

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date: September 3, 2024

Action Required: Appropriation

Presenter: Misty Graves, Director of Human Services

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**Title: Resolution to Appropriate Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act Grant (VJCCCA) - \$452,704 (2nd reading)**

**Background**

In July 2010, the City of Charlottesville became the fiscal agent for the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (V.J.C.C.C.A.) funds for both Charlottesville and Albemarle County. This funding stream was established by the 1995 Virginia General Assembly to create balanced, community-based systems of sanctions, programs and services for juvenile offenders. These funds are used to support the Community Attention programs. In Fiscal Year 2025, \$292,058 in V.J.C.C.C.A. funds will be received from the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice with a required local maintenance of effort of \$52,231 from Albemarle County, and \$108,415 from the City for a total of \$452,704. The grant period is from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

**Discussion**

The V.J.C.C.C.A. grant funds the delinquency prevention and youth development services provided by The Department of Human Services for Charlottesville/Albemarle youth involved in the juvenile justice system. These services include the following programs: the Teens GIVE service-learning program that provides community service opportunities during both the school year and the summer; Community Support Services which provide pro-social skills training like anger management, individual and group support services; parenting support services and services for youth on electronic monitoring (to be provided by an outside vendor for FY25). Some restorative justice programming will also be available through a partnership with the Central Virginia Community Justice organization. These funds may also be used to provide prevention programming for youth who qualify under guidelines set by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

**Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan**

The VJCCCA grant aligns with the City of Charlottesville's Strategic Plan - Goal 2: A Healthy and Safe City Objective 2.3: Improve community health and safety outcomes by connecting residents with effective resources. Community Attention's VJCCCA funded programs provide community based services that prevent delinquency and promote the healthy development of youth. Expected outcomes include decreased delinquent behavior during and after program participation.

### **Community Engagement**

The V.J.C.C.C.A. funded programs engage local youth involved in the juvenile justice system and their families by providing prevention and youth development programs. The programs also engage and coordinate with other local agencies and organizations in the provision of services to the youth.

### **Budgetary Impact**

The funds will be expensed and reimbursed to the V.J.C.C.C.A. Fund. The required General Fund City contribution has already been appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Council Adopted Budget so no new funds are required to cover the match.

### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of funds.

### **Alternatives**

If the V.J.C.C.C.A. funds are not appropriated, Community Attention would have to serve fewer youth and eliminate programs and staff.

### **Attachments**

1. FY25 VJCCCA Resolution (final)