

# County of Harney

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## LETTER OF COMMITMENT

### STATEMENT OF VALUES:

We the undersigned Law Enforcement and Behavior Health Partners believe in, and are committed to creating community-based, pre-arraignment pathways for treatment and recovery support services to help individuals whose substance-use disorder and behavioral health conditions lead to interactions with law enforcement and engagement with the criminal justice system.

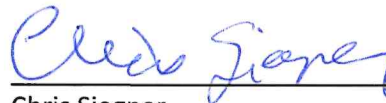
### STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT:

We will work with local partners, including but not limited to, behavioral health resource networks, community mental health providers, law enforcement agencies and district attorneys to develop County and/or City specific service plans/programs. Our efforts will focus on evidence-based solutions, like mobile crisis teams or LEADS-like programs.

We will apply for funding, if needed, to the 'Improving People's Access to Community-based Treatment, Supports and Services' (IMPACTS) Grant Review Committee. We also agree to participate in the IMPACTS data collection and review process. If barriers other than funding prevent programs from being stood up, we will work in partnership with the legislature and the IMPACTS Grant Review Committee to identify solutions by September 1, 2024.

As soon as funding is received, we will work to immediately stand-up programs in our communities. Once developed, funded, and stood up, our law enforcement partners commit to divert individuals are facing a PCS-U charge based off objective evidence-based national standards. Additionally, our District Attorney will divert all successful participants away from the criminal justice system and not pursue the PCS-U charge.

  
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