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Ken Sanchagrín, Executive Director
Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC)
885 Summer St. NE
Salem, OR 97221

Dear Mr. Sanchagrín,

The Yamhill County Board of Commissioners would like to make our support known for grant submission for the first phase of the CJC Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) Grant for the 2021 – 2023 biennium. We support reducing recidivism as well as decreasing Yamhill County's utilization of imprisonment in a Department of Corrections institution while protecting public safety and holding Justice Involved Individuals (JII) accountable. Since JRI Grant funds became available with the passage of HB 3194 in 2013, Yamhill County has been awarded grants funds for the last four biennia. These grant funds fully have supported our local Pretrial Justice and SMART Sentencing Prison Diversion Programs with great outcomes and statewide recognition. We are immensely proud of what our county has accomplished thus far through JRI funds and we are excited to see the impact that our continued and expanded investments in our local programs will generate. Furthermore, we are excited for the opportunity to more effectively address the needs of our underserved local populations through our JRI efforts.

We are confident that our county's grant application meets the requirements of the grant and honors the legislative directives associated with it.

Thank you for reviewing our plan.

Sincerely,

Mary Starrett
Chair

Lindsay Berschauer
Vice Chair

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Commissioner

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