

# DJJ

# Community-based Funding



**Virginia Department of  
Juvenile Justice**

**One Team.  
New Ideas.  
Extraordinary Purpose.**



# Funding Sources

- **Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA)**
- **Community-based funding**
  - Non-residential transitional services
  - Residential independent living
  - Mental Health Services
  - Substance Abuse Services
  - Psychological Evaluations
  - Community Placement Programs



- **Background**
  - Enacted in the **1995** to restructure funding for local juvenile justice programming
  - Intent is for localities to develop and implement programs and service to address juvenile crime



# The Target Population

- **Juveniles before intake on complaints**
- **Juveniles before the court on petitions**
  - **Children in need of services**
  - **Children in need of supervision**
  - **Delinquents**

# Best Practice Principles



- **All programs and services funded through VJCCCA must improve public safety, hold youth accountable for their behavior (sanctions) or improve a youth's capacity for positive behavior (skills and treatment).**

# Organization and Operations



- **VJCCCA provides formula-based funding to localities**
- **DJJ provides administrative oversight and monitoring of the VJCCCA plans**
- **Many localities contribute a required Maintenance of Effort.**

# Organization and Operations



## Local Plans ↔ Statewide Process

- Every two years, the locality submits a plan for the use of the allocated funds.
- Plans are based on:
  - A review of court-related data
  - An objective assessment of need for services and programs

# Governance – §16.1-309.3



## Local Plans ↔ Statewide Process

- Plans are developed after consultation with:
  - J&DR Court Judges
  - Director of the Court Services Unit
  - CPMT





# Program Operations

- **Local governing bodies determine who will manage the plan's activities**
- **Local governing bodies may provide programs and services directly through use of dedicated staff**
- **Local governing bodies may purchase programs and services from private agencies.**



# Impact of VJCCCA

- **Localities have received funding to create or enhance programs and have greater flexibility to design programs to meet the needs of their communities**
- **VJCCCA has increased the number and variety of programs and services available for youth in most communities**



# Impact of VJCCCA

- In FY2012, 10,530 unique juveniles were served
- 80% of these were eligible for secure detention
- In FY 2014, 8,695 unique juveniles were served
- 81% of these were eligible for secure detention

# Community-based Funding



- **Psychological Evaluations**
- **Mental Health Services**
- **Substance Abuse Services**
- **Community Placement Programs**
- **Non-residential transitional services**
- **Residential independent living**



# Psychological Evaluations

- **Court ordered evaluations**
- **Court must find parents or guardian unable to pay**
- **Both psychological and psycho-sexual evaluations**
- **Juvenile must meet eligibility for commitment**
- **Evaluations must be prepared post-dispositional**

# Community-based Funding



- **Provides funding for juveniles under the supervision of the Court Service Unit for identified mental health and substance abuse needs**
- **Provides funding for Community Placement Program**



# Array of Re-entry Services

- **Substance abuse services**
- **Sex offender services**
- **Individual, group, family counseling**
- **In-home services**
- **Life skills coaching**

# Array of Re-entry Services



- **Gang intervention**
- **Employment services**
- **Surveillance / intensive supervision**
- **Residential Independent living**