

RESOLUTION #
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT
APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

- WHEREAS,** Buncombe County has been the recipient of Criminal Justice Partnership Program funding in the past; and
- WHEREAS,** the purpose of the grant program is to fund resource Center programs, that functions as, treatment oriented facilities with substance abuse services, employment services and education services provided on site; and
- WHEREAS,** Judges may sentence offenders to the Resource Centers as a condition of supervised probation; and
- WHEREAS,** Resource Centers work in tandem with the Division of Community Corrections to provide both control and treatment, which together offer increased structure; and
- WHEREAS,** the grant requires the Board's approval prior to submission of documents; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board feels that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Buncombe County to comply with these requirements and continue to receive funding that will help reduce recidivism, reduce the cost of incarceration to the state and to counties, and to help improve the lives of offenders with substance abuse needs, educational needs, and employment needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

- 1 That the Board does hereby authorize the submission and filing of these documents, including all understanding and assurances contained therein.
- 2 That the Board does hereby authorize its County Manager as its official representative to execute these documents related to the Criminal Justice Partnership Program including the Grant Agreement, Funding Approval, and other documents required to undertake the implementation of the grant.
- 3 That this Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

Adopted the 5th day of April, 2011.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

Kathy Hughes, Clerk to the Board

By: _____
David Gantt, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Frue, County Attorney

AGENDA ITEM: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

CURRENT STATUS: The North Carolina Department of Correction, Division of Community Corrections, Criminal Justice Partnership Program offers annual continuation of implementation funding for Resource Centers throughout the state. Buncombe County annually applies for this funding.

BACKGROUND SUMMARY: Buncombe County currently operates a Resource Center program. Last year the program received an allocation of \$163,585 for continued implementation and operation. This year's grant request will be: \$162,961. The Resource Center contracts with service providers for substance abuse treatment and GED classes, as well as for group counseling for offenders. The Probation office works intricately with the Resource Center in managing offenders and in meeting the needs of the courts.

COMMUNITY IMPACT/INQUIRIES: Resource Centers help communities lower the cost of incarceration, and offer services to offenders with employment needs, educational needs, and substance abuse needs.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Place on consent agenda and approve.

REVIEWED BY: FINANCE___ LEGAL___ PLANNING X MANAGER___
PREPARED BY: Kevin Hickey