



Criminal Justice Debt Program Advisory Committee: Action Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: ____ Febraury 19 ____ 2024, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (virtual meeting)

Members Present: Caitlin Fenhagen, Mitchell Lucas, Donna Carrington, Amber Keith, Mark Kleinschmidt, Rachel Waltz, April Barber, Olivia Moreno, Chrystelle Ferguson

Members Absent: Tiffany Bullard, Tye Hunter,

Staff and Others Present: Sarah Belcher (Chapel Hill Liaison) Savannah Allred (Carrboro Liaison)

Agenda Item	Discussion Point	Motions	Votes/Actions
OPENING			
Call to Order	Mitch calls meeting to order at 11:03a.		
Roll Call	New member introduction- Olivia Moreno-	Mitch performed roll call	Quorum met
Approval of Agenda		Mitch motions to approve Donna seconded.	Board unanimously approves.
Approval of Minutes		Mitch motions to approve Seconded by April	Board unanimously approves.
OLD BUSINESS			
NEW BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Joshua Boyd-previous applicant-Carrboro Funds, employed, father (child lives with mother) has completed 3 alcohol assessments, inpatient treatment at center, is 18 months sober, facing many 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cait motions to approve all funding (including portal fees). Donna seconded. Mitch motions to approve. Donna seconded. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Board unanimously approves. Board unanimously approves. Board unanimously approves. Board majority approves.

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	<p>challenges, highly motivated to build new life for himself. Owes \$1,045.25.</p> <p>2. Amber Wooten-Chapel Hill Funds, resides in Chapel Hill, attending local Community College, volunteers at soup kitchen, is unemployed due to medical issues stemming from car accident, and is in process of divorcing her spouse. Owes \$191 in court fees from a speeding ticket.</p> <p>3. Jonathan Roberson-Orange County Fund- resides in Chapel Hill, employed full time at gas station, has one dependent child. Facing barriers to transportation and mental health. Needs 3 alcohol assessments. Owes \$130 in DMV reinstatement fees. Needs a hearing to reinstate an indefinitely suspended DL. After hearing he could reapply for additional assistance.</p> <p>4. Brian Turner-Orange County Funds- resides in</p>	<p>3. Mitch motions to approve \$313.75 for alcohol assessments. April seconded.</p> <p>4. Cait motions to approve \$417 for alcohol assessments. Mitch seconded.</p> <p>5. Mitch motions to table application for a month until he can regain contact with her. Donna seconded.</p> <p>6. Mitch motions to approve court costs with option for her to reapply once her DMV hearing has been cleared up/scheduled. Chrystelle seconded.</p> <p>7. Mitch motions to deny. April seconded.</p> <p>8. Mitch motions to approve. Cait seconded.</p>	<p>5. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>6. Board majority approves.</p> <p>7. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>8. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>9. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>10. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>11. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>12. Board unanimously approves.</p> <p>13. Board unanimously approves.</p>

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	<p>Mebane NC, looking for housing for him and his children. Employed part time with OCDSS, currently on probation, facing barriers to housing and transportation. Hoping to secure full time employment after reinstating driver's license. Needs 4 alcohol assessments, owes over \$6k in court debts. Has some pending cases and FTAs he's working on, his employers referred him to this program directly and are staunch supporters of his continued progress.</p> <p>5. Dominique Parker-Orange Co funds- Currently unemployed, resides in Hillsborough, has 4 dependent children, receives weekly child support and food stamps, currently on probation, facing barriers to housing, domestic violence, mental health, would like to get license reinstated to help secure employment and help support</p>	<p>9. Mitch motions to deny- with option to reapply. April seconded.</p> <p>10. Mitch motions to deny- with option to reapply once eligibility can be established. Donna seconded.</p> <p>11. Mitch motions to deny with option to reapply. April seconded.</p> <p>12. Mitch motions to approve. Cait seconded.</p> <p>13. Mitch motions to approve. Chrystelle seconded.</p>	

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	<p>her family. Mitch helped her take care of some of the Orange Co matters, hasn't had a response in some time, proposes giving her another month to be communicative and proceed with figuring out what else is owed and what needs to be done.</p> <p>6. Rashonda Blue-Chapel Hill Funds-resides in Chapel Hill, unsheltered and living in her vehicle due to an eviction in Feb 2023; is behind on storage facility rental, facing barriers to housing, clothing, domestic violence and mental health. Receives Food Stamps and Disability due to long term mental health issues. She was previously denied due to her irresponsible driving record- Mitch went and checked afterward and saw she had filed several pro se motions to waive fees from previous tickets. Only fees she has remaining</p>		

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	<p>are 1 each from Durham and Wake Counties.</p> <p>7. Monica Alston-Carrboro Funds-previous applicant-Mitch emphatically wishes to deny her application. HE has established that most of the fees listed on her current app are already being addressed in court-there are some fines she cannot afford to pay, she's trying to undo some old convictions and DMV collateral suspensions that would no longer exist according to today's laws. She'll have the option to reapply when all her issues have been cleared up.</p> <p>8. David Sequeria-Chapel Hill Funds-Previous applicant, resides at IFC- is 35 days sober at time of application. Is in active recovery and attends AA and NC meetings, saving money trying to maintain his road to recovery. Once he has his DL he will be able to secure employment.</p>		

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	<p>9. Askia Morton- Chapel Hill Funds- previous applicant, currently residing at Freedom House, trying to find housing using resources from Freedom House, facing barriers to clothing and transportation. Maintaining sobriety and making effort to stay out of trouble, has several pending cases out of Person Co, one of which, if convicted, could result in ineligibility for CJD. Cannot be reinstated until some cases have been resolved.</p> <p>10. Anthony Terrell- Chapel Hill Funds- it has been hard to connect with this applicant- especially to confirm residency/eligibility. Previous applicant- asking for \$2068.</p> <p>11. Aaron Jacobs- Chapel Hill Funds- previous applicant largely unavailable for contact. Asking for \$618.</p> <p>12. Bryan Fernandez- Chapel Hill Funds- previous applicant, Resides in Chapel Hill, employed part</p>		

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	<p>time at restaurant, currently in a gap year from school to save money and help his mother. Currently has fees in Alamance Co, has gotten his DL reinstated, and just needs court fees/portal fees paid.</p> <p>13. James Drummond-Chapel Hill Funds-previous applicant. Resides in Chapel Hill at IFC- recently employed full time at UNC health-receives Food stamps, and is facing barriers to clothing, housing, financial management, transportation, substance abuse and mental health. Was able to get Nash Co charge dropped and only has to pay seatbelt fine of \$10 plus a DL reinstatement fee.</p>		
Discussion:			
REPORTS			
ADJOURNMENT		Meeting adjourned at 12:05p.	

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Next Meeting-	March 18, 2024 at 11 am.		