



Chippewa County to take part in phase of criminal justice program

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CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis. (WEAU)- Chippewa County is helping with a new phase of a grant program aimed at improving the criminal justice system.

It's 1-of-6 Wisconsin counties in part of the evidence-based decision making initiative.

The National Institute of Corrections is behind it.

The county will use data to help it keep low and medium risk offenders from re-offending.

Then it can concentrate more efforts on high-risk offenders.

"We have nationwide experts coming in to advise us on how we are doing. They'll take a look at our whole program and try and improve upon it based upon their experience so we don't make mistakes that other counties or other states have done in the past," Chippewa County District Attorney Steve Gibbs said.

Chippewa County is set to start with the program in a couple months.

Eau Claire county helped with an earlier phase of the program.



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