

**Resolution authorizing a professional service contract with Mighty Crow Media for consultant services related to implementation of the Stepping Up Initiative and the policy recommendations of the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board. As well as, provide planning and consulting services it relates to the development of a Community Response Plan specific to the Opiate Epidemic through the FY 14 Justice Assistance Grant (OHS&JP \$25,000)**

**WHEREAS**, on May 26, 2015, the Board of Commissioners passed Resolution No. 0416-15 signing onto the Call to Action to reduce the number of people with mental illness in our county jails; commit to sharing lessons learned with other counties in Ohio and across the country to support a national initiative and encourage all county officials, employees and residents to participate in the Stepping Up Initiative ; and

**WHEREAS**, On May 26, 2015 the Board of Commissioners charged the Franklin County Reentry Coalition and the Franklin Criminal Justice Planning Board with:

- a. Developing a plan for 2016-2020, consistent with the Council of State Governments Justice Center (CSG) report and recommendations, with measurable outcomes, that draws on the jail assessment data, the inventory of available treatment and service capacity, and policy and funding barriers, and
- b. Implementing research-based approaches that advance the plan,
- c. Encouraging public private partnerships that promote awareness and enhance community safety through education, outreach, and de-stigmatization; and
- d. Assigning accountable staff and create processes to track progress using data and information systems, and to report on success, and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board met on December 2, 2015 and adopted Recidivism Reduction & Sustainable Reentry and Behavioral Health Systems Improvement within the criminal justice system as two of its highest priorities for inclusion in the 2016 – 2020 Comprehensive Strategic Justice Plan; and

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**WHEREAS**, Might Crow Media will assist the Franklin County Reentry Coalition and the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board in creating a collaborative approach to implementation of the Stepping Up Initiative and the strategic policy recommendations of the County Justice and Behavioral Health Systems Improvement project; and

**WHEREAS**, Might Crow Media will additionally provide planning and consulting on strategic best practices as it relates to the development of a Community Response Plan specific to the Opiate Epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Mighty Crowe will also devise an action plan relating to the efforts initiated by the Franklin County Opiate Crisis Summit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs has administratively approved this project and the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney has reviewed the contract and found it to be acceptable as to form; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:**

The attached contract for service and purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List, under the FY 2014 Justice Assistance Grant program are hereby approved for the agency and project listed below with expenses not to exceed the listed contract amounts.

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AGENCY	CONTRACT AMOUNT
Mighty Crow Media	\$25,000

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CC: Auditor  
Commissioners  
OHS&JP