

Item Title: Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan and Certification for FY 2021-2022

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners adopts the Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan for FY 2021-2022 and affixes signatures on the appropriate forms.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The local Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) develops the annual plan, setting priorities for funding in the next year. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) requires the Board of Commissioners in each County to approve the Council's annual plan before releasing DPS funds.

Background: JCPC funds are made available to Wake County from the North Carolina DPS Division of Juvenile Justice to provide community-based delinquency and gang prevention strategies and programs. State statute sets the intent and responsibilities for JCPCs. The statute requires representation from local government, local public and private agencies serving juveniles and their families, local business leaders, citizens with an interest in youth problems, and youth representatives to participate in plan development.

Wake County's JCPC uses the funds to provide services such as skill building programs for youth suspended from school, afterschool and weekend life-skills programs, literacy programs, emergency residential placement, restitution and community service programming, and parenting programs. For the \$1.8 million allocated in FY 2022, the JCPC prioritized strengthening services for youth who may have been exposed to trauma or may be serious or violent offenders.

Board Goal: This action supports Community Health and Vitality Goal 3: Support a higher quality of life for vulnerable residents and communities; Public Safety Goal 1: Address equity in the criminal justice system; and Public Safety Goal 2: Support justice-involved residents rejoining the community to improve health and well-being.

Fiscal Impact: The revenue and expenditures are included as part of the annual budget process. The County will satisfy the match requirement by using funds already budgeted in the FY 2022 Human Services General Fund Adopted Budget.

Additional Information:

After considering the risk and needs of Wake County youth, the JCPC prioritized strengthening services for youth who may have been exposed to trauma or may be serious or violent offenders. This includes but is not limited to services for gang-involved youth. The JCPC prioritized the following risk and protective factors to address programs in the FY 2021-2022 Request for Proposals:

Risk Factors	Protective Factors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aggressive/Assaultive behaviors ▪ Gang involvement/association ▪ Association with delinquent/gang involved peers ▪ Ineffective parental supervision and/or skills ▪ School behavior problems ▪ School suspensions ▪ Family member with criminal history or gang involvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Social competencies and problem- solving skills ▪ Healthy sense of self ▪ Positive expectations/optimism ▪ Appropriate family communication ▪ Effective parental supervision ▪ Opportunities for positive family, adult, and peer involvement ▪ Involvement in social, school and community activities ▪ School connectedness

For FY 2021-22, DPS allocated \$1,849,659 for Wake County. A 30% local match is required. Local match includes County match and local agencies match, including in-kind contributions. Also included are other state and federal funds. The FY 2021-22 JCPC funding table with specific programs is below:

Agency	Program	DPS Funding	County Match	Other Local/ State/Federal	Total
CORRAL Riding Academy	Equine Assisted Psychotherapy	\$139,344	\$5,081	\$515,852	\$660,277
Easter Seals Transition	Family Transition Support Services	\$117,465	\$4,283	\$47,810	\$169,558
Empowered Citizens	Empowered Citizens	\$116,120	\$4,234	\$45,304	\$165,658
Family Resource Center	Parenting Wisely	\$136,843	\$4,990	\$44,765	\$186,598
Haven House	Juvenile Diversion Team	\$102,672	\$3,744	\$147,561	\$253,977
	Community Service/Restitution	\$331,496	\$12,088	\$87,361	\$430,945
	Second Round	\$54,000	\$1,969	\$80,730	\$136,699
	Youth Career Options	\$130,000	\$4,740	\$38,820	\$173,560

	Wrenn House	\$107,000	\$3,902	\$337,658	\$448,560
ReEntry	Teen Court	\$242,746	\$6,970	\$85,887	\$335,603
Triangle Literacy Council	Skills for Academic Success	\$78,358	\$2,857	\$30,297	\$111,512
Wake County Human Services	JCPC Administration	\$15,500	\$5,000	-	\$20,500
	4H Spaces	\$141,360	\$5,155	\$46,912	\$193,427
	SPACESTOO	\$136,755	\$4,987	\$45,138	\$186,680
Totals		\$1,849,659	\$70,000	\$1,554,095	\$3,473,754

The table below displays JCPC funding over the last five fiscal years. Additional funding was received in FY19-20 as a result of the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Act also known as Raise the Age. This allows most 16 and 17 years old charged with crimes to be served in the juvenile justice system.

Fiscal Year	Final NC DPS Allocation	County Match	Total Budget
2018	\$1,171,637	\$81,175	\$1,252,812
2019	\$1,203,877	\$80,069	\$1,283,946
2020	\$1,578,377	\$75,000	\$1,653,377
2021	\$1,849,659	\$75,000	\$1,924,659
2022	\$1,849,659	\$70,000	\$1,919,659

Since the start of Raise the Age (RtA) the JCPC council has funded several new JCPC programs to help meet the needs of 16-17-year-old juveniles in the community. The programs will address the needs of older youth, including mediation services, family skills building and vocational services. These youth will also have access to behavior health assessment and treatment services through JCPC funded programs, which are services they might not have received in the adult system.

Attachments:

1. Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan for FY 2021-2022
2. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funding Plan FY 2021-2022