, thus deterring use of substances. During the 2020-21 school year, the district anticipates serving approximately 11,453 adults and 7,634 students through ATF supported programs.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During SY 2019, 10,946 adults and 7,296 youth were served. The district achieved its goals of exposing all students to prevention messages and providing parents an opportunity to learn more about prevention and resources. The 563 students who participated in AlcoholEdu demonstrated an average increase in knowledge of 26%, with the greatest gain in "future ready" which helps students recognize dangerous situations and resist social pressure.

### **Olathe School District**

**Request: \$0\***

**Recommendation: \$0\***

The Olathe School District is not requesting new funds for ATF programming in 2021; the DAC recommends the district utilize its **\$12,497\*** in carryover for student substance abuse assessments, parent education through *Guiding Good Choices* (provided in English and Spanish for parents of students who are identified by school), ASIST, and safeTalk, as detailed in its application. ASIST and safeTALK are suicide prevention programs which the district will provide to high school coaches and sponsors. The district utilizes First Call for education and prevention presentations, the cost of which is reflected in First Call's ATF grant request.

**Results Projected:** The district's goal is to reduce the percentage of students who have a perceived risk of drug use. The district also strives to decrease the number of students who report binge

drinking and cigarette use (30-day prevalence), and increase the age of first use of alcohol, tobacco and other substances. Parents who participate in *Guiding Good Choices* will report they are prepared to implement family meetings to review boundaries about alcohol and drug use and refusal skills. The district plans to train coaches and sponsors in safeTALK and ASIST to reduce/prevent suicide, which is closely correlated with substance abuse. During the 2020-21 school year the district anticipates serving 2,398 students through ATF supported programs.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** In SY 2019, 1,930 Johnson County residents were served. 1,740 students who participated in AlcoholEdu demonstrated an average knowledge increase of 33% based on pre and post-assessment. 39 alcohol/drug assessments were provided to students leading to counseling sessions and other interventions. During the first semester of SY 2020, the district provided fewer assessments for vaping and attributes reduced need to several interventions including an evening session for parents, anti-vaping clubs, student vaping summit, and increasing negative consequences for vape use. The district's 2019 CTC Survey showed progress in decreasing students' binge drinking and use of e-cigarettes (vaping).

### **Shawnee Mission School District**

**Request: \$0\***

**Recommendation: \$0\***

The Shawnee Mission School District is not requesting new funds for ATF programming in 2021; the district will utilize its carry over of **\$10,500\*** from savings in cost reduction of AlcoholEdu in 2019 to implement a new evidence-based program *Signs of Suicide* in eleven secondary schools and continue implementation of AlcoholEdu at the high school level. *Signs of Suicide* is an evidence-based program that fulfills KSA Sec. 79-41a04 as alcohol and drug use are recognized as contributing factors to some suicide attempts and completions. According to a 2018 report by the Kansas Health Institute, suicide is the second leading cause of death among 15- to 24-year-olds and alcohol and/or drug use are often complicating or contributing factors to suicide attempts and completions.

**Results Projected:** Students will increase knowledge about alcohol and be prepared to avoid riding in a vehicle with someone who has been drinking; stop a friend from driving drunk; resist social pressure to drink alcohol; and establish a plan to make responsible decision about drinking. *Signs of Suicide* training and programming will be implemented in all middle and high schools, reducing occurrence of suicide attempts and completions, reducing the stigma of seeking treatment, and increasing self-help seeking or seeking treatment for others. The district anticipates serving 1,395 Johnson County residents through AlcoholEdu and 12,000 students through *Signs of Suicide*.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** The district served 1,787 students through AlcoholEdu in School Year 2019. Students participating in AlcoholEdu showed an average increase of 26% of knowledge gained based on pre and post-tests; the greatest gain was in the "future ready" category, which indicates that students recognize dangerous situations and resisting social pressure. The number of discipline incidents involving alcohol decreased by nearly half in SY 2019 from SY 2018 (from 36 to 18 incidents), but the number of incidents involving tobacco and vaping increased (from 163 in SY 2018 to 367 in SY 2019).

### **Spring Hill School District**

**Request: \$16,060**

**Recommendation: \$14,141**

The DAC recommends the Spring Hill School District be awarded \$14,141 to support two evidence-based programs: *Project Alert* (7<sup>th</sup> grade) and *Peer Assistance and Leadership* (PAL – high school). Funding also includes support of *Students Against Destructive Decisions* (SADD – high school), and partial funding for the district’s Mental Health Clinical Social Worker who provides support to students in grades 6-12. In the 2020-21 school year, the district will participate in the CTC survey.

**Results Projected:** Upon return from the PAL retreat, students will be better equipped to talk with their peers about teen issues; monthly surveys will track the impact of PAL. SADD sponsors will collect student data on the impact of SADD programs. Pre and post-surveys will be used to determine impact of Project Alert. Project Alert is designed to help motivate youth to avoid using drugs and to teach them skills needed to understand and resist pro-drug social influences. The Mental Health Social Worker will provide data to the Director of Special Services regarding each of the student participants and how meeting with the Social Worker impacted them. The Social Worker will continue to have a positive impact on students’ lives. During the 2020-21 school year the district anticipates serving 2,700 individuals through ATF supported programs.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During SY 2019, 183 adults and 2,486 youth were served. In SY 2019, assessments of students taking AlcoholEdu indicated an average student knowledge increase of 31%. PALS students received training about how to handle tough situations, including peer pressure to use drugs and alcohol. PALS worked with over 525 students and reported alcohol and drug use are a high concern. During SY 2019, the Social Worker met with 30 students who were dealing with substance abuse issues (themselves, family members or both). When appropriate, students were referred to outside therapy to further reduce their risk of future substance abuse, or to counseling or treatment for substance abuse or dual diagnosis.

*Note: Gardner Edgerton School District has not applied for ATF funding since 2015, but has access to AlcoholEdu through Johnson County Mental Health Prevention Services.*

### **Community-Based Programs**

#### **Artists Helping the Homeless**

**Request: \$35,000**

**Recommendation: \$28,281**

The DAC recommends Artists Helping the Homeless (AHH) be awarded \$28,281 for implementation of *Be The Change*, the organization’s primary program which helps individuals experiencing homelessness to access services and address underlying conditions. ATF supports services for individuals who are dealing with substance abuse issues and identify as Johnson County residents or are experiencing homelessness in the county (referred by Johnson County sources). Funds pay for staff who assess an individual’s needs and advocate, transport, and provide follow-up as client progresses from agency to agency. ATF support also funds services, direct assistance, and housing to facilitate recovery/reintegration. Sober living housing is available through AHH’s Bodhi House and Finnegan Place. Referrals to AHH come from hospitals, homeless and recovery agencies, law enforcement including New Century Detention, JoCo Mental Health including Detox, state mental

health and aging services, and qualifying individuals. The program utilizes “Housing First,” Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC), and Strengths-Based Approach.

**Results Projected:** AHH will assess, place in services and assist 160 Johnson County individuals who have issues with substance abuse, and who would otherwise be discharged from services, leading to homelessness and likely relapse. AHH will provide extensive care coordination services to 25 individuals, with 80% remaining sober and 90% obtaining full-time employment and/or school; these clients are typically alienated young adults who would likely fall back into the treatment-relapse-homeless cycle. AHH participants will successfully reintegrate into society and remain clean/sober as demonstrated by no new interactions with law enforcement and emergency room visits only for medical emergencies. Overall service numbers for 2021 are projected to be lower than 2020 due to reduced referrals during the global pandemic.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** AHH provided housing and other intervention and recovery services to 195 Johnson County individuals who were dealing with substance abuse and experiencing homelessness. Fewer individuals were served in 2019 than AHH had anticipated, however units of service per individual increased. AHH attributes this to clients who face more complex challenges, leading AHH to provide a wider array of services over a longer period. Clients reported substantial reduction in use of substances, interaction with law enforcement (none for residents) and hospital admissions. 81% of residents reported continuing sobriety in residence, borne out by a 97% clean urinalysis rate for residents in random screenings. At year end, 70% of residents were employed and 88% in better health, reducing emergency room utilization dramatically. AHH exceeded its goal of an 85% retention/successful discharge rate for clients who participated in the reintegration program.

### **Boys and Girls Club**

**Request: \$15,000**

**Recommendation: \$14,141**

The DAC recommends the Boys and Girls Club be awarded \$14,141 for implementation of *SMART Moves (Skill Mastery and Resistance Training)* at the Boys and Girls Club in Olathe. *SMART Moves* teaches Olathe club members (ages 5-18) to recognize and resist media and peer pressure to engage in tobacco/alcohol/drug use, and other risky behavior. Olathe School District provides transportation to the Club from Central Elementary, Oregon Trail Middle School, Washington Elementary, and Olathe North High School.

**Results Projected:** The overall objective is to prevent or delay the onset of alcohol and drug use. Program participants will demonstrate an increase in knowledge of the dangers of alcohol and drug use, and the use of tools and strategies to resist peer pressure and media influence. Youth will self-report abstinence from alcohol and drug use. The organization anticipates serving 370 Olathe youth during 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 348 youth were served. As indicated by pre and post-tests, 95% of program participants demonstrated an increase in knowledge of the dangers of alcohol and drug use. 95% also increased their knowledge of the use of tools and strategies to resist peer pressure and media influence, and also demonstrated an increase in knowledge about how to resolve conflict non-violently.

### **Cornerstones of Care**

**Request: \$75,000****Recommendation: \$70,703**

The DAC recommends Cornerstones of Care be awarded \$70,703 for the implementation of Functional Family Therapy (FFT), an evidence-based in-home family intervention program which addresses a variety of problems facing at-risk youth and their families. ATF supports FFT for Johnson County youth who have an identified problem with substance abuse (identified by family or referral source such as the Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center, Court Services, District Court and the Johnson County Department of Corrections).

**Results Projected:** Following the completion of *Functional Family Therapy*, families will report improved family relationships (reduced levels of conflict and improved communication), and youth will demonstrate a decrease in delinquent behavior (not be adjudicated on a violation of the law or charges related to drugs and/or alcohol). During 2021 Cornerstones anticipates serving 95 Johnson County residents whose problems are related to substance abuse.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 97 individuals were served. Following each family's completion of *Functional Family Therapy*, all the youth and their parents who completing the Client Outcome Measure reported improved family relationships (reduced levels of conflict and improved communication). 89.5% of youth who completed *Functional Family Therapy* during 2019 had no subsequent charges related to drugs and/or alcohol from the Johnson County Office of District Attorney.

**First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery****Request: \$68,000****Recommendation: \$64,105**

The DAC recommends First Call be awarded \$64,105 to deliver Family Prevention Services in over a dozen Johnson County sites, and to Johnson County residents at First Call. Services include the *How to Cope* program; *Caring for Kids* program for Rushton Elementary and Hocker Grove Middle School; sobriety groups with Olathe South High School and Blue Valley Schools; *Life Skills Training* with Olathe High Schools, Olathe Schools Project Hope, and three Shawnee Mission District elementary schools and one middle school; and *Prevention Education* through local schools and community events. The *How to Cope* program helps adult family members who are living with someone who has a substance use disorder. Children and adolescents in the *Caring for Kids* program attend psycho-educational groups which teach them about the effects of substance abuse disorder in the family and help them to regain a healthy lifestyle. ATF support is also recommended for First Call's education presentations which reach school-aged youth and the general community.

**Results Projected:** The overall goal is that participants lead safe, healthy lives and avoid substance use, misuse and addiction. Participants in *How to Cope*, *Caring for Kids*, and prevention/education presentations will increase their knowledge of the harmful effects of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Participants in the *Caring for Kids* and *How to Cope* will complete a plan of action to promote healthy relationships and resistance to abusing substances. Participants in *Life Skills Training* will demonstrate positive change in knowledge and attitudes related to alcohol, tobacco, drugs and protective life skills. Participants in *Say It Straight* and Sobriety Group will engage in and contribute to group activities. First Call anticipates serving 1,265 Johnson County residents during 2021; this reduction is due to restrictions in providing services in schools and in large trainings due to the global pandemic. First Call is providing virtual trainings in 2020 and will continue to do so in 2021.



**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 1,469 individuals were served. Nearly 96% of surveyed participants in *How to Cope* increased their knowledge of the harmful impact of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Nearly 91% of participants in *Caring for Kids* who completed the course also reported increased knowledge. Students demonstrated a 12% increase in knowledge gained through *Life Skills Training* related to protective life skills and the harmful effects of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.

### **Heartland Regional Alcohol & Drug Assessment Center (RADAC)**

**Request: \$159,734**

**Recommendation: \$150,583**

The DAC recommends that Heartland RADAC be awarded \$150,583 to support its recovery coaching, intensive case management (ICM), and care coordination for Johnson County individuals who have co-occurring substance use disorders and mental health issues, experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness, and needing treatment or treatment-related services. Recovery coaching helps clients engage in the recovery community and is provided in conjunction with case management and care coordination services. The program also purchases services and items needed to secure safe housing, access treatment, promote recovery, and eliminate barriers to success. When clinically appropriate, HRADAC assists clients in accessing Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).

**Results Projected:** When clients begin ICM typically they are experiencing homelessness and untreated mental health and substance abuse issues. Therefore, results focus on accessing services and maintaining conditions in three areas of improvement – housing, substance use, and mental health services. Housing includes accessing safe temporary, transitional, permanent, or permanent supportive housing. Substance use includes engaging in treatment, recovery groups, and Recovery Oriented Systems of Care with a Recovery Coach. Mental health services focus is on accessing services. During 2021 Heartland RADAC anticipates serving 100 Johnson County clients.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, HRADAC served 134 Johnson County residents. 78% obtained permanent or transitional housing and 96% of ICM clients engaged in recovery activities after initiating ICM services. Recovery activities included engaging in substance abuse treatment (72%), accessing 12-Step or other recovery support groups (75%), and utilizing *Recovery Oriented Systems of Care* with a recovery coach (77%). Additionally, 26 individuals accessed MAT. Of the ICM clients who had a mental health diagnosis, 80% accessed mental health services after they began ICM, a 32% increase over those accessing services prior to entry.

### **Johnson County District Attorney's Office (previously Court Services): Juvenile Drug Court, Minor-In-Possession, Drug and Alcohol Diversion Programs**

**Request: \$182,000**

**Recommendation: \$150,834**

The DAC recommends Johnson County Court Services be awarded \$150,834, which represents level funding from 2020 less the ~6% decrease. ATF will support the salary and benefits of two Court Service Officers who supervise clients in the Juvenile Drug Court, the Minor-In-Possession (MIP) program, and other clients who have drug/alcohol contract cases. An increase was requested for the Officers' increase in benefit costs, cost of living adjustments, and performance increases. Given limited ATF resources, the full request is not recommended for funding; this is not a reflection on the Officers' quality of work or the program. The Juvenile Drug Court targets first-time offenders applying for diversion who present with serious drug and/or alcohol issues. The MIP program is a

non-Court resolution of a police report when a juvenile has been in possession of alcohol. Both programs increase youths' motivation to remain drug/alcohol free. Drug and Alcohol contract cases are an Immediate Intervention with offenders who have a drug and/or alcohol problem that requires education, intervention, and/or completing random drug screens in addition to the requirements of the standard contract and do not qualify for drug court or the MIP program.

**Results Projected:** Youth will remain drug free and crime free. Youth will increase involvement in pro-social activities and improve their school grades. Parents will rate their child's compliance as increasing. During 2021, Court Services anticipates serving 654 Johnson County youth.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 533 youth were served. Increase in motivation to remain drug free was measured by improvement in school grades, involvement in pro-social activities, drug screens and parental feedback. The average semester GPA of a Drug Court client at the start of Drug Court was 2.8, and at the completion of Drug Court, the average semester GPA was 3.1. Surveys completed by parents indicated youths' increase in motivation in treatment and following court orders, and improved family relationships. 83% of youths' drug screens were negative for all substances and 42 youth received incentives (\$10 gift card) for achieving milestones, such as 90 days of clean drug screens and improved grades.

#### **Johnson County Department of Corrections: Voucher Assistance**

**Request: \$3,550\***

**Recommendation: \$3,347\***

The DAC recommends the Department of Corrections be awarded \$3,347, which in addition to the \$8,450 in ATF funds carried over from 2020, provides a total of \$11,897\* for the Voucher Assistance program. This program supports substance use disorder evaluations and treatment for adult offenders who face financial barriers to obtaining those services. Voucher assistance will be provided to adults in the Adult Residential Center (ARC), and adults who are under Intensive Supervised Probation, House Arrest, or Bond Supervision. Evaluation and treatment services will be provided by providers who maintain licensure pursuant to the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board and who have demonstrated success in keeping clients engaged.

**Results Projected:** Adults who receive vouchers will obtain an evaluation within 30 days and initiate recommended treatment within 60 days post evaluation, and successfully complete treatment. Corrections anticipates serving 40 Johnson County clients during 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 58 individuals were served through 78 vouchers for services. 42% of vouchers were for evaluation and 58% for treatment. 94% of those referred for evaluation received it within 30 days. During 2019, 43 individuals became actively engaged in treatment: 13 individuals were pending completion at the end of 2019, 25 had successfully completed treatment, and 5 were unsuccessfully released from treatment.

#### **Johnson County Department of Corrections: Changing Lives Through Literature**

**Request: \$0\***

**Recommendation: \$0\***

The DAC recommends the Department of Corrections continue the *Changing Lives Through Literature* program (CLTL) utilizing the \$5,753.86\* in carryover funding from 2020, as the applicant requests. This alternative intervention program targets moderate risk criminal defendants. Participants are under court-ordered supervision or contracts of diversion, and typically have

histories of drug and/or alcohol use (70% of those referred to program in first six months of 2020). For those on diversion, a criminal conviction is likely averted with completion of CLTL and meeting other diversion conditions. The program uses literature, the majority of which addresses themes of substance abuse, to impact the lives of clients through reading and group discussion. The program is free of charge and offered outside of traditional work hours. CLTL participants, judges, and probation officers read literature and participate in facilitated discussion which promote self-reflection and behavioral change.

**Results Projected:** Participants will successfully complete the program and not be arrested for new charges or show evidence of drug or alcohol use. Corrections anticipates serving 32 Johnson County participants during 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 38 individuals participated in the program with 32 completing the program. 97% of participants had no new known arrests, as tracked by Department of Corrections. 81% of participants in the program tested negative for alcohol or drug use as screened by Department of Corrections.

### **Johnson County Mental Health Center, Prevention Services**

**Request: \$187,000**

**Recommendation: \$168,274**

The DAC recommends Prevention Services be awarded \$168,274 in ATF funds to support the cost of AlcoholEdu for all school districts and schools, public and private, in Johnson County as well as staff (1.5 FTE) who provide prevention services in three areas: youth mobilization, education and training, and community engagement; and, other expenses associated with the Youth Leadership Summit and the *End the Trend* Campaign (use of social media for public service announcements about vaping). During the annual Youth Leadership Summit middle school and high school student leaders are trained on effective prevention strategies and action planning for implementation of those strategies. Action plans created at the Summit focus on adolescent problem behaviors prioritized by each school. Prevention Services consults with school districts, facilitates the Prevention Roundtable, and provides training and technical assistance to cohorts of Strengthening Families, an evidence-based prevention program for high-risk families.

**Results Projected:** Youth Leadership Summit and Teen Task Force student participants will increase their knowledge of effective prevention strategies for impacting adolescent problem behaviors and increase confidence in their abilities to implement strategies. Teen Task Force members will contribute towards planning and implementing strategies and initiatives related to drug and alcohol prevention. Participants in *Strengthening Families* will indicate an increase in knowledge and confidence. *End the Trend* will earn 100,000 impressions across social media platforms. Participants in the school Prevention Roundtable will indicate an increased level of knowledge and confidence. Technical assistance to school districts will help increase the participation rate of students taking the CTC survey. Students who use AlcoholEdu will increase their knowledge across all program modules. During 2021, Prevention Services anticipates serving 2,540 Johnson County residents.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** Nearly 98% of middle school and 87% of high school students who attended the August Youth Leadership Summit indicated an increased level of knowledge and confidence in their abilities. Participants included over 147 youth leaders and 48 advisors from 28 schools in Johnson County. As result of Summit, approximately 56 project activities were planned.

The School Prevention Roundtable held 13 meetings and trainings to enhance school best practices in prevention; 100% of surveyed participants applied new knowledge in the school setting and found the Roundtable beneficial to their work within the school. Through the Roundtable and Greenbush (the Southeast Kansas Education Service Center), technical assistance was provided to districts that helped increase the participation rate of students taking the CTC survey from 36.8% in 2018 to 48.2% in 2019. 87% of participants in the *Strengthening Families* cohorts indicated an increase in knowledge and confidence and the *End the Trend* campaign received nearly 120,000 impressions across Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat.

### **Safehome**

**Request: \$24,473\***

**Recommendation: \$23,071\***

The DAC recommends Safehome be awarded \$23,071 to continue its substance abuse support program for shelter residents. Combined with Safehome's carryover of \$3,142, this will result in a 2021 ATF budget of **\$26,213.\*** The program includes on-site substance abuse assessment (informal and SASSI-4, if applicable), education, in-depth assessment as needed, clinical therapy sessions that address substance abuse issues, and referrals as needed to intervention or treatment programs, with help making connection to services. ATF dollars support a portion of salary and benefits for the Adult Shelter Therapist who spends approximately 30% of his time on completing assessments and making referrals to community partners, supplies, assistance to clients (such as transportation vouchers for travel to treatment), drug testing, bio waste disposal, and professional training.

**Results Projected:** Individuals will be assessed for substance abuse utilizing SASSI-4 and will identify maladaptive behavior patterns and demonstrate increased knowledge of the role of addiction in domestic violence. The Adult Shelter Therapist will help substance abusers identify healthy coping strategies which they can implement in place of unhealthy coping strategies. The organization anticipates serving 125 individuals during 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** All clients who were identified as abusing substances received two referrals to substance abuse services. Of tracked clients, 96% reported following through with referral; of those, 89% reported the referral was helpful. In response to Safehome's questionnaire, 95% of clients indicated they felt supported by Safehome therapists and 84% indicated the therapist helped them identify at least three healthy coping strategies.

### **The Family Conservancy**

**Request: \$40,000**

**Recommendation: \$37,709**

The DAC recommends the Family Conservancy be awarded \$37,709 for two programs: Substance Use Screening and Education and implementation of *Conscious Discipline* programming in four Johnson County childcare centers that serve families living at or below the Federal Poverty Level. Those who screen positive for substance misuse receive substance use education as needed and are referred to community resources when appropriate. *Conscious Discipline* is an evidence-based self-regulation program that integrates social-emotional learning and discipline, fostering healthy development to prevent future risk of substance abuse.

**Results Projected:** Clients in counseling programs will successfully complete their treatment plan and report increased knowledge of harmful effects of misuse of substances. Clients who report they have a family member with substance misuse problems will report improved knowledge or experience attitude changes to support family health. Parents and teachers completing the

*Conscious Discipline* program will maintain or show an increase in four of the seven “Powers/Beliefs” which Conscious Discipline utilizes to help teach self-regulation (override impulsive and reactive tendencies), and which results in positive child guidance and responsiveness to needs of child. Further, parents and teachers will use multiple applications of the strategies they learn. During 2021 the agency anticipates serving 643 Johnson County residents.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** In 2019, Family Conservancy served 221 adults and 257 children in Johnson County; 99% of clients, who reported a family member with substance misuse problems, increased knowledge or experienced an attitude change that supported the family’s health. 98% of clients reporting a substance misuse concern increased their knowledge of the harmful effects of substance abuse. Of all closed cases, 88% indicated successful completion of their counseling treatment plan. 94% of participating parents and teachers demonstrated an increase in positive child guidance mindset after training in Conscious Discipline. 82% showed improvement in at least four of the seven Powers/Beliefs (perception, attention, unity, free will, acceptance, love and intention), and 85% indicated successful utilization of strategies learned.

### **Treatment and Recovery**

*Alcohol Tax Funds are recommended to support nine treatment and recovery programs delivered by community-based organizations and Johnson County Mental Health Center. In general, treatment programs help to reduce substance abuse, lead to positive individual change and productivity, reduce mental and physical healthcare costs, improve public safety, and reduce law enforcement and court costs. Funding recommendations are based upon a review of each proposal and consider type of programming, outcome data, and accountability.*

#### **Friends of Recovery Association**

**Request: \$75,000**

**Recommendation: \$56,563**

The DAC recommends that Friends of Recovery (FORA) be awarded \$56,563, level funding with 2020 less the ~6 decrease, for its program which serves individuals seeking to sustain their recovery from substance abuse while living in Oxford Houses. Oxford Houses are self-sustaining, democratically run, transitional homes. Participants include adults who are experiencing homelessness or in danger of homelessness, individuals with mental health challenges, and adults recently released from incarceration. FORA’s program includes case management (education, mediation, mentorship, crisis intervention and advocacy) which is intended to reduce effects of trauma, including PTSD, among substance using individuals. FORA utilizes a peer mentorship model (alumni or current residents) to help newly-recovering residents. In the last four years, Friends of Recovery has opened 12 additional Oxford Houses in Johnson County for a total of 40 Oxford Houses in Johnson County.

**Results Projected:** Two new houses will be opened in Johnson County, which will result in more individuals being served. The number of individuals leaving the houses in good standing will increase; more residents will be employed, and fewer will relapse. FORA will continue to train all houses on the use of Narcan and have it available within each house. During 2021 FORA anticipates serving approximately 743 Johnson County participants.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 801 adults were served and two new houses, including one for men with children, were opened. In 2019, FORA developed a questionnaire

regarding past use of opioids and learned that 50% of residents had used opiates; approximately half of these respondents had spent over a year in recovery and the other half less than a year in recovery. Oxford House performed Narcan trainings with over 250 members and alumni and trained all of its Johnson County houses in the use of Narcan in preventing an overdose. FORA is working to secure donations of Narcan to ensure every Johnson County house has it available; currently one-third of houses are equipped with it.

### **Johnson County Mental Health Center, Adolescent Center for Treatment (ACT)**

**Request: \$253,510**

**Recommendation: \$238,648**

The DAC recommends \$238,648 in funding for Johnson County Mental Health Center's Adolescent Center for Treatment (ACT); ACT's funding request is \$67,873 lower than in 2020. In 2020, Johnson County Mental Health moved to a new location, resulting in a reduction in beds from 21 to 10 in this program. ACT has also shifted its new (in 2020) outpatient program for adolescents to its Dual Diagnosis program, along with the \$67,873 in funding allocated for adolescent outpatient treatment. ATF support is recommended for the 10-bed residential treatment program for youth ages 12-18. The ACT is the only specialized youth residential program for treatment of substance use disorders in the state of Kansas. Most residential patients are court-ordered; some are from the foster care system. ACT offers a sliding fee scale to ensure that no clients are turned away due to financial reasons. At the request of juvenile court judges, ACT conducts screenings of incarcerated youth for residential treatment.

**Results Projected:** Clients remain in treatment for a minimum therapeutic length of stay and receive a "successful completion" upon discharge. On discharge surveys, clients will rate the program favorably in areas of program quality and staff performance. During 2021 ACT anticipates serving 37 Johnson County youth in the residential program.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 32 Johnson County youth were served. 78% of clients admitted to ACT remained in treatment for the minimum therapeutic length of stay (21 days for first-time admissions and 14 days for re-admissions). On client satisfaction surveys at discharge, the program received an average rating of 4 on a 5-point scale point (rates program quality and staff performance). 79% of clients successfully completed treatment.

### **Johnson County Mental Health Center, Adult Detoxification Unit (ADU)**

**Request: \$289,922**

**Recommendation: \$273,314**

The DAC recommends the Johnson County Mental Health Center Adult Detoxification Unit be awarded \$273,314. In 2020, Johnson County Mental Health moved to a new location, resulting in a reduction in beds from 14 to 10 in this program. The Adult Detox Unit is a social detoxification center which delivers services at no cost to adult Kansas residents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Admissions primarily come through hospitals and law enforcement. The ADU is the only social detoxification program located in Johnson County and is a cost-effective alternative to hospital emergency rooms or incarceration.

**Results Projected:** Clients will successfully complete detoxification as evidenced by remaining in detox until staff recommend discharge. Clients who successfully complete detox will have a written discharge plan documenting a referral for ongoing services. At time of discharge, clients will rate the program favorably in areas of program quality and staff performance. Due to loss of residential

beds and the necessity for single occupancy due to COVID-19 restrictions, during 2020 the Mental Health Center ADU anticipates serving 236 clients from Johnson County.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 425 adults were served. 80% of clients remained in detox until staff recommended discharge. Of all clients, not just those who successfully completed detox, 83% had a written discharge plan that documented a referral for ongoing services. For clients who left without personalized discharge instructions, ADU provided standard discharge instructions. On satisfaction surveys regarding program quality and staff performance, the average rating was 4.7 on a 5-point scale.

### **Johnson County Mental Health Center, Dual Diagnosis Outpatient Program**

**Request: \$232,863**

**Recommendation: \$219,523**

Johnson County Mental Health Center's Dual Diagnosis Outpatient Program requested the \$67,873 in funding for the (new in 2020) adolescent outpatient program be shifted from ACT's residential program budget to this outpatient program budget. Accordingly, the DAC recommends that the Dual Diagnosis Outpatient Program be awarded a total of \$219,253. ATF funding supports integrated outpatient treatment to juveniles and adults who have co-occurring substance use disorders and mental health disorders, allows for a continuum of care for adolescents stepping up or down from ACT, and provides Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) on a limited basis for clients who are appropriate for this treatment, but have no means to pay for it. The Dual Diagnosis program uses a sliding fee scale to assure access.

**Results Projected:** Adult Outpatient: Clients with dual diagnosis will remain alcohol/drug free while participating in the program. Clients will complete at least eight hours of treatment before discharge (excluding "evaluation only" individuals). Clients will not engage in new criminal activity while participating in the program. Adolescent Outpatient: Clients admitted to the outpatient program will remain in treatment for at least six sessions, and youth discharged from the outpatient program will remain drug/alcohol free during past 30 days. In 2021, 684 Johnson County residents are anticipated to be served through the Dual Diagnosis program.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 508 Johnson County residents were served. 86% of clients remained alcohol/drug free while participating in the program; 60% of all clients completed at least eight hours of treatment before discharge; and 99% of clients did not incur new legal charges while participating in treatment.

### **KidsTLC**

**Request: \$47,714**

**Recommendation: \$44,981**

KidsTLC is licensed by the State of Kansas as a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF). The DAC recommends KidsTLC be awarded \$44,981 to support substance abuse screening/assessment, evaluation, prevention/education, and clinical treatment for youth ages 13-18 (and younger youth as needed) who reside within the agency's PRTF. Clinical treatment is provided to youth who are dually diagnosed with substance use disorder and mental health issues. The evidence-based *Seeking Safety* curriculum is utilized in treatment. Through ATF funding, KidsTLC has added Eye Motion Desensitization Reprocessing (EMDR) to its clinical services to support clients in addressing trauma that may trigger substance abuse. Relapse prevention sessions are provided to PRTF residents who are maintaining sobriety. Prevention education, which utilizes the evidence-based program *Positive Action*, is provided to all youth in the PRTF.

**Results Projected:** Youth will remain abstinent from drugs and alcohol during their treatment (evidenced by a urinalysis after youth returns from a pass outside the PRTF). Youth will feel they have sufficient access to substance abuse services and supports. At discharge youth will report overall improvement due to services received, and an increase in hopefulness and functioning. The program will help sustain the youth's recovery and provide linkages to community support. During 2021 the agency projects serving 47 Johnson County youth.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 46 Johnson County youth were served. At discharge youth reported overall improvement due to services received. Indicators of this outcome were: 83% of youth were "somewhat" or "very confident that things will improve in their life regarding substance abuse"; 91% reported an improved outlook at time of discharge, compared to admission; and, 79% of youth assessed at the Relapse Prevention and the Seek Safety substance abuse level self-reported maintenance or a decrease in problem severity between admission and discharge. At discharge, 96% of youth receiving *Seeking Safety* services remained abstinent, as determined by urinalysis after returning from a pass outside with parent/guardian.

#### **KVC Behavioral HealthCare**

**Request: \$70,000**

**Recommendation: \$32,995**

The DAC recommends KVC Behavioral HealthCare be awarded \$32,995 for Family Substance Abuse Recovery Services, level funding with 2020 less the ~6% decrease. This program serves Johnson County families who have had children removed to foster care and have been assessed by a KVC case manager or therapist; or, are referred by Kansas Department of Children and Families (DCF). During the family assessment, family members are screened for indication of substance abuse. If indicated, a referral is made to KVC's Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC) for the KS Client Placement Criteria (KCPC) to be administered. If need for treatment is determined as result of the KCPC, KVC provides outpatient in-home treatment for families willing to participate. Other options include referring families to local support groups and in-patient therapy.

**Results Projected:** Outpatient services will be provided in-home and families/individuals will report an increase in striving to improve family stability through lifestyle changes. Clients will complete intake within 10 days of being referred and assigned to a KVC LAC. KVC will assess participants after completion to monitor their ongoing success in maintaining the outcome goals that were originally established. KVC anticipates serving 70 Johnson County adults in 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 38 adults and 11 youth were served. All families were contacted and offered an intake appointment within 10 days of the referral. All the outpatient services and treatment sessions were completed in the clients' home. After their last appointment, clients engaged in KVC's substance use disorder treatment program were asked to respond to a survey that included the AWARE assessment, an evidence-based tool evaluating risk factors connected to relapse and probability of relapse. All KVC clients who took the assessment fell in the 11% average range. Having a low probability of relapse indicates family and support connections and overall higher levels of stability and quality of life. According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (2018), relapse rates for substance-use disorders is approximately 40-60%.

#### **Lorraine's House**

**Request: \$25,000**

**Recommendation: \$18,854**



The DAC recommends Lorraine's House be awarded \$18,854. Lorraine's House is a structured transitional living program for women recovering from addiction. Founded in 2016, Lorraine's House is comprised of two homes located in Johnson County and serves women who are transitioning from residential treatment, incarceration, unhealthy living environments or detox. Lorraine's House is considered a non-therapeutic milieu. Residents are expected to follow house rules, pay rent, be employed (or actively seeking employment), remain abstinent, and participate in recovery-oriented groups. Referral sources include Heartland Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Center, Johnson County Mental Health, hospitals, crisis centers, prison ministries, and former residents.

**Results Projected:** Clients achieve their goal of living a sober, self-sufficient life in recovery. Results include stable housing, attendance in a community-based support group (positive social connectedness), and sustained employment. In 2020, Lorraine's House had to close a third house and return to two houses; it hopes to add a third house again in 2021. Lorraine's House anticipates serving 64 Johnson County residents in 2021.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 82 Johnson County adults were served. Stable housing and employment are key factors in support of recovery. 80% of residents were in compliance with requirements to attend at least three recovery-oriented meetings weekly and 90% were employed (10% disabled or retired). 71% of residents successfully completed the program as reflected by their maintaining sobriety and employment and leaving the program self-supporting.

#### **Mirror, Inc.**

**Request: \$191,000**

**Recommendation: \$165,918**

The DAC recommends Mirror be awarded \$165,918, level funding with 2020 less the ~6% decrease, to support its residential treatment component for Johnson County adults with co-occurring disorders. Located in Shawnee, this program addresses the needs of clients who fall below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level and cannot access services in a timely manner due to limited state block grant funding. Mirror's 34-bed facility is the only residential program located in Johnson County that serves this population.

**Results Projected:** The goal of the program is to provide quicker access to treatment services for Johnson County residents who have no resources to pay for treatment and to aid them in accessing support services after treatment completion and discharge. Results include reduced time on Mirror's wait list for Johnson County clients as compared to the average wait time for Block Grant funded clients. Discharged clients will remain in compliance with all discharge recommendations, such as continued mental health care, substance abuse aftercare, stable housing and use of support systems, 30 days following treatment. Client confidence level in handling high risk situations that could lead to substance use will increase from the time of admission to discharge. During 2021 Mirror anticipates serving 171 Johnson County residents with its ATF grant.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 128 Johnson County adults were served. Of clients who were discharged, 73% were compliant with discharge recommendations. Based upon self-reporting, clients' confidence level in handling high risk situations that could lead to substance use increased from 53% at admission to 82% at discharge. The cumulative average that clients entering the co-occurring disorder (COD) program spent on a waiting list was 12.5 days, compared to an average wait list time of 57 days for clients funded by the state block grant. Mirror's experience is

that the longer a person waits for treatment, the more likely they are not to follow through with the treatment when an opening is available.

**Preferred Family Healthcare, Inc.**

**Request: \$120,000**

**Recommendation: \$113,126**

The DAC recommends Preferred Family Healthcare (PFH) be awarded \$113,126. ATF supports the delivery of outpatient substance abuse treatment and treatment for co-occurring disorders of substance abuse and mental health disorders to Johnson County residents with limited or no resources to pay for services (e.g. uninsured, indigent and low-income residents). PFH operates multiple facilities in multiple states, including a Level I Outpatient Treatment and Level II Intensive Outpatient Treatment center in Olathe providing assessment, individual and group counseling, and drug testing. Treatment interventions include Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, Motivational Enhancement Therapy and Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy. PFH offers services on an income-based sliding fee scale. With approval of the clinical supervisor, individuals with extenuating circumstances who are unable to pay the fee based upon the sliding scale, are not assessed any fees, except for drug/alcohol testing. During 2021 PFH projects serving 439 Johnson County residents.

**Results Projected:** Clients will successfully complete treatment. Clients who are not disabled or retired will obtain or maintain employment or involvement in educational activities. Clients will have no arrests while in treatment. Clients who are in treatment will remain abstinent from substance use. Clients will obtain and/or maintain housing.

**Outcomes Achieved During 2019:** During 2019, 604 individuals were served, 518 of which are Johnson County residents. 83% of clients randomly tested while in treatment tested negative for substance use. 91% of clients who were not disabled or retired reported they were employed or involved in educational activities. 81% of clients successfully completed treatment. During the first half of 2019, 18% of clients paid no fee; in the second half, 26% paid no fee for services.

**2021 Alcohol Tax Fund  
Participating Jurisdictions**

<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Johnson County Government	\$140,667
City of Gardner	\$19,200
City of Leawood	\$200,000
City of Lenexa	\$135,000
City of Merriam	\$20,000
City of Mission	\$50,000
City of Olathe	\$215,000
City of Overland Park	\$1,118,000
City of Prairie Village	\$40,000
City of Shawnee	\$86,353
<b>Total Alcohol Tax Fund</b>	<b>\$2,024,220</b>

**The recommended grant awards represent the maximum ATF award for the calendar year and are based upon an estimate from local jurisdictions of local liquor tax revenue. Awards will only be made if jurisdictions receive adequate revenue. Actual dollars disbursed are dependent upon local liquor tax revenue received by participating jurisdictions. Neither United Community Services (UCS) nor the Drug and Alcoholism Council is responsible for a reduction in ATF fund awards payable by participating jurisdictions.**

**APPENDIX A**  
**DRUG & ALCOHOLISM COUNCIL of JOHNSON COUNTY FUNDING PRIORITIES**

**ATF Funding Priorities 2021**

By legislative mandate, ATF dollars must be used to fund programs “whose principal purpose is alcoholism and drug abuse prevention and education, alcohol and drug detoxification, intervention in alcohol and drug abuse or treatment of persons who are alcoholics or drug abusers or are in danger of becoming alcoholics or drug abusers.” KSA §79-41a04 (as amended).

For the purpose of the ATF application, these programs are generally defined as follows:

- Education and Prevention programs are designed to promote awareness and self-efficacy, and provide information, activities, and skill building to prevent problems with, or addiction to, alcohol and/or drugs.
- Intervention programs are designed to interrupt alcohol and/or drug use, and may include activities applied during early stages of drug use which encompass preventing the transition from drug use to abuse.
- Substance Abuse Treatment programs are licensed by the State of Kansas to provide substance use disorder treatment services and are designed to assist clients with stopping use of alcohol and drugs and avoiding relapse.

*Numbering of priorities does not indicate one is more important than another.*

Overall priority is given to:

1. Programs that target populations who are at-risk for substance use or abuse such as individuals who have mental health issues, individuals who are homeless and/or have other co-occurring issues, and individuals involved in the child welfare or criminal justice system.
2. Programs that address barriers to service including hours of operation, transportation, lack of care for children of parents seeking services, and physical location.
3. If fees are charged for services, there are accommodations for those clients with no ability, or limited ability, to pay the fees (such as a sliding fee scale based upon income).
4. Programs that demonstrate competency in addressing language and cultural barriers, and provide bilingual services in high demand languages, such as Spanish.
5. Programs that provide services to meet a current community need (defined through indicator data or *Kansas Communities That Care* survey trends).
6. Programs that demonstrate an awareness of the role of trauma in prevention and treatment of substance use and utilize a trauma informed care approach in delivery of services.
7. Programs that are evidence-based or reflect a best or promising practice, and include measures to ensure fidelity.
8. Programs that utilize measurable outcome data to improve service delivery.
9. Strategies and services that involve families, parents, guardians, and/or other support systems.
10. Programs that demonstrate through service delivery, competency in addressing the interrelationship between substance use/abuse and other risk factors as defined above in priority number one.

Priorities for Education and Prevention Programs include:

1. Strategies that seek to delay onset of first use of substances.
2. Programs that target use of gateway drugs and address new trends in drug use across all age groups.
3. Programs that utilize *Risk and Protective Factors* strategies.

Priorities for Treatment and Intervention Programs include:

1. Programs that provide effective treatment strategies for individuals with co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders.
2. Programs that serve targeted populations with early intervention strategies.
3. Programs that collaborate with other organizations and sectors, and provide linkage to community supports.
4. Programs that incorporate Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) which sustain and support recovery, including but not limited to providing peer support, housing, case management, and/or to linkages to recovery communities and activities.

**Applications are evaluated according to these criteria:**

- Community Need
  - How the program addresses a clearly-stated community need, or opportunity to address a community need.
  - Does the program coordinate with other community services to maximize the impact of available resources and meet needs of population?
  - How the program benefits local jurisdictions.
  - The purpose of proposed program or services is consistent with ATF funding priorities.
- Responsiveness of Proposed Program Activities: A detailed description of program activities proposed for funding, including a clear exposition of:
  - the targeted population, strategies for reaching the target population, and access to services (e.g. are barriers to activities/services reduced or eliminated). If applying for substance abuse prevention and education programming for youth, how program addresses risk and protective factors of target population.
  - services/activities that are responsive to needs of population.
  - the evidence base for the effectiveness of the prevention or treatment program or services with the targeted population.
  - the ability to accommodate for cultural differences within the population.
  - the use of trauma informed practices.
- Measurable Outcomes
  - The program includes clear and measurable outcomes, and includes a plan for related data collection in order to evaluate success in achieving those outcomes. Outcome data reflecting on abstinence, housing, employment, criminal activity, access to and/or retention in services are preferred.
  - The program demonstrates clear linkage between program activities and outcomes.
  - The program provides reasonable evidence of the achievement of previously identified outcome(s).
  - Reasonable levels of service are provided for resources expended.
- Organizational Capacity and Funding
  - The organization is stable (financial position, legal issues, etc.)
  - The program has attracted sufficient community resources from public, private, and volunteer sources, to produce proposed outcomes.
  - The program budget is realistic and reasonable considering the proposed activities.

- The application demonstrates that ATF funding is critical to achieving the stated outcomes.
  - The application and program comply with grant conditions.
- Qualifications, Licensing and Accreditation
  - If applicable, the agency is licensed/accredited.
  - Employees are qualified to provide services (accredited/licensed, if applicable)

## APPENDIX B

### 2020 DRUG and ALCOHOLISM COUNCIL of JOHNSON COUNTY 2021 ATF GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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