



**MEETING OF THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT
COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Monday, July 31, 2023
6:00 P.M.
Washington County Quorum Court Room

A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

At the beginning of each meeting, the agenda shall be approved. Any JP may request an item be added or removed from the agenda subject to approval of the Committee.

REPORTS

4. JUVENILE DETENTION- CHRIS TINSLEY

- Monthly Statistics Report (4.1-4.6)

5. SHERIFF'S OFFICE- JAY CANTRELL

- Monthly Activity Report (5.1)

6. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PUBLICATION OF ALL ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND CONTRACTS ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY WEBSITE.

Item 23-R-009 (6.1)

7. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF ONE VEHICLE TO MADISON COUNTY ARKANSAS. Item 23-O-113 (7.1)

8. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5 OF THE BENEFITS AND APPROVED LEAVE SECTION OF ORDINANCE 2018-50 – THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK. Item 23-O-116 (8.1)

9. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUSTAINED FUNDING FOR THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. Item 23-R-010 (9.1)

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Twelve-minute comment period with a three-minute limit for each individual to comment on items on the agenda.

11. ADJOURNMENT



Washington County Juvenile Detention Center
885 Clydesdale
Fayetteville, AR 72701
Christopher B. Tinsley, Director
444-1670, ext.3

Patrick Deakins
Washington County Judge

Memo

To: Judge Patrick Deakins
From: Christopher B. Tinsley, **Director** *Christopher B. Tinsley*
CC: Lance Johnson, Myra Collins, Jeremy Kelley, Thomas Corona, Kendrick Sexton
Date: **July 05, 2023**
Re: Juvenile Detention Monthly Statistics Report, **June 2023**

Please find attached the following statistical reporting for the Washington County Juvenile Detention Center for the month of **June 2023**:

- Daily population count
- Detention data comparisons for **2022** and **2023**
- Totals and averages, **2022** and **2023**
- Average daily population for **June** : **12.87**
- Number of transports: **4**

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center Daily Population Count for June 2023

The information contained within this report was developed using the center’s daily population count forms, which were designed to provide the Juvenile Court staff with daily population information.

June 2023

				01 Population 19	02 Population 18	03 Population 12
04 Population 12	05 Population 11	06 Population 11	07 Population 11	08 Population 13	09 Population 13	10 Population 11
11 Population 12	12 Population 12	13 Population 09	14 Population 10	15 Population 11	16 Population 11	17 Population 14
18 Population 14	19 Population 14	20 Population 15	21 Population 08	22 Population 08	23 Population 09	24 Population 08
25 Population 09	26 Population 09	27 Population 07	28 Population 10	29 Population 08	30 Population 09	Daily Population Day of Month

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center Detention Data Comparisons

The following information is a comparison of detention data elements for the month of **June** for **2022** and **2023**.

Statistical Information	2022	2023
Average number of intakes per day	1.03	0.80
Number of intakes (total for period)	31	24
Number of days of detention (total for period)	286	162
Average age	15.19	15.71
Average length of stay	9.23	6.75

Top Five Offenses Used for Detention			
2022		2023	
Offense	# of Intakes	Offense	# of Intakes
Firearms Possession (Felony)	6	Battery 3 rd (Misdemeanor)	3
Breaking/Entering (Felony)	6	Battery 2 nd (Felony)	2
Battery 2 nd (Felony)	5	Obstruction of Government Operations (Misdemeanor)	2
Felony (Misdemeanor)	4	Rape (Felony)	2
Theft of Property (Misdemeanor)	4	Resisting Arrest (Misdemeanor)	2

*Minor in Possession of liquor/alcohol is a status offense alone because it is not a criminal offense as an adult; therefore, this charge is generally accompanied by another criminal offense or violation.

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center

Totals and Averages

This report covers 30 days 6/1/2022 to 6/30/2022
 The Avg. Daily Intake is 1.03

Intakes	31
Days of Detention	286
Average Age	15.19
Average Stay	9.23

Totals and Averages by County and Percentage of Facility Use

Start Date 6/1/2022 **End Date** 6/30/2022

This report covers 30 days

County	# Intakes	# Detention Days	Average Stay	Av. Daily Intake	Percentage of Total Days
<Not Specified>	1	10	10.00	0.03	3.50 %
Washington	30	276	9.20	1.00	96.50 %
	31	286	9.23	1.03	100.00 %

Totals and Averages by Court

Court	# of Intakes	# of Days	Avg. Stay
Division 8	13	133	10.23
Division 3	17	143	8.41

Average Daily Population

	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023	April 2023	May 2023	June 2023
Total admits	46	44	41	40	44	43
Total days	467	443	397	386	557	386
Average daily population	15.06	15.82	12.81	12.87	17.97	12.87

June 2023

Currently Holding	Last Day of The Month
2	Sentenced
0	Adult charged youth currently holding
1	FINS
1	DYS
1	Early release to treatment or other appropriate facility (Includes other county holds)
0	CSTP
0	Sent to acute placement

June Transports	
4	Total Transports
3	Local Transports
1	Out of town transports
3/0/0	Law Enforcement/Other agency transported/parent or legal guardian
1	JDC transports



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF



WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

A TRADITION OF SERVICE SINCE 1828

JAY CANTRELL, SHERIFF

Activity Report

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06/16/2023 - 07/15/2023

	Current	Prior Year
Calls for Service:	2,193	2,171
Detention Intakes:	806	811
Sent To Prison:	20	7
Daily Average High Count:	787	756
State Prisoner ADP:	180	89
Federal Prisoner ADP:	61	80
Pre-Trial ADP:	474	502
County Commit ADP:	14	18

*ADP = Average Daily Population

Item 23-R-009

Requested by: Justice of the Peace Kyle Lyons
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PUBLICATION OF ALL COUNTY ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY WEBSITE.

WHEREAS, Washington County leaders conduct county business transparently; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County leaders believe providing searchable access to ordinances and resolutions would be a benefit for the citizens of Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The Washington County Quorum Court supports the publication of all county ordinances and resolutions in a searchable format on the County’s website.

ARTICLE 2. The Washington County Quorum Court encourages the Washington County Clerk to include a funding request in her 2024 Budget that would allow her office to publish all County ordinances and resolutions in a searchable format on the County’s website.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

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- 48 Committee History:
- 49 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-113

Requested by: Coroner Roger Morris
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF ONE VEHICLE TO MADISON COUNTY, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, A.C.A. § 14-16-116 authorizes a county to transfer personal property to another county; and,

WHEREAS, Coroner Roger Morris desires to transfer a vehicle to Madison County, Arkansas for use by the Madison County Coroner’s office; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves of the transfer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The County Judge is hereby authorized to transfer the 2012 Ford Expedition (VIN 1FMJK1G59CEF39774) currently in use by the County Coroner’s office to Madison County for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

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- 43 Committee History:
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Item 23-O-116

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5 OF THE BENEFITS AND APPROVED LEAVE SECTION OF ORDINANCE 2018-50 – THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.

WHEREAS, as a result of changes to employee policies over the years, an update is needed with regard to the Catastrophic Leave Bank Policy for county employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves of these changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. Section 5, titled Catastrophic Leave Bank, of the Benefits and Approved Leave Section of the Washington County Employee Handbook is amended as follows:

5. Catastrophic Leave Bank

A. Participation:

~~Participation in the Catastrophic Leave Bank (CLB) is available to all full time employees who meet the eligibility requirements. These requirements include the following:~~

- ~~1. The employee must be a regular/full-time employee.~~
- ~~2. The employee must have been continuously employed by Washington County in a full-time capacity for a minimum of two years prior to the plan’s effective date.~~

~~An employee becomes a member of the CLB by contributing 8 hours of sick time to the bank annually. Eligible employees will be given an opportunity to sign up each year during open enrollment for a plan year effective January 1st of the next year. Employees not electing to sign up during the enrollment period will not be eligible to participate until the following plan year. Upon enrollment in the plan and employee will automatically be re-enrolled each year unless the employee~~

41 signs a cancellation form during open enrollment, or no longer meets the
42 eligibility criteria as of the first day of the plan year.

43 A declaration of participation and contribution shall be made on a Catastrophic
44 Leave Bank Election Form distributed and collected by the Human Resources
45 Office. The CLB Form is due in the Human Resources Office between November
46 1st and November 30th each year for employees electing to participate the next
47 year. Once forms are submitted, the HR department sends the necessary
48 authorization to the Comptroller's office to deduct 8 hours of sick leave from the
49 participating employees sick leave accrued. In no case can donations to the CLB
50 reduce the employees personal leave time to less than 80 hours. Employees not
51 possessing 80 hours of combined sick and vacation leave time at the time of
52 signup, will be ineligible to sign up for the program. However, individuals who do
53 not meet the minimum hour criteria under the plan due to a catastrophic illness
54 or injury in the prior year, may make an appeal to the Catastrophic Leave
55 Committee for special consideration for eligibility, and the committee will review
56 such requests on an individual basis.

57 Employees wanting to donate additional hours of sick time to the CLB can do so
58 throughout the year as long as donations do not reduce personal accrued leave
59 below 80 hours. Donations must be made in a minimum of 4 hour increments,
60 and require a contribution form to be completed. Once the donation is made,
61 donations cannot be credited back to the donating employee except in instance
62 where a qualifying catastrophic leave request for time is made to the committee
63 and approved.

64 **B. Governance:**

- 65 1. The Catastrophic Leave Bank shall be governed by the Catastrophic Leave
66 Bank Committee
- 67 2. The Catastrophic Leave Committee shall oversee the administration of the
68 Catastrophic Leave Bank. The JESAP Committee shall act as the
69 Catastrophic Leave Bank Committee. The committee shall decide on
70 requests based on the committee's rules of operation. Requests for leave
71 from the Catastrophic Leave Bank should be routed to the Human
72 Resources Office.

73 **C. Rules of Operation:**

- 74 1. Only those employees who have made contributions may make requests
75 for days from the Bank.
- 76 2. Catastrophic Leave Bank days will be granted only in cases of physical,
77 mental, or emotional illness of the employee or illness or death in the
78 immediate family. Immediate family shall include the employee's spouse,
79 children, parents, and any other relatives living in the same household.
- 80 3. The Catastrophic Leave Bank days may be used only upon exhaustion of
81 all other paid leave. Days used from the Catastrophic Leave Bank are
82 grants and do not require repayment.

- 83 4. Before approving a request, the Catastrophic Leave Bank Committee may
84 review sick leave records and/or require appropriate documentation.
85 (This may include a doctor's or psychologist's statement verifying
86 disability and/or expected duration.) Disciplinary records relating to
87 absenteeism will also be reviewed by the committee, and such records will
88 influence the committee's decision to approve or deny requests.
- 89 5. Requests for Catastrophic Leave Bank days should be made on a
90 Catastrophic Leave Bank request form and submitted to the Chairperson
91 of the committee through the Human Resource Office. Forms may be
92 obtained by contacting the Human Resource Office. Requests will be
93 considered on a first filed, first reviewed basis.
- 94 6. Catastrophic Leave Bank days will not be granted if an applicant is eligible
95 for or receiving income from an income protection insurance policy or
96 similar coverage. Employees receiving Workers Compensation benefits
97 will also be ineligible to receive benefits.
- 98 7. Unused days contributed to the Catastrophic Leave Bank will accumulate
99 and carry forward in the Catastrophic Leave Bank. If available hour
100 balance is exhausted, requests cannot be approved until additional hours
101 are donated to the Catastrophic Leave Bank.
- 102 8. In instances where the requesting employee is employed by the
103 department of one of the voting Catastrophic Leave Bank Committee
104 members, that member will be asked to abstain from voting on the
105 request.
- 106 9. A person receiving catastrophic leave pay will continue to accrue sick and
107 vacation hours. However, the person will use said leave as it is accrued,
108 and will only be allotted time from the Catastrophic Leave Bank for unpaid
109 hours.
- 110 10. Catastrophic leave time will run concurrent with FMLA time, and
111 necessary FMLA paperwork is required to be on file with the Human
112 Resources Office prior to any requests being heard. FMLA rules of
113 certification and re-certification will apply. Catastrophic leave is limited to
114 6 months, 1040 hours, in and 24 month rolling period. Failing to return to
115 work at the end of the catastrophic leave period will result in termination.
- 116 11. Catastrophic leave grants made from the bank shall be granted in up to 20
117 business day increments per individual, per request. Requests in excess of
118 20 days will be reviewed monthly by the committee for re-approval of the
119 request. In instances where a single individual presents requests for leave
120 in excess of 3 months, the committee will hold a special meeting to decide
121 whether or not to grant up to a 3 month extension. In no case shall an
122 employee receive leave from the Catastrophic Leave Bank in excess of 6
123 months.
- 124 12. Each Elected Official may make a request to the Catastrophic Leave Bank
125 Committee to open a special donation period, in which the employees of

126 that particular Elected Official would be able to donate hours for the
127 expressed use of a designated employee in need of additional catastrophic
128 leave benefits.

129 ~~13. Suspected abuse of Catastrophic Leave will be investigated, and~~
130 ~~wrongdoing will result in termination.~~

131 **D. Timekeeper Requirements:**

132 ~~The Timekeeper will present an annual report to the Sick Bank Leave Committee with the~~
133 ~~amounts donated by each employee, the amounts awarded, the names of recipients, the~~
134 ~~beginning balance and ending balance.~~

135 **CATASTROPHIC SICK LEAVE BANK PROGRAM**

136 Washington County's Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Program (CSLB) allows any
137 employee to donate accrued sick leave for use by employees who have a catastrophic
138 illness or who have an immediate family* member with a catastrophic illness, and
139 whose own leave has been exhausted. Some specific details of the County's program are
140 as follows:

141 **Catastrophic Illness**

142 A medical condition of an employee or of the spouse, parent or dependent** child of the
143 employee as defined within this policy as certified by a physician, which requires the
144 employee's absence from duty for a prolonged period of time and which results in a
145 substantial loss of income for the employee because of the exhaustion of all earned sick,
146 annual, and compensatory leave time.

147 **Eligibility**

148 You must be a full-time employee to participate in the CSLB. To receive benefits under
149 the program, new employees will become eligible to join the Bank on the date of their
150 one year anniversary. Employees that are currently on disciplinary action or have been
151 within the last year for poor attendance or do not have the minimum hours for initial
152 membership are not eligible to enroll in to the Sick Bank program.

153 An approved absence for illness will not be considered poor attendance.

154 All regular full-time employees must meet the following requirements before being
155 eligible to receive catastrophic leave:

156 A. Satisfactory attendance and performance record.

157 B. Sufficient information from a healthcare provider to confirm a catastrophic
158 illness/injury exists.

159 C. You must have exhausted all of your sick, annual, and compensatory leave, and
160 as a result, face a substantial loss of income because of your, your spouse's,
161 parent's or dependent* child's medical condition.

162 D. You must have donated the equivalent of one working day to the bank
163 previously.

164 Your own injuries or illnesses that are covered and compensated by workers'
165 compensation are eligible under the CSLB, but your workers' compensation and
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172 catastrophic leave compensation combined may not exceed the compensation you
173 received before the onset of your illness or injury.

174 **Donations**

176 Donations to the CSLB are optional.

177 No one may directly or indirectly intimidate, threaten, or coerce you or any other
178 employee in connection with donating, receiving, or using annual leave, sick leave, or
179 catastrophic leave. You may not donate if doing so would reduce your combined accrued
180 annual leave and sick leave balance to less than 20 hours.

181 Donations are final and cannot be reversed. Donations can only be made in one hour
182 increments, and there is no limit to the amount of hours that may be donated. You may
183 donate only sick leave. Donations from active employees are taken only during the
184 annual donation drive, normally held in the fourth quarter. If you leave the County, your
185 unused hours of sick leave will be donated to the Bank upon the termination of your
186 employment. The Human Resource Director may extend the donation period on a case-
187 by-case basis.

188 **Application for use**

189 Catastrophic leave, for the purpose of this Bank, shall be defined as sick leave required
190 (1) for treatment or recovery of a non-job injury or illness of the participating employee,
191 which exceeds two (2) weeks in duration as documented by an attending physician, or
192 (2) for treatment or recovery of an illness or injury of a participating employees' parent,
193 spouse, or dependent child as defined in IRS Publication 501.

194 In certain cases an employee may be eligible to apply for Catastrophic leave if they have
195 suffered an on-the-job injury to equal the difference of what will be received from
196 Workers' Compensation compared to their normal compensation at the onset of
197 injury/illness. Once a release to work has been received the employee will be expected to
198 return to work and the remaining approved leave time will be turned back into the bank.

199 Applications for the CSLB are available in the Human Resource Office or on the County
200 website.

201 When you request catastrophic leave, your department head or elected official must
202 verify that you have not been disciplined for leave abuse and you must provide a copy of
203 your physician's diagnosis detailing your condition (an approved FMLA application is
204 sufficient documentation) along with your completed application to your department
205 head or elected official.

206 Applicants will forward their application and medical documentation to Human
207 Resources for verification and for submission to the CSLB Committee for review. The
208 CSLB Committee will be comprised of the Washington County's Human Resource
209 Department(s). Members must have applicable knowledge of HR/payroll processes and

218 be able to maintain confidentiality. The Human Resource Director at the Courthouse
219 shall have the authority to grant leave from the Bank for a period of up to four (4) weeks
220 providing forms are completed and all medical documentation is in order without
221 Committee approval.

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223 The committee will review applications on a first-filed, first-considered basis. The CSLB
224 Committee makes the final decision to grant or deny catastrophic leave. The decision of
225 the committee is final. No appeals of declined leave transfer will be considered,
226 however, the committee will clearly communicate to the employee why an application
227 was not approved. An employee may reapply if their circumstance changes and they
228 were originally denied a leave allocation. The Committee will meet at a minimum of
229 once a quarter unless there is a need for additional meetings due to new applications.

230 **General Rule**

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233 If you are granted catastrophic leave, you will continue to receive your normal pay and
234 benefits, such as contributions to insurance and retirement, but your next salary
235 increase will be delayed until you return to work without retro pay. While you are on
236 catastrophic leave, you will continue to accrue sick in accordance with County policies,
237 but any sick leave you earn while you are on catastrophic leave must, as a condition of
238 your voluntary participation in the program, be assigned to the CSLB. Vacation accrual
239 will freeze while an employee is on an active catastrophic sick leave.

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241 You may also meet the eligibility requirements for the Family and Medical Leave Act
242 (FMLA). All leave from the CSLB shall run concurrently with FMLA leave and shall be
243 taken in 8, 10, or 12-hour increments depending on the shift of the employee unless
244 approval for an intermittent leave under the FMLA has been granted. Intermittent leave
245 may be granted in cases where a regimen of continuing treatment must be submitted
246 with the request for intermittent catastrophic leave. A reoccurrence of the medical
247 problem for which a leave was granted, beyond thirty (30) calendar days of return to
248 active status, will be treated as a new case and will require submission of a new request
249 form with medical documentation.

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251 Employees on a catastrophic leave will be considered to be in a pay status. Any leave
252 granted but not used shall be returned to the Bank.

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254 Catastrophic leave is limited to six months, or 1,040 hours, in a 24-month period per
255 application, unless you have been denied disability, retirement or social security
256 benefits. In the case of being denied previous stated benefits, leave can be extended with
257 additional medical documentation and written approval from the CSLB Committee
258 outlining an extension. If you do not report to work at the end of your period of
259 catastrophic leave, you may face termination at the discretion of the employee's Elected
260 Official/Director.

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262 The CSLB does not create any expectation or promise of continued employment.
263 Further information about the program is available from Human Resources.

264 *Immediate family as defined under federal FMLA law.

265 **A child who may be claimed as a dependent under the Arkansas Income Tax
266 Act.

267 **Definition of Terms**

269 **Catastrophic Illness** - a medical condition (as defined under FMLA) which requires
270 an employee's absence from duty for a prolonged period of time and which results in a
271 substantial loss of income to the employee because of the exhaustion of all earned sick,
272 vacation, and compensatory leave time.

274 **Catastrophic Sick Leave** - paid leave in a rolling calendar year which is transferred to
275 a leave recipient from Washington County's catastrophic leave bank. Catastrophic leave
276 may be granted in 8, 10 or 12-hour increments. While a leave recipient is on catastrophic
277 leave, he or she will receive normal benefits such as county contributions to insurance
278 and retirement.

280 **Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank** - a pool of accrued sick leave donated by employees
281 that has been approved for use by other employees.

283 **Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Donor** - an employee whose voluntary written
284 request to donate accrued sick leave to the county's catastrophic leave bank has been
285 approved. No employee shall be allowed to be a leave donor if doing so would reduce
286 that employee's combined accrued vacation leave and sick leave balance to less than 20
287 hours.

289 **Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Program** - a program approved by the County and
290 operated by the Department of Human Resources in concert with the Committee to
291 provide for the orderly authorization and administration of catastrophic leave.

293 **Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Recipient** - a current employee whose application
294 to receive catastrophic sick leave has been approved.

296 **Employee** - a person who is a uniform or non-uniform employee who is compensated
297 on a full-time basis and been employed at least one year. Part-time, seasonal or
298 temporary employees are excluded from this definition and are not eligible to
299 participate as a donor or recipient in the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Program.

301 **Medical Condition** - a personal or qualifying family member emergency limited to
302 catastrophic and debilitating medical situations, severe complications resulting in the
303 inability to work and severe accident cases that cause the employee to be incapacitated,
304 require a prolonged period of recuperation and require the employee's absence from
305 duty as documented by a physician. Disabilities resulting from elective surgery do not
306 qualify.

308 **Medical Documentation** - documentation by a physician certifying that the
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310 employee is incapacitated and the period of incapacitation. The medical form for
311 requesting Family Medical Leave may be used to request time from the Catastrophic
312 Sick Leave Bank as well as the official Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank application.

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314 **Prolonged Period of Time** - a continuous period of time whereby a medical
315 condition prevents the employee from performing the employee’s duties. A prolonged
316 period of time is interpreted to be a minimum of two (2) weeks.

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318 **Substantial Loss of Income** - a continuous period of time when the employee will
319 not have otherwise been compensated by the county due to a medical condition and the
320 exhaustion of all earned sick, vacation, and compensatory leave, and such medical
321 condition is not covered and compensated by Worker’s Compensation.

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332 BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

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Requested by: Justice of the Peace Beth Coger
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUSTAINED FUNDING FOR THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT.

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Washington County, Arkansas strongly urges sustained and continued funding for the Northwest Arkansas Crisis Stabilization Unit (“CSU”) to ensure that residents are able to access the mental and behavioral health care that they need; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Quorum Court recognizes that the CSU provides vital community-based mental health services, such as inpatient and outpatient care and crisis intervention and supportive services, all of which are critical to the well-being of our constituents and our communities; and

WHEREAS, the CSU also often serves as an alternative to incarceration for some whose illness may result in interaction with law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the CSU serves as a backup for community mental health providers by connecting patients to appropriate services that helps them stabilize by resolving problems, getting appropriate medications, insurance; and

WHEREAS, the CSU, local law enforcement and the judiciary have invested in community-based mental health services that coordinate and invest in programs and services that meet the needs and challenges of local communities, including Crisis Intervention Response Teams (CIRT) training for law enforcement; support for the criminal justice system such as the Washington County Drug Court participants; and

WHEREAS, the state-county partnership for these critical mental health services should be prioritized, including a commitment to additional and sustainable funding for the CSU to continue to provide community-based mental health and behavioral health services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quorum Court of Washington County, Arkansas calls on Governor Sarah Sanders and the Arkansas General Assembly to make sustainable funding of the CSU a priority by sustaining its commitment

43 to fund this vital mental health unit by \$_____ in the FY 2023-24 budget.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED by the Quorum Court of Washington County, Arkansas that for the reasons noted above a copy of this resolution will be sent to the Washington County legislative delegation and to Governor Sarah Sanders.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

DATE

BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

- Introduced by:
- Date of Adoption:
- Members Voting For:
- Members Voting Against:
- Members Abstaining:
- Members Absent:

- Committee History:
- Quorum Court History: