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**To:** Diane Stoddard  
**From:** David Johnson  
**Date:** 6/29/2015  
**Re:** Homeless Outreach and WRAP Funding

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\$350,000 in funding for the WRAP program would allow Bert Nash to provide seven additional Masters level clinicians including one supervisor. The funding would cover 80% of the seven positions with Bert Nash covering the remaining 20% from donations, gifts and fees. This funding would allow us to reinstate services for elementary aged children. While we encounter serious mental health issues in children in this age group, WRAP provides the greatest opportunity for prevention and early intervention.

The annual cost of the Homeless Outreach program is \$223,000. The City of Lawrence provides a grant in the amount of \$168,114 that covers 75% of the program. The remaining 25% is matched by Bert Nash. The program costs consist of salary and benefits for three full time Bachelors level clinicians and partial funding of a supervisor position, consumer flex funds (\$9,200), transportation of clients (\$18,700), staff training, staff cell phones, computers, etc. A reduction in funding in the amount of \$15,000 would require that we eliminate the consumer flex funds which are used to pay for temporary housing, rental and utility deposits, camping passes, medication, and fees associated with obtaining identification. While this is a relatively small amount of money, these funds are vital to helping people out of homelessness. We would also need to reduce the transportation budget by 30%. This would require that the Homeless Outreach team only provide transportation in Lawrence. Many of the trips are for appointments in Kansas City or Topeka at places such as KU Medical Center or the VA Hospital.