REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 9.

DATE OF MEETING: May 2, 2011

REQUESTED BY: Dee Turner, Chairperson of Pender County JCPC

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Approving the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council's Annual Plan, Board Members and Funding Recommendations for FY 2011-2012

BACKGROUND: The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) is a state mandated county board tasked with overseeing the distribution of state funds for programs serving youth who are currently in the juvenile justice system or are at-risk of entering it. The Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DJJDP) has indicated that there may be up to a 10% reduction in the amount of money that will be received for FY 2011-2012. Therefore, the Pender County JCPC has based our funding recommendations on a 10% reduction which calculates to $102,232 for FY 2011-2012. To receive these funds, the JCPC must complete an Annual Plan. The major component of this plan is doing an assessment summary of the risks, needs and available resources for the youth of Pender County. As a result of these assessment summaries, the following needs were determined and prioritized: 1) Psychological/Counseling Services, 2) Restitution/Community Service, 3) Teen Court Services and 4) Interpersonal Skill Building.. A request for proposals was advertised for programs that could meet these identified needs. Based on proposals received, the Pender County JCPC recommends that the following programs receive funding:

Juvenile Restitution/Community Service	$25,250
Teen Court	$18,840
Psychological Services	$48,500
JCPC Administration	$ 9,642

If funding is reduced by less than 10%, those monies will be allocated for a variation of the Achieving Adventure proposal which was received.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution approving the JCPC's Annual Plan, Board Members and Funding Recommendations for FY 2011-2012.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the Board hereby authorizes approval of the Annual Plan, Board Members and Funding Recommendations for FY 2011-2012 as recommended by the Pender County JCPC based on the projected amount of $102,232 to be received by the County from the North Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. The Chairman and/or County Manager is authorized to execute any/all agreements necessary to implement the resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED_____ SECONDED_____

APPROVED_____ DENIED_____UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Brown___ Tate ___ Rivenbark ___ Ward___Williams ___

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George R. Brown, Chairman Date

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ATTEST Date

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Executive Summary

The Pender 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 reviewed and updated the County Plan for FY 2008-2009 through FY 2011-2012.

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

JCPC Action Plan Progress:

Over the past two years the JCPC has worked diligently to recruit members that are able to make the meetings on a consistent basis. By changing the meeting date and time we have been able to have the Chief District Court Judge and a school representative attend meetings on a regular basis. Their input and ideas have been very beneficial to the Council. The Council has on-going efforts to recruit new members.

The JCPC has also participated in public awareness campaigns to inform the citizens of the county about the JCPC and its roles and responsibilities. The Council recently participated in a gang awareness event held at Pender High school. Additional events are currently being scheduled.

The JCPC is in the planning phase to develop a website for the JCPC. The County has given approval to create a link to the webpage from the County's website. Council members are very excited about the implementation of a webpage and agencies who receive JCPC funding will also be included, giving a description of their program and contact information.

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

1 Psychological/Counseling Services
2 Restitution/Community Service
3 Teen Court
4 Interpersonal Skill Building – focusing on afterschool programming for youth ages 12-17

Monitoring and Evaluation: Each program funded in the past year by the JCPC has been monitored. The monitoring results and program outcome 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. (Please see Attached Monitoring Reports)

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Funding Recommendations: 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 NC Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (NC DJJDP) Funds to the following Programs in the amounts specified below for the upcoming fiscal year: (See JCPC Funding Allocations page):

1. Court Psychological Services *$48,500*
2. Juvenile Restitution Program *$25,250*
3. Teen Court *$18,840*
4. Achieving Adventure (pending allocation) *$11,359*

(Please see attached program description pages)

The JCPC further recommends that the following amount be allocated from the NC DJJDP funds for the administrative costs of the Council for the upcoming fiscal year: ***$ 9,642***

Respectfully Submitted,

Dee Turner

Chair, Pender County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Date: March 30, 2011