

RICE COUNTY PROJECT INTERCEPT

A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN RICE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

- **Provides an early response to individuals who have become involved with law enforcement**
- **Accepted participants receive services from a Social Services Community Based Coordinator (CBC)**
- **CBC assists participants with working through short-term actionable goals to address immediate mental and chemical health needs that may have contributed to interactions with law enforcement.**
- **CBC assists by:**
 - **Makes recommendations and referrals for assessment and/or treatment**
 - **Linking participant with appropriate community resources**
 - **Providing general support to answer questions about mental or chemical health concerns**
 - **Navigates service systems in general to help address health care, food support, housing and other services needed to support the participants stability in the community**
- **Participants are expected to develop and complete individualized goals as a condition of services being provided. This may include:**
 - **Completing all forms and releases of information**
 - **Communicating and meeting with the CBC as scheduled**
 - **Attending appointments with other providers as scheduled**
 - **Completion of personal goals and commitments identified in the participants individualized plan**
- **Benefits to participants may include:**
 - **Quicker access to resources than figuring it out independently**
 - **Access to an experienced and knowledgeable community navigator who provides short-term assistance and help in achieving personal goals**
 - **Streamlined communications with law enforcement to share the progress that has been made**
- **Benefits to the community include:**
 - **Coordination of efforts between Social Services and Law Enforcement to address the needs of individuals who may have recurring contact with law enforcement**
 - **Reduced dependence on jail beds to hold individuals in need of mental health or chemical dependency treatment**
 - **Reduce dependence on state hospitals**