

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action Meeting Date: 2/21/2023

Good News

Department: Justice Services

Presenter(s): Tiffany Iheanacho, Justice Services Director

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Subject: Academy Court Recognition - National Center for DWI Courts

Brief Summary: Developed in collaboration with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), *the National Center for DWI Courts (NCDC)* Academy Court Network identifies exemplary DWI courts to host foundational trainings, receive staff from other jurisdictions for site visits, and play a significant role in participating in research and media. The Buncombe County Sobriety Court Team has diligently worked over the last 9 years to develop policies and procedures that adhere to the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) Best Practice Standards for Treatment Courts. This award is a culmination of years of training and implementing changes/ideas from past Sobriety Court participants.