



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015, 7 P.M.
ROBERT E. HIBBITTS MEETING ROOM
1924 COURTHOUSE, NEWTON, N.C.**



The Board approved a proposed Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Plan for the Catawba County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC). The Plan includes the JCPC-recommended proposed funding plan. The JCPC is an organization established by the North Carolina Department of Public Safety's Division of Juvenile Justice. It exists to identify risks of youth in the community; prevent crime among at-risk youth; review court data; and identify needed programs to provide intervention and prevention. Funding is allocated by the State, distributed to the County and then to programs. Membership is determined mostly by the North Carolina General Statute that established the JCPC. Representatives on the Council are those involved with youth.

Every year, the JCPC must follow a process that begins with prioritizing risks and needs, with the final step being approval of a funding plan. The risks and needs priorities are determined in the fall and early winter, and approval of the funding plan occurs in the spring. Steps in developing the plan include identification of risk factors based on court data, development of a list of priorities to address risk factors, and review and approval of priorities. Once priorities are developed, the JCPC advertises for programs to submit proposals to address risk factors, reviews proposals and recommends a funding plan to the JCPC, which is subject to the State of North Carolina budget.

In the spring, and once proposals are received, the JCPC develops an annual plan and submits the Plan to the Board of Commissioners. The State has advised local JCPCs to plan for the same funding as received in FY 2015, which is \$328,946. The recommended funding for next year and the services provided are as follows: Alexander Youth Network for crisis beds: \$15,600; Conflict Resolution Center: \$48,428, for mediation and interpersonal skill building; Family Net: \$149,418, for psychological assessments, substance abuse and sex offender treatment and counseling; Parenting Education: \$35,000, for parenting/family skill building; Phoenix Group Homes: \$7,500; Project Challenge: \$60,000, for restitution/community service, and JCPC Administration: \$13,000. The Plan does not require any County funding. The Board's Finance and Personnel Subcommittee recommended approval of the recommended JCPC Funding Plan.

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