

**RESOLUTION 15-\_\_**

**SUPPORTING THE SAFETY AND JUSTICE CHALLENGE GRANT  
APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors oversees the public safety and justice system in Cochise County; and

**WHEREAS**, The County's Strategic Plan's main goal regarding public safety and justice is to promote safe communities, strengthen legal services, and ensure access to justice for all citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Cochise County is interested in improving public safety, saving money, collaborating with strategic partners and stakeholders, and promoting stronger, healthier communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Cochise County is in support of the opportunity to develop and construct a safer, less costly, and more just criminal justice system; and

**WHEREAS**, local jails across the nation have become over-crowded while detaining those awaiting court proceedings who are often times not a flight risk or danger to public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Cochise County supports and encourages innovation in our jail, courts, and probation systems; and

**WHEREAS**, Cochise County has a proven leadership track record in the region of developing, implementing, and maintaining effective, high-quality services with personal and professional integrity,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cochise County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the application for the Safety and Justice Challenge Grant opportunity through the MacArthur Foundation. Cochise County also supports the Superior Court acting as the lead agency on the grant application, with the assistance of the Adult Probation Department and the Public Defender's Office.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, Arizona, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Patrick Call, Chairman  
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Arlethe G. Rios  
Clerk of the Board

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Elda E. Orduño  
Civil Deputy County Attorney