



Buffalo County Resolution

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County Department:
DHHS

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Involved Committees:
Finance & Human Resources

Resolution #26-09- 03

A Resolution Creating One Additional Economic Support Specialist Position Pursuant to Funding Authorized Under 2025 Wisconsin Act 116

WHEREAS, the Federal Reconciliation Bill (H.R.1) signed into law on July 4, 2025, imposes significant financial penalties on states that exceed a 6 percent error rate in administering the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which in Wisconsin is called FoodShare; and,

WHEREAS, 2025 Wisconsin Act 116 provides additional funding to Income Maintenance agencies to strengthen program administration, improve quality assurance activities, and reduce FoodShare error rates to ensure compliance with federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, 2025 Wisconsin Act 116 was enacted in response to changes in federal SNAP requirements and provides resources to support enhanced review of benefit eligibility determinations and certifications prior to benefit issuance; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services has made funding available to Income Maintenance agencies for staffing necessary to conduct quality assurance reviews and other activities required under the provisions of Act 116; and

WHEREAS, the addition of one (1.0 FTE) Economic Support Specialist position will support the County's ability to meet state and federal performance standards, maintain program integrity, reduce payment error rates, and ensure timely and accurate eligibility determinations; and

WHEREAS, funding for this position is anticipated to be fully or substantially supported through the Act 116 allocation provided to the consortium and participating counties for these purposes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the creation of one (1.0 FTE) Economic Support Specialist position within the Department of Health and Human Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the position shall be funded through revenues received pursuant to 2025 Wisconsin Act 116 and any related state Income Maintenance allocations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Health and Human Services are authorized to recruit and fill the position upon approval of this resolution.

FISCAL NOTE: The consortium adding 6.0 FTE is estimated to increase Buffalo County's total levy requirement by \$2,208. By adding a position, Buffalo County will be able to claim an estimated \$27,032 of AMSO and indirect, with a 50% reimbursement rate, recognizing an estimated \$13,516.09 in levy savings.



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Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 28th day of September, 2026.



County Clerk

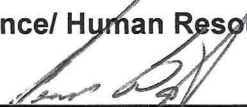
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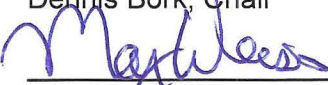
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Respectfully submitted:

Finance/ Human Resources Committee



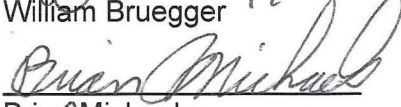
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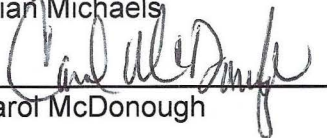
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