STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF DARLINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 23-04

An Ordinance To Designate That Agency In The County For Alcohol And Drug Abuse Planning For Programs And To Make Appropriations Pursuant To Sections 6-27-40(B) And 12-33-245(B) And (C) Of The 1976 Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, As Amended, For Darlington County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, And Ending June 30, 2024

BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of Darlington County, South Carolina, the Darlington County Council, that:

SECTION 1
Rubicon Counseling and Substance Abuse Programs, Inc., dba Rubicon Family Counseling Center, is hereby designated as the agency in the County for alcohol and drug abuse planning for programs funded by excise tax revenue for FY 2023/2024.

SECTION 2
There is hereby appropriated from the funds received from the excise tax revenue the following amount of money for the following respective corporate purposes of Darlington County for and during the fiscal year of July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, to wit:

RUBICON COUNSELING & SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS, INC., dba RUBICON FAMILY COUNSELING CENTER

Salaries & Operational Expenses ...........  $160,000

Mini-Bottle Revenue .......................  $160,000

SECTION 3
All funds disbursed hereunder for Rubicon Counseling & Substance Abuse Programs, Inc., dba Rubicon Family Counseling Center, shall only be expended after being requisitioned by Rubicon Counseling & Substance Abuse Programs, Inc., dba Rubicon Family Counseling Center, to the County Treasurer upon a form supplied and kept on file by the Treasurer.

SECTION 4
No funds appropriated herein shall be used for the payment of expenses or obligations of Rubicon Counseling & Substance Abuse Programs, Inc., dba Rubicon Family Counseling Center, incurred prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.
SECTION 5

It is understood that the amounts set forth in Section 2 hereof are projections. Therefore, all of the foregoing appropriations are conditional and proportionate and are subject to proportionate increase or reduction.

SECTION 6

The single agency designated in Section 1 of this Ordinance shall develop a county plan in accordance with the State plan for alcohol abuse and alcoholism and the State plan for drug abuse required by Public Laws 91-616 and 92-255 for the prevention and control of alcohol and drug abuse. Said agency shall work with a county citizen advisory committee, which committee shall:

A. Consist of eight persons appointed by the Council who shall serve until they resign or are replaced by Council.

B. Be provided all necessary staff support and information necessary by the single designated agency.

C. Shall meet at least on a semi-monthly basis at a time and place they designate, subject to the provisions of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

D. Act not as a board of directors, but provide a mechanism for citizen participation and consumer input into the development and implementation of the county alcohol and drug abuse plan, with specific duties and responsibilities as follows:

1. Consult with and advise the single county agency in the development and implementation of the plan.

2. Consult with and advise the single county agency concerning use of "mini-bottle funds" appropriated by County Council for educational purposes relating to the use of alcoholic liquors and the rehabilitation of alcoholics, drug abusers, and drug addicts, with particular emphasis on making services available to working people (to include weekend and evening scheduling), and services to individuals at the county detention center and prison farm.

3. Plan and implement strategies to obtain additional community input and involvement in alcohol and drug abuse countermeasures.

4. Submit to County Council, at least one report, which shall comment on the single agency's proposed plans, its accomplishments for the previous year, the results of citizen and consumer input activities, and a recommendation on whether the County Council should consider competitive procurement of single agency designation for the coming fiscal year.
SECTION 7
The single agency shall forward the next year's proposed county plan to the County Council. Said plan shall specifically address measures taken to make services available to working people (to include evening and weekend scheduling) and services to individuals incarcerated at the county detention center and prison farm. The comments of the county citizen advisory committee concerning the plan shall be submitted to Council at the same time.

SECTION 8
This Ordinance shall take effect upon third reading.

ATTEST:

J. JANET BISHOP
CLERK TO COUNCIL

DARLINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL

BOBBY HUDSON, CHAIRMAN

First Reading: May 1, 2023
Second Reading: June 5, 2023
Public Hearing: June 5, 2023
Third Reading: June 19, 2023