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Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) Allocations Hearing Minutes October 12, 2022 12 – 2pm

Hybrid: Virtually via Zoom

Welcome and Introductions/Review of Meeting: Tim Henderson, Chair, opened the meeting with welcome, introductions, and a brief orientation for the Allocations Meeting process.

- The JCPC Executive Committee served as the Allocations Committee for this special session to reallocate the remaining FY2022-2023 funds of \$84,902 that were originally allocated towards Trinity Place. Due to the program's closure on 5/15/2022, all these funds need to be reallocated by December 31, 2022.
- The Executive Committee is serving as the core Allocations Committee members and other interested JCPC members were welcome to attend.

Attendees:

- Voting Members/Admin Support: Tim Henderson (JCPC Chair), Suzanne Avett (Vice-Chair),
 Jeremy Bricker, Angel Redmond
- Non-Voting Members/Admin Support: Sylvia Clement (abstains from Allocations voting), Hannah Legerton, Lorraine Williams, Vanessa Conley
- Programs: Buncombe Alternatives: Karen Peerson; Aspire: Robin Frasier; PIVOTPoint: Matt Nannis; Buncombe County Youth Justice Clinical Program: Tiffany Iheanacho; Eliada CCA Program Application: Sarah Dickerson, Sabra Ball, Andrew D'Onofrio.

Program Presentations: Presenters had 5 minutes to present, and 5 minutes for Q & A

- Buncombe County Teen Court: Karen Peerson
 - o Reported that Teen Court is back in the Courtroom.
 - Funding request related to increases in costs of benefits (insurance), audit, office lease, postage, and fuel.
 - o Have seen an increase in referrals, and reports program is moving along well.
 - Discussed multi-year funding, how it allows flexibility of knowing which funds will be there, sees a clear benefit, and would be in favor of moving to multi-year funding.
 - Teen Court request of \$8050.
- Earn and Learn Restitution: Karen Peerson
 - Program and referrals are moving along.
 - o Funding request related to increases in costs of gas, benefits, and office related staff.
 - o In favor of multi-year grant funding.
 - Earn and Learn request of \$8600.
 - o Total/combined request for both Buncombe Alternatives programs of \$16,650.
- Aspire: Robin Frasier

- Culinary-based food program that provides transportation for youth.
- Request related to increases tied to inflation and higher fuel costs, along with unexpected staff van repairs and computer expenses.
- Aspire request of \$6607.
- PIVOTPoint WNC: Matt Nannis
 - Request for service enhancements to increase safety precautions for comprehensive therapeutic outings serving more clinically complex clients. Two Masters level Licensed Mental Health Clinician contractors will provide skilled clinical lens during intakes and assessments, and provide clinical oversight of client progression during the program.
 - In favor of the multi-year funding.
 - o PIVOTPoint request of \$13,556.
- Buncombe County Youth Justice Clinical Program: Tiffany Iheanacho
 - Justice Services proposing to hire a Masters Level MH Clinician that can provide CCAs.
 This position is currently requested at 0.75FTE, individual counseling can also be included if expanded.
 - This would be a position posted to be filled with match funds available.
 - In favor of the multi-year funding.
 - \$31,638 is current proposal for 6 months; could apply for 12 month funding in the spring.
- Eliada CCA Program Application: Sabra Ball, Sarah Dickerson, Andrew D'Onofrio
 - Proposal to meet assessment needs of youth ages 12-21 year olds in need of CCAs.
 - Focus on Medicaid beneficiaries and building additional funding outside of Medicaid reimbursements to be factored in for additional assessments and staffing.
 - o In favor of multi-year funding.
 - Eliada Homes request of \$3821.

Open Deliberations:

- Discussion, questions and clarification from the committee for programs, including whether
 programs would be able to receive JCPC funds in addition to Medicaid reimbursements.
 Discussion included acknowledgement lack of MH clinicians throughout this field, and Medicaid
 reimbursements being low and not always covering the full cost of assessments.
- Eliada staff clarified that JCPC funds would cover more of the administrative staff and not the actual assessment, and discussed potential to change proposal to focus on uninsured clients, however would need to increase the proposed rate per person.
- Lorraine Williams was able to confirm that federal funds (e.g. Medicaid funds) cannot be a match for JCPC dollars. JCPC funds can be used for non-Medicaid youth, whether uninsured or underinsured. Agencies can still serve youth with Medicaid, though services would not be billable as part of the JCPC funded program.
- Tim Henderson proposed moving forward with funding all requests as requested, except the
 Eliada Home request to give that time to readjust given information discussed. Jeremy Bricker
 made motion as proposed, Suzanne Avett seconded, Sylvia Clement abstained, all others in
 favor, the motion carried.
- The recommendations will brought to the full JCPC next week to fund proposals approved today totaling \$68,451 out of \$84,902 available. Eliada Homes may come back with additional numbers to adjust their proposal.

- Discussed reallocation of remaining FY2022-2023 funds (\$16,451): existing programs may submit a brief emailed proposal. Executive Board will converse via email before next Thursday's full JCPC meeting regarding process to reallocate the final remaining funds. An email will be sent with deadline for proposals.
- Tim Henderson proposed to open discussion at that meeting regarding multi-year funding and timeframes with plan to vote on multi-year funding in December.

Tim Henderson motioned for the meeting to adjourn, Jeremy Bricker seconded, all in favor, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

