



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
DENNIS DAUGAARD, GOVERNOR

October 23, 2017

Jerry Miller
Union County State's Attorney
209 East Main Street, Suite 140
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Dear State's Attorney Miller,

Please find enclosed a Diversion Fiscal Incentive Program payment of \$4,768.47 for Union County. This payment is funded by one of the programs created through the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JJRI).

Through incentivizing counties to utilize diversion opportunities, the Diversion Fiscal Incentive Program was designed to prevent deeper involvement in the juvenile justice system for youth committing lower level offenses. For FY2017, the number of juveniles completing diversion programs exceeds the available appropriation of \$250,000 and the rate of \$250/completer. Consequently, the State of South Dakota is able to pay counties \$227.07 for each youth who successfully completed a court approved diversion program in FY2017.

Upon review of Union County's submitted application, it was determined that Union County had 21 successful completers of court approved diversion programs in FY2017 resulting in the enclosed payment of \$4,768.47.

The Diversion Fiscal Incentive Program is a result of the strong relationships between state and local governments and community providers. Thank you for ensuring the youth of South Dakota are provided with opportunities to steer clear of further involvement in our juvenile justice system and for all your hard work.

Sincerely,

Dennis Daugaard

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Enclosure