

What is DWI Court?

A judicially supervised treatment based program for adults who are charged with certain eligible offenses.

It is an environment with clear and specific expectations and goals.

DWI Court consists of the following team members: judge, prosecutor, defense counsel, probation agent, substance abuse specialists, law enforcement and a coordinator.

It features a team approach to rigorous treatment, coordinated with intensive supervision, random and regular alcohol and drug testing, regular and frequent court appearances and education and employment opportunities.

A proven method of controlling both the alcohol usage and criminality of alcohol-using offenders.

Ninth Judicial District

Judiciary

Court Administration

Crow Wing County Attorney's Office

State Public Defender's Office

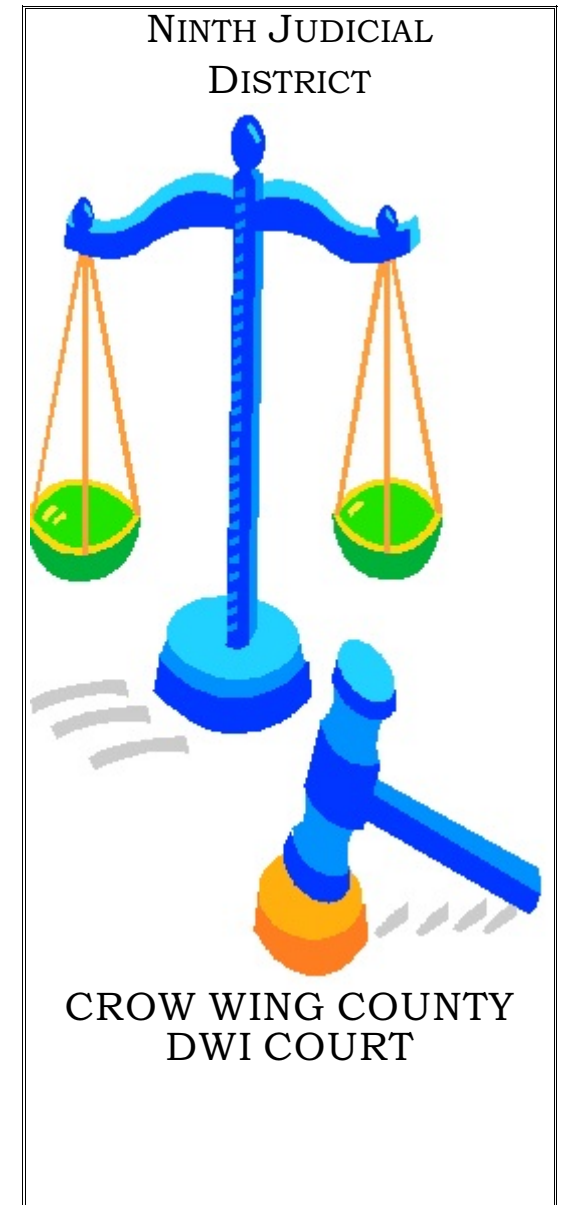
Central Minnesota

Community Corrections

Crow Wing County Social Services

Crow Wing County

Law Enforcement Agencies



DWI Court Eligibility

Non-commit felony DWI conviction in Crow Wing County or 3rd DWI conviction within 10 years in Crow Wing County

Must be a Crow Wing County resident

Must be 18 years of age or older

Ability to meet DWI Court requirements regarding physical and mental health status

Must not have any offenses that would compromise the safety of the participants and staff

Completion of Rule 25 Chemical Use Assessment with a diagnosis of being chemically dependent and is able to obtain chemical dependency treatment from the state or consolidated fund, private insurance or other sources

Adjudicated guilty of underlying offense

An individual is not automatically admitted to the Crow Wing County DWI Court upon meeting the above-listed eligibility criteria. DWI Court participants are admitted to the program via the discretionary decision of the DWI Court Team.

PHASES OF THE PROGRAM

DWI Court consists of four phases and a graduation. During each phase the participants will be required to complete certain goals. As participants advance through the program the phase requirements may become less restrictive. During all phases of the program participants will be required to cooperate with frequent, random and observed alcohol and drug testing, cooperation with frequent and random field visits and office visits, attend DWI Court hearings and abstain from alcohol and drug use. **Phase I:** Participants will enter and successfully complete the recommended treatment programs and establish abstinence. Must be in Phase I for a minimum of three months and have 30 days of continuous sobriety. **Phase II:** Participants will focus on continued abstinence, stabilization and maintenance of recovery. Must be in Phase II for a minimum of four months and have 90 days of continuous sobriety. **Phase III:** Participants will continue to focus on abstinence and maintenance of recovery. Must be in Phase III for a minimum of five months and have 120 days of continuous sobriety. **Phase IV:** Participants will focus on reaching personal and treatment goals while sustaining recovery, reinforcing and maintaining a clean, sober and legal lifestyle. Must be in Phase IV for a minimum of six months and have a minimum of eighteen months in the program and have 270 days of continuous sobriety.

Participant Motivation to Enter DWI Court

Participants entering into Crow Wing County DWI Court will receive a reduced sentence as follows:

Serve mandatory minimum (as required by Minnesota Statutes) in the Crow Wing County Jail.

Waiver of the costs of the

criminal fine with the exception of surcharges and fees.

Upon graduation from DWI Court, participants' probation will become less restrictive.

Payment of \$1,000 DWI Court fee (portion of payments due at the end of each phase).

- Phase I: \$100 fee
- Phase II: \$200 fee
- Phase III: \$300 fee
- Phase IV: \$400 fee

Mission Statement of Crow Wing County DWI Court:

The mission of the Crow Wing County DWI Court is to enhance public safety by increasing the supervision of DWI offenders, reducing recidivism rates and increasing success of treatment. This results in participants becoming contributing members of society with restored self worth.