

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
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SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

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**WINNEBAGO COUNTY THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION PROGRAM (TIP)
COURT CELEBRATES 35th GRADUATION CEREMONY**

Rockford, Illinois—Judge Janet R. Holmgren, Presiding Judge of the 17th Judicial Circuit Court Therapeutic Intervention Program (TIP) Court is pleased to announce the program celebrated its 35th graduation ceremony on Monday, November 4, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in Courtroom 311 at the Winnebago County Courthouse. Seven TIP Court participants have successfully completed all of the TIP Court Program requirements, bringing the total number of Graduates to 213 since TIP Court began in 2005.

TIP Court is a specialized problem-solving court program that provides wrap-around therapeutic services and intensive court supervision to persons in the criminal justice system who have a serious and persistent mental illness. The program is voluntary and the average length of participation is two and a half years. The goals and purpose of TIP Court is to provide participants with the treatment and case management services they require to help them achieve stability and maintain recovery and in turn, dramatically reduce the likelihood that they will commit new offenses. A multi-disciplinary team of clinical and justice professionals closely supervise each participant's compliance with treatment and probation supervision requirements. Participants are held accountable for complying and completing their treatment plan requirements through intensive probation supervision and frequent court appearances before Judge Holmgren.

Please contact Emily Behnke for more information about TIP Court and the 35th graduation ceremony.

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