

Item Title: Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan and Certification for Fiscal Year 2027

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners adopts the Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2027 and affixes signatures on the appropriate forms.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The local Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) develops the annual plan, setting priorities for funding in the next year. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) requires the Board of Commissioners in each County to approve the Council's annual plan before releasing DPS funds.

Background: JCPC funds are made available to Wake County from the North Carolina DPS Division of Juvenile Justice to provide community-based delinquency and gang prevention strategies and programs. State statute sets the intent and responsibilities for JCPCs. The statute requires representation from local government, local public and private agencies serving juveniles and their families, local business leaders, citizens with an interest in youth problems, and youth representatives to participate in plan development.

Wake County's JCPC uses the funds to provide services such as skill building programs for youth suspended from school, after school and weekend life-skills programs, literacy programs, emergency residential placement, restitution and community service programming, and parenting programs.

Strategic Plan: This action supports Safer Communities Together Goal 3: By 2029, reduce the Wake County violent crime rate per 100,000 people in Wake County by 5%.

Fiscal Impact: The total state funding for the Wake County JCPC is \$1,849,659 and has been included as part of the Fiscal Year 2027 annual budget.

Additional Information:

After considering the risk and needs of Wake County youth, the JCPC prioritized strengthening services for youth who may have been exposed to trauma or may be serious or violent offenders. This includes but is not limited to services for gang-involved youth. For Fiscal Year 2027, NC DPS allocated \$1,849,659 for Wake County. The Fiscal Year 2027 JCPC funding commitment for specific programs is illustrated in the table below. A 30% local match is required from selected agencies. The matching contribution for each agency is listed in the Local Cash and In-Kind March column below.

Agency	Program	FY27 DPS Funding	Local Cash and In-Kind Match	Total
Wake County Manager's Office	JCPC Administration	\$10,000	N/A	\$10,000
CORRAL Riding Academy	Equine Assisted Psychotherapy	\$145,250	\$599,126	\$749,126
Haven House	Juvenile Diversion Team	\$152,476	\$143,823	\$296,299
	Community Service/Restitution	\$333,299	\$104,547	\$437,846
	Second Round	\$63,250	\$169,756	\$233,006
	Wrenn House	\$142,500	\$575,693	\$718,193
Criminal Justice Alternatives	Teen Court	\$278,991	\$92,343	\$371,334
Grow Your World	Tutoring After 6pm	\$130,000	\$150,720	\$280,720
Wake County Cooperative Extension	4H Spaces	\$200,000	\$75,681	\$275,681
	SPACESTOO	\$85,000	\$81,692	\$166,692
	AIRSPACES	\$69,995	\$21,081	\$91,076
Empowered Citizens	Alternative Peer Group Program	\$123,558	\$39,800	\$163,358
JLBC	The Art of Hustling Forward Program	\$115,340	\$34,480	\$149,820
Totals		\$1,849,659	\$2,088,742	\$3,938,401

Attachments:

1. Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan for FY 2026-2027
2. Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funding Plan FY 2026-2027
3. Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification FY 2026-2027