

# Justice Services RFP FY2021 Recommendations

May 2020



## Agenda

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## Request for Proposals

#### **FY2021 Service Planning**

- Competitive bid has not occurred for many contracts since their award dates
- Ensure compliance with County policy
- Evaluate in-house option for cost savings and improved efficiencies

#### **RFP Process**

- February 14 2020: Issued a Request for Proposals for Justice Services.
- Elements of the RFP included background, structure, services, fiscal provisions and application questions
- The components of the RFP are grouped by services areas to include: Justice Resource Center, Jail Re-entry Services, Treatment Courts, and Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Services
- Organizations may bid to the full continuum or any portion of services

## Considerations

### **Industry Standards**

- North Carolina
  - Administrative Office of the Courts
  - Durham County
  - Orange County
  - Mecklenburg County
  - Union County
- Across the Nation
  - Stepping Up Initiative
  - Safety and Justice Challenge
  - Department of Justice

### **Expected Outcomes**

- Cost savings with increase efficiencies-allocation of funds
- Comprehensive and streamline approach to processes, oversight and program accountability
- Eliminate duplication and inconsistencies across services
- Increase program effectiveness and efficiency with service provisions (staffing, program data, outcomes, program design etc.)
- Reduce reliance on County staff providing inkind support (administrative and programmatic) contracted agencies to include data management, community outreach, stakeholder engagement, fiscal management of grants, IT support, case management database, office supplies, office space, etc.
- Minimize risk with Code of Federal Regulations, such as 42 CFR Part 2

## Overview of Submissions

#### Service Areas Included in RFP

- 1. Justice Resource Center
  - Case Management
  - Front Desk
  - Juvenile Misdemeanor Diversion Program (JMDP)
  - Adult Misdemeanor Diversion Program (AMDP)
  - Adult Felony Drug Diversion (FDD)
  - Career Navigation
- 2. Jail Re-entry Services
- 3. Treatment Courts
  - Adult Drug Treatment Court
  - DWI/Sobriety Court
  - Family Drug Treatment Court
  - Veterans Treatment Court
- 4. Trauma-informed IPV Offender Services
  - Batterers Intervention
  - Trauma-informed IPV Services

#### **RFP Submissions: 9 total including in-house**

#### Justice Resource Center:

• 5 proposals (2 single service)

#### Jail Re-entry:

• 3 proposals

#### **Treatment Courts:**

• 4 proposals (2 single service)

#### Trauma Informed IPV

• 2 proposals (1 single service)



### **In-house Recommendations**

## Service Area 1: Justice Resource Center

#### **Buncombe County**

#### **Recommendation:**

County would provide all services listed above. Staffing for these programs includes 6 individuals: 1 diversion services supervisor, administrative assistant, program coordinators for AMDP, FDD, and JMDP, and a case manager to provide career navigation.

## **Service Area 3: Treatment Courts**

#### **Buncombe County**

#### **Recommendation:**

County would provide all services listed above. Buncombe County is currently is the fiscal agent for 2 treatment court grants, that fund 3 of the 4 treatment courts and is contracted with two agencies.



### **Contract Recommendations**

Service Area 2: Jail Re-Entry Services

**Service Area 4: Batterers Intervention** 

Service Area 4: Trauma-informed IPV Offender Services

#### **RHA Health Services, Inc.**

#### **Recommendation:**

RHA Health Services to continue providing jail re-entry services
Partnership with BCSO to yield better outcomes with jail re-entry services and minimize impact to County count of positions.

#### **SPARC**

#### **Recommendation:**

SPARC has been the County's BIP provider since 2015 and continues to hold necessary certification to provide BIP.

Recently implemented innovative practice with the Domestic Violence Risk and Needs Assessment (DVRNA)

#### Helpmate

#### **Recommendation:**

Proceed with Helpmate's proposal. Helpmate has already has been doing some minimal LAP coordination with BCSO and APD but they currently do not have a set role for this, which has impacted their capacity to consistently engage all LEAs.



## **Buncombe County Justice Services**

#### **Justice Resource Center**

- 1 Supervisor
- 1 AMDP Coordinator
- 1 FDD Coordinator
- 1 JMDP Coordinator
- 1 Case Manager
- 1 Admin Specialist

## Treatment Court

- 1 Supervisor
- 1 ADTC Coordinator
- 1 FDTC Coordinator
- 1 Sobriety Court Coordinator
- 1 Veterans Treatment Court
- 11 new positions (9 regular, 2 grant funded)
   with no impact to the budget





## **Next Steps: Year 1 Transition**

### July 2020-December 2020

 Bridge contracts with existing providers for Justice Resource Center and Treatment Courts

### **January 2021-July 2021**

- Buncombe County would provide services for Justice Resource Center and Treatment Court Service areas
- Number of Additional County Positions Requested: 11 (2 time limited grant funded)



## **FY21 Contract Awards**

Jail Re-Entry • RHA Health Services

• \$213,331 (\$74,446 General Funds)

**Batterers Intervention** 

SPARC

• \$ 107,625

Trauma-informed IPV Offender Services

Helpmate

• \$79,000

**Total** 

• \$399,956



## Budgetary Recommendations Service Area 1,2,3

Available Revenue:				
	Amo	Amount		
County Funds	\$	942,586		
Recommended Expense:	Tota	al Expense		
SA 1: Justice Resource Center	\$	549,170		
SA 2: Jail Reentry	\$	74,446		
SA 3: Treatment Courts	\$	262,614		
Total	\$	886,231		
Balance	\$	56,355		





## Budgetary Recommendations Service Area 4

Available Revenue:					
		Amount			
	County Funding	\$	188,000		
Expense:		Total Expense			
	Batterers Intervention Program	\$	107,625		
	Trauma-informed IPV Services	\$	79,000		
	Total	\$	186,625		
	Balance	\$	1,375		





### **Recommended Motion**

- Approval of 11 additional positions:
  - 9 regular
  - 2 grant-funded (Veterans Treatment Court & DWI/Sobriety Court)
- Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and enter into contracts for the following:
  - Jail Re-entry Services: RHA Health Services, \$213,331
  - Batterer Intervention Program: SPARC, \$107,625
  - Lethality Assessment Protocol Coordination: Helpmate \$79,000



# Questions

