Service Coordination and Collaboration Plan Independent Facilitator Overview

The proposal presented to the City of Madison Education Committee on July 9, 2014, "Coordinated Community Plan for Supporting Children, Youth and Families in Madison," called for development of a coordinated and collaborative model to integrate services for low-income individuals and families. The strategy to develop this model has hinged on the hiring of a facilitator, independent of the City of Madison, County of Dane, or the Madison Metropolitan School District. The time period necessary for this exploration is initially anticipated to be between six and nine months.

In addition to the work done by the independent facilitator to develop a coordinated and collaborative service model, an evaluation component would also need to be conducted by an outside partner. There would also need to be work done to coordinate funding streams and strategies as well as other related initiatives.

Core skills for this position would include:

- Community engagement
- Research and analysis
- Group facilitation
- Team building and collaboration

Responsibilities for this position would include

- Assembling, facilitating, and leading groups
- Providing community outreach and engagement
- Asset mapping
- Collecting an inventory on what services are being funded now and what other related initiatives are underway
- Collecting data on disproportionate minority contact and confinement, education, poverty, and other data sets
- Researching similar initiatives instituted in other regions
- Assessing how families interface with current services
- Assessing three geographic areas to determine a location for pilot project
- Synthesizing collected data and information to develop a model for service coordination and collaboration
- Developing an implementation plan