

JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT

Probation-VJCCCA

Description

In 1996, funding through the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA) replaced the State Block Grant system for all community based programs and services in the juvenile justice system except secure detention. Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judges and Court Service Unit staff continue to utilize VJCCCA funding to provide an array of programs and services to juveniles and their families. This is accomplished by the use of private vendors, independent contractors, memoranda of agreement, and VJCCCA staff. The programs/services provided include intensive home based services, GPS electronic monitoring, a two-level larceny reduction program, anger management and parenting groups, psychological and substance abuse assessments, drug screens, day treatment and Project Fresh Start. VJCCCA funds continue to offer services that are accessible in a timely manner and provide much needed resources to the youth and their families. A major advantage of this funding continues to be the ability to develop programs and services that specifically address the juvenile justice needs of Henrico County.

Objectives

- To provide a continuum of service to the Court and Court Service Unit staff that best fit the needs of Henrico County.
- To continue to provide services to the Court and Court Service Unit staff that are easily accessible and available.
- To continue to provide services that promotes parental participation to assist juveniles and their families in making positive changes.
- To encourage a public/private partnership in the design and delivery of services.

Budget Highlights

The Juvenile Probation VJCCCA budget totals \$550,284, which includes County support of \$435,995 for FY2012-13. The Program's budget reflects a 0.1 percent decrease when compared to FY2011-12. This decrease is the result of

Annual Fiscal Plan

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY11 Actual</u>	<u>FY12 Original</u>	<u>FY13 Approved</u>	<u>Change 12 to 13</u>
Personnel	\$ 138,637	\$ 152,492	155,053	1.7%
Operation	440,171	398,449	395,231	(0.8%)
Capital	581	0	0	0.0%
Total	<u>\$ 579,389</u>	<u>\$ 550,941</u>	<u>\$ 550,284</u>	<u>(0.1%)</u>
Personnel Complement*	N/A	N/A	N/A	

*Personnel Complement does not reflect 3 Complement III positions that are supported by this budget.

VJCCCA Probation (cont'd)

Performance Measures				
	<u>FY11</u>	<u>FY12</u>	<u>FY13</u>	<u>Change 12 to 13</u>
Workload Measures				
Number of Referrals from Probation/Court Order	2,639	2,600	2,500	(100)

reductions for VJCCCA programs in the Governor's Proposed Biennial Budget.

This most recent reduction is only the latest in a line of reductions to this program. The first significant revenue reduction occurred in FY2002-03 when the General Assembly reduced VJCCCA funding received by the County by 51.2 percent. This revenue decrease resulted in the termination of programs and reductions in service levels. State funding remained close to this level until FY2008-09, when the General Assembly adopted the 2008-2010 Biennial Budget, which included reductions to localities across a variety of service areas including VJCCCA. Since FY2008-09, the General Assembly has reduced VJCCCA funding four more times, with the projected revenue for all VJCCCA programs totaling \$329,571 in FY2012-13. This amount is 28,216 less than when the program was initiated in FY1995-96.

In response to a continued state funding freeze (at FY2002-03 levels) that was significantly impacting service levels, the County General Fund transfer was increased to \$480,882 in the FY2006-07 budget. The FY2012-13 budget for VJCCCA programs, Probation and Detention, reflect the same General Fund share, \$546,544, as FY2011-12. Probation will continue to use VJCCCA funding to provide a wide variety of services and programs to offenders and their families, including psychological and substance abuse assessments, anger management, parenting groups, drug screens, intensive home based services, and residential services. Despite the reduction in State funding, these services and programs continue to be highly utilized as alternatives to secure detention.