



Amherst County Board of Supervisors
County Resolution No. 2020-0003-R

For consideration on March 17, 2020

A RESOLUTION, NO. 2020-0003-R

A resolution, endorsing the submittal of an application by the City of Lynchburg to the Department of Criminal Justice Services to include Amherst County in the service area to be provided local probation and pretrial services beginning in FY-2021.

Approved as to form by the County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

I. That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby endorses submittal of an application by the City of Lynchburg to the Department of Criminal Justice Services to include Amherst County in the service area to be provided local probation and pretrial services beginning in FY-2021, as follows:

WHEREAS, Amherst County is the only locality in the 24th Judicial Circuit in which judicial officers do not have access to pretrial services for adults awaiting trial or local probation supervision for adults charged in General District and J&DR Courts; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) which is responsible for administering the Comprehensive Community Corrections Act (CCCA) and the Pretrial Services Act (PSA) is soliciting grant applications for local probation and pretrial services expansion from localities that do not currently receive state funds for local probation and pretrial services; and

WHEREAS, Pretrial Services will provide information to assist judicial officers in making more informed bail decisions and to provide pretrial supervision of court-ordered defendants to ensure court appearance and public safety and local probation will provide supervision services to the courts for appropriate adult offenders who could receive a jail sentence; and

WHEREAS, Localities interested in applying for state funding for local probation and pretrial services must collaborate with a locality with an existing CCCA/PSA agency; and

WHEREAS, On March 3, 2020 the Regional Community Criminal Justice Board (CCJB) serving the City of Lynchburg and Bedford and Campbell Counties voted to approve the expansion of services to Amherst County at their meeting contingent on available funding from DCJS and to invite Amherst County to appoint a representative to serve on the CCJB; and

WHEREAS, The Lynchburg Community Corrections and Pretrial Services Agency will oversee and coordinate the provision of services and the City of Lynchburg will continue to act as the Administrative and Fiscal Agent for the CCCA and PSA grant funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby endorses submittal of an application by the City of Lynchburg to the Department of Criminal Justice Services to include Amherst County in the service area to be provided local probation and pretrial services beginning in FY-2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs and authorizes Dean Rodgers, Amherst County Administrator, to sign and submit appropriate documents for the submittal of the grant application.

II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 17th day of March, 2020.



Claudia D. Tucker, Chair
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Ayes 5

Nays 0

Abstentions 0