

Policy Briefing Summary

City Council



Regarding:	Resolution to Appropriate funds for the Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Grant - \$78,150.00 (1 of 2 readings)
Staff Contact(s):	Taylor Harvey-Ryan, Grants Program Manager
Presenter:	Spenser Kennedy, OAR
Date of Proposed Action:	August 17, 2026

Issue

The City has received a grant in the amount of \$78,150 from the Supreme Court of Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Grant to support the Albemarle/Charlottesville Therapeutic Docket program.

Background / Rule

The City of Charlottesville, on behalf of the Albemarle-Charlottesville Therapeutic Docket program, has received a Supreme Court of Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Grant for \$78,150.00 for operations of the therapeutic docket program, which is operated by Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR). The City of Charlottesville serves as fiscal agent for the Supreme Court of Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Grant.

Analysis

In its seventh year of operation, the Albemarle-Charlottesville Therapeutic Docket program is a supervised 9 to 12 month treatment program that serves as an alternative to incarceration for offenders. The Therapeutic Docket is a specialized docket within the existing structure of the court system given the responsibility to handle cases involving adult misdemeanor offenders who suffer from serious mental illness. The program uses the power of the court to assist offenders to achieve wellness and recovery through a combined system of intensive supervision, medication management, mental health treatment, and regular court appearances.

The total program budget is \$357,660.00 and includes three funding sources:

Supreme Court of VA - \$78,150.00

City of Charlottesville: \$139,755.00, which has already been appropriated

Albemarle County: \$139,755.00, which has already been appropriated

Financial Impact

No additional City funding is required as the City's match for this grant, \$139,755.00, was appropriated as part of the FY 2027 Council Approved Budget as part of the City's contribution to Offender Aid and Restoration.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the appropriation of the grant funds.

Recommended Motion (if Applicable)

I move to approve the resolution to appropriate the funding for Virginia Behaviorla Health Docket Grant from the Supreme Court of Virginia Behavioral Health Docket Grant.

Attachments

1. FY27 Appropriation Therapeutic Docket Resolution