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SAVE Docket to offer criminal sentencing alternatives

Daytona Beach – Certain individuals appearing in misdemeanor court may soon have an alternative to paying court costs. Those who choose to have their cases put on the Sentencing Alternatives for Volusia Enforcement (SAVE) docket will be able to resolve their cases by completing community service hours or participating in specified programs.

Volusia County Court Judge Belle B. Schumann will appear before the Volusia County Council tomorrow to discuss the program and its potential for Volusia County.

“We see people charged with less serious offenses stay in the courts system due to their inability to pay court costs,” Schumann said. “The SAVE Docket gives people a way to resolve these cases while also serving the community.”

The SAVE Docket was created in collaboration with the Fighting Against Injustice Towards Harmony organization (F.A.I.T.H.), law enforcement, community agencies/partners and the courts.

Participation on the SAVE Docket is optional and will be available to all individuals charged with a qualifying offense. Cases not included on the SAVE Docket include felonies, juvenile delinquency, crimes with a victim, DUI and drug crimes, and offenses committed outside of Volusia County. Those who choose to participate on the SAVE Docket will be given a notice that includes a court date, time and location, as well as the phone number for the program coordinator. The coordinator will work with the defendant and program providers to report progress to the court, and then defendants may receive credit for their efforts in lieu of paying court costs.

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