

ADDENDUM

MARTINSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

July 26, 2016

7:30 pm – REGULAR SESSION ADDENDUM

1. Consider support of a grant application to provide funding for implementation of community based pre-trial and/or local probation services.

Meeting Date: July 26, 2016

Item No: Addendum 1

Department: City Manager

Issue: Consider support of a grant application to provide funding for implementation of community based pre-trial and/or local probation services.

Summary: The City of Martinsville (along with Henry and Patrick Counties) is one of very few localities in the Commonwealth not currently providing community-based pretrial and/or local probation services. These services can be used in certain cases to provide for the release of individuals in pretrial status, or placement in probation status of individuals convicted of a misdemeanor or felony that is not a felony act of violence for which the court has imposed a sentence of 12 months or less. The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services has made available grant funding of \$1.5 million in FY17 and \$2 million in FY18 to initiate these programs in non-served localities. A meeting was recently held with City and County staff, Sheriff's Dept. representatives, and the Commonwealth Attorney's office, as well as communications with local judges and support for pursuing funding to implement the programs has been unanimous.

Two methods are available to our locality to pursue grant funding – either create and implement a local Pretrial/Community Corrections Agency, or partner with an existing agency in a contiguous locality to expand services to this locality. Representatives from the Martinsville/Henry County/Patrick County localities were recently contacted by Freda Holliday, Director of Halifax/Pittsylvania Court Services who currently runs such programs in Halifax and Pittsylvania Counties as well as the City of Danville, offering to partner and pursue these services for Martinsville, Henry County, and Patrick County. There will be no direct financial impact on our communities and the only obligation will be to provide some in-kind services such as office space.

Attachments: Map showing status of community –based probation and pretrial services throughout the state; grant information; letter of support.

Recommendations: Staff recommends approval of the letter of support to be signed by the Mayor as well as authorization for the City Manager or his designee to execute documents that may be required to apply for and implement these programs.

Council Members
Danny Turner, Mayor
Jennifer Bowles, Vice-Mayor
Sharon Brooks-Hodge
Mark Stroud
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City Manager
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July 26, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

By action of the Martinsville City Council at their regular meeting on July 26, 2016, please consider this letter as the City of Martinsville's support for an application for grant funding to implement community-based probation and pretrial services, none of which are currently provided in our locality.

This letter of support is with the understanding that a partnership with Halifax/Pittsylvania Court Services is the most economical option to implement these programs for our locality and the most efficient manner to pursue grant funding from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

We look forward to offering these services locally. Should you have questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Danny Turner
Mayor

Community-Based Probation and Pretrial Services*

Administrative & Fiscal Agents and Localities Served**

Accomack.....	<u>Accomack</u> , <u>Northampton</u>
Albemarle.....	Albemarle, Charlottesville, Fluvanna, <u>Goochland</u> , Greene, Louisa, Madison, Nelson, Orange
Alexandria.....	Alexandria
Arlington.....	Arlington, Falls Church
Chesapeake.....	Chesapeake
Chesterfield.....	Chesterfield, Colonial Heights
Culpeper.....	<u>Culpeper</u>
Fairfax County.....	Fairfax City, Fairfax County
Fauquier.....	Fauquier, Rappahannock
Frederick.....	Clarke, Frederick, <u>Page</u> , <u>Shenandoah</u> , <u>Warren</u> , Winchester
Fredericksburg.....	Fredericksburg, King George, Spotsylvania, Stafford
Gloucester.....	Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews, Middlesex
Greensville.....	Brunswick, Emporia, Greensville, Sussex
Halifax.....	Danville, Halifax, Pittsylvania
Hampton.....	Hampton, Newport News
Hanover.....	Caroline, Hanover
Henrico.....	Henrico
James City County.....	Charles City County, James City County, New Kent, Poquoson, Williamsburg, York
Loudoun.....	Loudoun
Lynchburg.....	Bedford, Campbell, Lynchburg

Mecklenburg.....	Mecklenburg
Norfolk.....	Norfolk
Petersburg.....	<u>Dinwiddie</u> , Petersburg
Portsmouth.....	Portsmouth
Prince Edward.....	Amelia, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, <u>Lunenburg</u> , <u>Nottoway</u> , <u>Powhatan</u> , <u>Prince Edward</u>
Prince George.....	Hopewell, Prince George, Surry
Prince William.....	Manassas, Manassas Park, Prince William
Pulaski.....	Bland, Carroll, Floyd, Galax, Giles, Grayson, Montgomery, Pulaski, Radford, Wythe
Richmond City.....	Richmond City
Rockingham.....	Harrisonburg, Rockingham
Salem.....	<u>Alleghany</u> , <u>Bath</u> , <u>Botetourt</u> , <u>Covington</u> , <u>Craig</u> , <u>Roanoke City</u> , <u>Roanoke County</u> , <u>Salem</u>
Staunton.....	Augusta, Buena Vista, Highland, <u>Lexington</u> , <u>Rockbridge</u> , Staunton, Waynesboro
Suffolk.....	<u>Franklin City</u> , <u>Isle of Wight</u> , <u>Southampton</u> , <u>Suffolk</u>
Tazewell***	<u>Tazewell</u>
Virginia Beach.....	Virginia Beach
Westmoreland.....	Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond County, Westmoreland
Wise.....	Bristol, Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Norton, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise

* Localities with probation only are underlined.

** Thirty-two (32) pretrial agencies serving 99 counties and cities.

*** Thirty-seven (37) local probation agencies serving 127 counties and cities.

Local probation only; pretrial services provided by Wise.



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Department of Criminal Justice Services

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Memorandum

To: City Managers and County Administrators of Eligible Localities

From: Francine C. Ecker, Director 

CC: All Local Probation and Pretrial Services Agency Directors

Subject: Announcement of New Grant Funding for Expansion of Pretrial Services and/or Local Probation to Unserved Localities

The Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) is pleased to announce the availability of grant funding for the Expansion of Pretrial Services and/or Local Probation to unserved localities for FY2017 under the Pretrial Services Act (PSA) and the Comprehensive Community Corrections Act for Local-Responsible Offenders (CCCA) set forth in §§19.2-152.2 et seq. and 9.1-173 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*. The PSA and the CCCA funding provide an array of community-based services and sanctions administered and managed at the local level. Participation in these two Acts is a local option. More information about these services and agency functions can be found on the DCJS website at [PSA and CCCA Information](#) and in the [Pretrial Services Act \(PSA\) set forth in §19.2-152.2](#) and the [Comprehensive Community Corrections Act for Local-Responsible Offenders \(CCCA\) in §9.1-173 et seq.](#) of the *Code of Virginia*.

The Governor and the General Assembly appropriated \$1.5 million in grant funding for FY17 and \$2.0 million for FY18 to facilitate the expansion of pretrial services and/or local probation. This funding would enable you to provide pretrial services and/or local probation to residents of your locality. DCJS will award funds through a competitive grant process for one of the following models:

1. Expanding the services currently provided by a local probation agency to include pretrial services;
2. Partnering with an existing local probation and/or pretrial services agency in a contiguous jurisdiction to expand services to your locality; or
3. Creating and implementing a new local Pretrial/Community Corrections Agency in accordance the Pretrial Services Act (PSA) and the Comprehensive Community Corrections Act for Local-Responsible Offenders (CCCA) set forth in §§19.2-152.2 et seq. and 9.1-173 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*.

DCJS invites you to send a letter of intent if you anticipate applying for funding for your locality. The letter should include which model you expect to pursue and which existing agency you anticipate collaborating with, if applicable. Please describe in the letter the commitment from the stakeholders who are most affected or involved with your efforts to expand services (Judges, sheriff/jail administrator(s), Commonwealth Attorney(s), public defenders/indigent defense). Please submit this letter electronically to DCJS by June 20, 2016, to cccapsa@dcjs.virginia.gov. This letter is not binding; however, it will give us a sense of which localities may be interested in seeking funds for these purposes.

DCJS expects to issue a Grant Guideline in June 2016 outlining eligibility and how to apply for funding, allowing adequate time for you to prepare for the grant submission. Please be aware that we anticipate a competitive process; it is likely that not all requests will be funded. If you have any questions, contact Ken Rose at (804) 225-4329 or Paula Harpster at (804) 786-1140.