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Funds available for Juvenile Delinquency Interventions

Approximately \$83,963 in state funding will be awarded to local non-profits and public agencies to assist in funding a variety of innovative projects for delinquent and at-risk youth. There will be two Applicant Orientations available and it is mandatory that a representative attend one of the orientations if the program is not currently funded by the JCPC. The first orientation will be Monday, October 28th, 2019, from 9:00am – 1:00pm at 2090 US Highway 70, Swannanoa, NC 28778. The second orientation opportunity will be Monday, November 25th, 2019, from 9:00am – 1:00pm with the location to be determined. The application deadline is Monday, December 2nd by 11:00am. All new applications for programs not currently funded must submit an application in NC Allies and 15 hard copies submitted to Melissa Moses at 35 Woodfin Street Asheville, 28801 on the main level. If your agency is currently funded by the JCPC you must submit by email the pre-application and budget narrative along with 15 hard copies of the pre-application and the budget narrative to Melissa Moses at 35 Woodfin Street Asheville, 28801 on the main level. The allocations hearing date will be Thursday, December 5th, 2019 at 200 College Street on the 4th floor in room 404.

The JCPC planning committee observed the following risk factors.

R6 – Known Use – Alcohol, Illegal Drugs (prior 12 months) Buncombe County in 2017-18 is reporting 40% ** of youth having some substance abuse use and need further assessment and have substance abuse and an assessment or treatment is needed. That is higher than the state rate of 32%.

R7 – School Behavior Problems (prior 12 months) Buncombe County shows an increase in serious school behavior problems from 42% in 2016-17 to 48% in 2017-18. 75% are documented being in the moderate to serious school behavior problems.

R8 – Relationship with Peers. In Buncombe County 35% of youth in 2017-18 lacks prosocial peers or sometimes associate with delinquent others. 13% in 2017-18 regularly associate with others involved in delinquent activity.

The JCPC planning committee observed the following elevated needs factors.

- Y1 Peer Relationships. In Buncombe County in 2017-18, 23% of youth have some association with delinquent peers and 13% have regular association with delinquent peers.
- Y2 School Behavior/Adjustment. In 2017-18 Buncombe County and the State report a rate of 75% of youth having moderate to serious school behavior problems. Buncombe County's rate for serious school behavior problems has steadily increase from 34% in 2014-15 to 39% in 2015-16 to 41% in 2016-17 and there is an increase to 48% in 2017-18.
- Y4 Substance Abuse within Past 12 Months. In Buncombe County in 2017-18, 29% ** of youth report some abuse use and need further assessment. That is an increase in the last two years and a large increase from 23% in 2016-17. It is a significant increase from the state rate for 2017-18 at 20%.
- Y8 Mental Health Needs. In Buncombe County there is an increase from 37% in 2016-17 to 39% in 2017-18 in the youth that need additional mental health care assessment or treatment. This is higher than the state rate of 35% in 2017-18.
- F1 Conflict in Home within past 12 months. In Buncombe County in 2017-18, 34% of youth are reporting domestic discord or domestic violence in the home. This is an increase from 30% in 2016-17.
- F2 Family Supervision Skills. In Buncombe County in 2017-18, 51% of youth report marginal or inadequate family supervision skills which is an increase from 2016-17 at 50%.
- F5 Family Criminality. In Buncombe County in 2017-18, 55% of youth report family criminal history that is higher than the state rate of 39%.

The JCPC proposes that the following services be approved as the funding priorities for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the Raise the Age funds.

Priority 1: Restitution/Community Service

Priority 2: Sex Offender Treatment

Priority 3: Teen Court

Priority 4: Vocational Skills
Priority 5: Interpersonal Skills
Priority 6: Runaway Shelter
Priority 7: Structured Day

Priority 8: Mentoring Priority 9: Tutoring

Priority 10: Experiential Skills

The Allocations Committee of the Buncombe County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) is responsible for reviewing and allocating funds to programs designed to serve delinquent and at risk youth and reduce the number of youth who enter the state's youth development centers. Any non-profits or public agency that is not currently JCPC funded and is interested in applying for JCPC funds is *required* to send a representative to one of the applicant orientations.

Below are the important dates.

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- Allocations Hearing is Thursday, December 5th, 2019 beginning at 8:30am at 200
 College Street on the 4th floor in room 404.
- For more information, please contact Melissa Moses, JCPC Coordinator at 828-776-7204 or visit http://CP.NCDJJDP.ORG/CP where you can find the application in NC ALLIES.