AGENDA ITEM: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE FUNDING PLAN AND OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO THE JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL PROGRAM FOR FY 2013 TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION
CURRENT STATUS: Each year the County receives funding through the NC Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. This year, \$508,064 was made available to the County to support Juvenile Crime Prevention Council programs. As part of the requirements to receive funding, certain materials are required to be approved by the Board and submitted to the NC DJJDP.
BACKGROUND SUMMARY: The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) has approved the materials to be submitted. The Board must approve these materials prior to submittal to the NC DJJDP.
COMMUNITY IMPACT/INQUIRIES:  There is potential and likelihood for youth to receive assistance and programming that may deter them from committing further crimes.
RECOMMENDATIONS: Place on consent agenda and approve.

REVIEWED BY: FINANCE\_X\_LEGAL\_\_\_PLANNING \_\_\_MANAGER\_

JCPC Chair Elect; Melissa Moses, JCPC Coordinator

PREPARED BY: Melissa Moses, JCPC Coordinator; JCPC Chair; Michele Lemell,

# Juvenile Crime Prevention Council County Plan

# Buncombe County 2012-2013

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Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funded Program Descriptions

### **Executive Summary**

The Buncombe County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC), in fulfillment of the duties and responsibilities as set forth in the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, has completed the activities required to develop this County Plan for FY 2013.

The JCPC has identified the issues and factors which have an influence and impact upon delinquent youth, at-risk youth, and their families in Buncombe County. Further, the JCPC has identified the strategies and services most likely to reduce/prevent delinquent behavior.

<u>Priorities for Funding:</u> Through a risk and needs assessment and a resource assessment, the JCPC has determined that the following services are needed to reduce/prevent delinquency in Buncombe County.

- Mentoring
- Tutoring/Academic Enhancement
- Vocational Skills
- Mediation
- Restitution/Community Service
- Teen Court
- Structured Day
- Sex Offender Treatment
- Runaway Shelter
- Specialized Foster Care
- Temporary Foster Care

Monitoring and Evaluation: Each program funded in the past year by the JCPC has been monitored. The monitoring results and program outcomes evaluations were considered in making funding allocation decisions. The JCPC continues to conduct implementation monitoring of its action plan and its funded programs on a quarterly basis.

<u>Funding Recommendations:</u> Having published a Request for Proposals for these needed services for a minimum of thirty (30) days, the JCPC has screened the submitted proposals and has determined which proposals best meet the advertised needed services. As required

by statute, the JCPC recommends allocation of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety division of Juvenile Justice Funds to the following Programs in the amounts specified below

1,	Aspire Structured Day	\$42,363
2.	Buncombe County Teen Court	\$17,221
3.	Earn and Learn	\$211,205
4.	Home Based Services for Juvenile Sex Offenders	\$115,375
5.	Trinity Place	\$85,500
6.	Youth Mediation	\$20,900

The JCPC further recommends that the following amount be allocated from the Division of Juvenile Justice funds for the administrative cost of the Council for FY 12-13: \$15,500

Respectfully Submitted,

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Michele Lemell, Chair

Buncombe County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

June 1, 2012

# Buncombe County 2012-2013

## NC DPS, Division of Juvenile Justice County Funding Allocation

	Available Funds: \$_	\$508,064	Local N	latch: \$	\$167,842	Rate:	30%	
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#	Program Provider	DJJDP Funding	Local Cash County	Local Cash Other	Local In- Kind	State/ Federal	Total	% Non- DJJDP Program Revenues
ı	JCPC Administrative Funds	\$15,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,500	0%
2	Aspire Structured Day	\$42,363	\$0	\$10,509	\$2,200	\$248,818	\$303,890	86%
3	Buncombe County Teen Court	\$17,221	\$0	\$0	\$20,025	\$0	\$37,246	54%
s	Earn and Learn	\$211,205	\$0	\$0	\$64,375	\$0	\$275,580	23%
5	Home Based Services for Juvenile Sex Offenders	\$115,375	\$0	\$38,684	\$0	\$11,080	\$165,139	30%
6	Trinity Place	\$85,500	\$15,653	\$93,180	\$0	\$117,986	\$312,319	73%
7	Youth Mediation	\$20,900	\$0	\$9,816	\$0	\$0	\$30,716	32%
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	TOTALS:	\$508,064	\$15,653	\$152,189	\$86,600	\$377,884	\$1,140,390	55%
	Unallocated Funds	\$0						
	The above plan was derived throug Juvenile Crime Prevention Council and	• •	he County's	Plan for use	eliDer	s in FY	County 2012-2013	
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Chairperson, Board of County Commissioners

(Date)

# Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Organization

	Name	Organization	Title
Chairperson	Michele Lemell	Asheville City	Asheville City
		Schools	Schools District
			Coordinator and
			Health Educator
Vice-Chairperson	Fran Thigpen	Buncombe County	Buncombe County
			Director of Parks and
			Recreation
Secretary	Melissa Moses	Buncombe County	Buncombe County
			Juvenile Crime
		·	Prevention Council
			Coordinator
Assessment	Dawn Warren	Buncombe County	Buncombe County
Committee			Program Manager in
Chairperson			the Children's
			Services Division
Funding Committee	Michele Lemell	Asheville City	Asheville City
Chairperson		Schools	Schools District
			Coordinator and
			Health Educator

### Number of Members: 25

List meeting dates during the current fiscal year and identify the number of JCPC members in attendance for each.

Meeting Date	Number of Members in	Quorum Present? Yes/No
	Attendance	
July 28, 2011	14	Yes
September 15, 2011	11	No
November 17, 2011	15	Yes
January 19, 2012	16	Yes
March 29, 2012	16	Yes
May 17, 2012		

# SUMMARY REPORT OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

- I. Risk Assessment Summary
- II. Needs Assessment Summary
- III. Resource Assessment Summary
- IV. Summary of Gaps and Barriers in the Community Continuum
- V. Proposed Priority Services for Funding

### Part I Risk

The Risk and Needs Assessment Committee reviewed data gleaned from the Juvenile Risk Assessment instrument administered by Juvenile Court Counselors after juveniles are referred with a complaint alleging that a delinquent act has occurred and prior to adjudication of the juvenile. The Juvenile Risk Assessment is an instrument used to predict the likelihood of the juvenile being involved in future delinquent behavior. For some youth, some of the individual item ratings may be heavily dependent upon information reported by the juvenile or the parent(s). For these items (represented by percentages which with a star next to them), there is a likelihood of under-reporting the incidence of a particular behavior and the actual incidence may be higher than suggested by these figures. In those cases, the figure should be interpreted as a measure of the minimum level of occurrence.

### **Demographic and Other Observations**

Family substance abuse is under reported with the County at 13% reporting alcohol and drug abuse in the home.

School suspensions are disproportionate by race.

Due to the high volume of youth going through the court system, pre-court services continue to be available.

### Buncombe County Risk Factor Observations: FY 2010-2011

R7 School behavior problems –. The percentage of serious problems in Buncombe County rose from 37% in 2009-10 to 43% in 2010-11. The minor problems have decreased from 10% in 2009-10 to 7% in 2010-11. The States trend of serious problems has decreased while Buncombe County's trend increased. The moderate problems have stayed consistently the same for the State and the County.

R8 Relationships with Peers – The number of disposed youth who lack prosocial peers or sometimes associate with delinquent peers rose from 32% in 2009-2010 to 42% in 2010-2011 which is higher than the State which was at 40% in 2009-10 and 2010-11. The number of disposed youth who lack prosocial peers or sometimes associate with delinquent peers and those that regularly associate with delinquent peers is at 64% for the county compared to 56% in the state.

### Part II. Needs

The Risk and Needs Assessment Committee also reviewed data gleaned from the Juvenile Needs Assessment instrument administered by Juvenile Court Counselors prior to court disposition of a juvenile. The Juvenile Needs Assessment is an instrument used to examine a youth's needs in the various domains of his life: The Individual Domain, The School Domain, The Peer Domain, and the Community Domain. This instrument was designed to detect service intervention needs as an aid in service planning. As with the Juvenile Risk Assessment, some of the individual item ratings may be heavily dependent upon information reported by the juvenile or the parent(s). For these items (represented by percentages which with a star next to them), there is a likelihood of under-reporting the incidence of a particular behavior and the actual incidence may be higher than suggested by these figures. In those cases, the figure should be interpreted as a measure of the minimum level of occurrence.

### Buncombe County Elevated Needs Observations: FY 2010-2011

Y1 Peer Relationships – The percentage of youth who have positive peers in the County has dropped from 41% in 2009-10 to 34% in 2010-11, while the percentage of youth associating with delinquent peers some or on a regular basis has risen from 43% in 2009-10 to 49% in 2010-11. The State has stayed consistent at 33% with some association with delinquent peers.

Y3 Academic Functioning – The percentage of youth performing below grade level has risen from 4% in 2009-10 to 8% in 2010-11 while the percentage of youth that are performing at grade level and are appropriately placed has decreased from 96% in 2009-10 to 92% in 2010-11.

Y8 Mental health needs – In Buncombe County the youth that are referred to the court receive regular mental health assessments at 48% in 2010-2011, the State is at 32% in 2010-11. The State shows that 32% of youth need more mental health assessments and that ¾ of youth have mental health needs.

F2 Family supervision skills – In 2009-10 the County had 46% of youth with less than adequate parental supervision skills. That percentage has now rose to 53% with families that have marginal or inadequate family supervision skills.

F5 Family Criminality – 30% of youth in 2010-11 involved in the courts in Buncombe County have a family criminality history compared to the states percentage of 36% of youth who have family with a criminal background.

### Part III. Summary of the Existing Community Resources

See attached Continuum of Services

### Part IV. Summary of Gaps and Barriers in the Continuum of Services

- Day treatment and specialized placements for adjudicated youth sex offenders was a need that has been met because of the grant received by Barium Springs to serve level II youth.
- Tutoring services specifically targeted at court involved youth.
- · Skill based mentoring.
- There is a general community need for family supervision skills.
- Inpatient residential substance abuse services.

### Part V. Proposed Priority Services for Funding

The committee compared the services needed to address the elevated Juvenile Risk Factors and Juvenile Needs with services currently available in the community. Services which are currently available in the community and sufficient to meet the needs of court involved youth or those youth most at risk for court involvement are not considered as a priority for JCPC funding.

The Committee proposes that the following services be approved as the funding priorities for FY 2012-2013.

- Mentoring
- Tutoring/Academic Enhancement
- Vocational Skills
- Mediation
- · Restitution/Community Service
- Teen Court
- Structured Day
- Sex Offender Treatment
- Runaway Shelter
- Specialized Foster Care
- · Temporary Foster Care

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## Buncombe County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposals

\$508,00		30%		January 20, 2012				
Anticipated Count	y Allocation	Required Local Match Rate		Date Advertised				
publishes this Request for stated above to fund the	or Proposals. The program types spe	PC) has studied the risk factors and needs of Ju JCPC anticipates funds from the NC Dept. of Pu ecified below. Such programs will serve delinque se of these funds in this county requires a local	iblic Safety, Division of ent and at-risk youth t	of Juvenile Justice in the amount for the state fiscal year 2012-2013				
The JCPC will conside	r proposals for th	e following needed programs:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
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Vocational Skills		Restitution/Community Service	Specialize	d Foster Care				
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	Asheville, NO							
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# Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funding Decisions Summary

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Juvenile Sex Offenders	Other Other
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### **Buncombe JCPC Funded Program Descriptions**

### 2012-2013

Youth Mediation Program: The Youth Mediation Program serves youth with conflict resolution services including mediation, victim offender mediation, and truancy mediation and guided problem solving. The Youth Mediation Program empowers juveniles to manage and resolve conflicts. In mediation, youth communicate their feelings and needs regarding a problem. They are also asked to empathize with the other person by listening to their perspective on the situation. Outcomes are mutually defined by all participants through cooperation and negotiation, enhancing interpersonal and problem solving skills.

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Home Based Services for Juvenile Sex Offenders: Our program offers services to clients who have been adjudicated for a sexual offense and have been ordered by the court to participate in an evaluation and/or treatment. The objective of the program is to provide a broad range of services to allow these youth to remain in their homes, promote safety in the community, and to prevent further sexual abuse. Services include safety and treatment planning, case management, 24/7 on call, individual group and family therapy.

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<u>Trinity Place Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter</u>: Trinity Place provides a short term (15 days for less), co-ed emergency shelter for up to six youths ages 7 to 17 whom are homeless, have run away from home or are at risk of running. Trinity Place provides a safe, non-secure residential care for runaway and homeless youth as well as youth in need of respite. The program provides assistance aimed at reuniting the family or arranging appropriate long-term

placement. Trinity Place staff helps parents develop plans and family connectedness. While a youth is in care at Trinity Place, program staff attempt to help youth and families arrange for the long-term services that will help them work through on-going problems.

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<u>Earn and Learn</u>: The Earn and Learn Restitution Program is a post-adjudication restitution program for juvenile offenders. Its premise is that restitution is effective only if a juvenile accepts responsibility for his or her offenses and is committed to the principle of making amends to the victim. The program is initiated after a presentence investigation when a probation officer recommends the youth either for incarceration or for probation. Those recommended for probation may also be placed into the restitution program.

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Teen Court: Teen Court is an early intervention program that is both community service and community resource based. Teen Court serves first time youthful offenders who admit guilt to their actions and are given an opportunity to be heard in a court of their peers with an adult judge. Its purpose it to require young people to take responsibility for their actions and to allow the community to take an active role in addressing juvenile crime. It is designed to provide a community-based alternative to the formal court process, as well as divert caseloads for the juvenile court counselors. The program addresses an accountability approach that encourages a sense of responsibility on the part of the juvenile and their families. Teen court permits redirection of the available juvenile court time and resources to focus on more at risk offenders. In addition, it is hoped that these approaches will reduce the likelihood of juveniles re-offending and minimize negative labeling of referred youth. The program utilizes over 80 volunteers in Buncombe County from Baliff, clerk of courts, adult judges and youth attorney's and jurors who

are trained twice a year and volunteer to prepare youth cases. We have a high percentage of our defendants who maintain a C average come back and participate after their mandatory sentence is complete.

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Aspire Structured Day: The Aspire Structured Day program operates Monday through Friday from 8am to 3pm and serves court-involved/at-risk youth ages 10-17. It provides academics, mental health, and substance abuse interventions in an integrated manner during the program day. It consists of academic classes, skill building groups, and counseling services, as well as transportation to/from the program daily. There are also opportunities for enrichment field trips and community service activities. Parent support and training is also offered to families, including afterhours if necessary.

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