



July 14, 2025

**6:00 pm Convene Regular Meeting (County Auditorium)**

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

**Item 1 Recognitions and Presentations**

- Allen Vann, County Manager
- Monarch Bioengineering
- Ollen Raynor, Sampson County Sheriff's Office

**Item 2 Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025 meeting
- b. Approve tax refunds and releases as submitted

**Item 3 Public Hearings**

- a. Naming of Private Roads

**Item 4 Action Items (as Board of Commissioners)**

- a. Appointment of Tax Assessor and Tax Collector
- b. Annual Tax Settlement Report and Charge of Tax Assessor
- c. Water Projects Update
- d. Northern (King Road) and Southern (Taylor's Bridge) Test and Production Wells
- e. 2025-2026 Food Services Bid
- f. Proclamation Recognizing July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month in Sampson County
- g. FY25-26 Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Plan

**Item 5 Action Items (as Board of Health)**

- a. Board of Health Operating Procedures Policy
- b. SCHD Health Advisory Committee Conflict of Interest Policy
- c. SCHD Health Advisory Committee Operating Procedures Policy
- d. SCHD Lab CPT Code/Fee Update

**Item 6 Board of Health Information Items**

- 3/17/2025 Dangerous Dog/Health Advisory Committee Minutes
- 2024 NC Data Card
- 2025 Child Health Report Card

**Item 7 Board Appointments**

Presenter: Vice Chairman Eric Pope

- Sampson Community College Board of Trustees

**Item 8 Public Comment Period**

**Item 9 County Manager's Comments**

**Item 10 Commissioner's Comments and Reports**

Adjournment



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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 1

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Comment
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Report/Presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Closed Session
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**SUBJECT:** Reports and Presentations

**DEPARTMENT:** Governing Body

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Chairman Allen McLamb

**BACKGROUND:**

Chairman McLamb will recognize the following individuals/organizations:

- Allen Vann, County Manager
- Monarch Bioengineering
- Ollen Raynor, Sampson County Sheriff's Office

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		Information Only	Public Comment
Meeting Date:	July 14, 2025	Report/Presentation	Closed Session
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**SUBJECT:** Consent Agenda

DEPARTMENT: Administration/Multiple Departments

## ITEM DESCRIPTIONS/ATTACHMENTS:

- a. Approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025 meeting
- b. Approve tax refunds and releases as submitted

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented*

The Sampson County Board of Commissioners convened for their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2025, in the County Auditorium, 435 Rowan Road in Clinton, North Carolina. Members present: Chairman Allen McLamb, Vice Chairman Eric Pope and Commissioners Houston Crumpler III, Thaddeus Godwin, and Lethia Lee.

Chairman McLamb called the meeting to order and acknowledged Vice Chairman Pope who called upon Andrea Goodman of the Sampson County Veterans Council. Ms. Goodman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Darryl Price of the Sampson County Veterans Council provided the invocation.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as published.

### **Item 1: Consent Agenda**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Crumpler and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a. Approved the minutes of the April 15, 2025 and May 5, 2025 meetings (Copies filed in Inc. Minute Book \_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_.)
- b. Authorized the service weapon used by Frederick Hayes (Sig Sauer P320 9mm Serial Number: 58J620136) to be declared as surplus and allow it to be transferred to the retiring officer
- c. Approved tax refunds and releases as submitted
- d. Approved budget amendments as submitted

### **Item 2: Updates and Presentations**

Update on Ivanhoe Water Project Public Works Director Mark Turlington provided an update on the ongoing Ivanhoe Water Project.

### **Item 3: Action Items (as Board of Health)**

Opioid Resolution MOA – Authorization and Budget Chairman McLamb called upon Health Director Wanda Robinson who explained that the NC Opioid Settlement Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) outlines how funds received from national opioid settlements are to be distributed and used across the state. To utilize these funds, local entities must first obtain formal authorization, approved by the Board of Commissioners, confirming participation in the MOA and commitment to its terms. The budget request outlines how the funds will be used for approved strategies, such as Naloxone Distribution and Post-Overdose Response Team (PORT). Mrs. Robinson presented a resolution directing the expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds, then called upon Emergency

Services Director Rick Sauer who reviewed the proposed Post-Overdose Response Team. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Lee the Board voted unanimously to adopt a Resolution to Direct the Expenditure of Opioid Settlement Funds and approve the associated budget request.

**Item 4: Action Items (as Board of Commissioners)**

Contract for Airfield Lighting and Signage Improvements at the Clinton-Sampson Airport between Avcon, Inc. the City of Clinton, and Sampson County Chairman McLamb called upon County Attorney Paul Allen who reviewed a contract for Airfield Lighting and Signage Improvements at the Clinton-Sampson Airport as well as Runway Rehabilitation. Mr. Allen clarified that these projects are federally funded and that no county tax dollars will be utilized. Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to award the bid to the most responsible, responsive bidder and authorize the County Manager to execute the contract and any necessary related documents.

Fire Service Contract Amendments for Godwin-Falcon Fire Department and Smith's Chapel Fire Department Chairman McLamb called upon Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson who reviewed the Amended Fire Contracts for the Godwin-Falcon Fire Department and Smith's Chapel Fire Department. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amended Fire Contracts as presented.

Alternative Fire Contract for Piney Grove Fire Department and Turkey Fire Department Chairman McLamb called upon Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson who informed the Board that two fire departments have not signed the Fire Service Contract Amendment. Mr. Hudson explained that Piney Grove and Turkey want their own, special amended contract which would replace the contract that the other departments agreed to with a contract that changes the default multi-year fire tax rate to a rate of their choosing (10-cents). They do not face any circumstances that are different than those faced by other volunteer fire departments. They made their appeal to the Fire Commission, who did not take a position on the issue, but forwarded the matter to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Hudson went on to review three options for the Board to consider and their consequences and made a recommendation based on his evaluation of the situation. Upon a motion by Commissioner Crumpler and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to approve the county's standard Fire and Rescue Services Agreement Amendment that has been signed for all other departments for the Volunteer Fire Departments of Turkey and Piney Grove and to only disburse funding to those fire departments provided they sign the agreement prior to the renewal date of the existing agreement.

Purchase and Use of New Voting System, ES&S EVS 5.2.4.0, for the Sampson County Board of Elections Chairman McLamb called upon Elections Director Niya Rayner who reviewed the upgrade of the county's voting system and informed the Board that the NC State Board of Elections has approved this upgrade. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Lee the Board voted unanimously to approve the purchase and use of the new voting system as requested.

Acceptance of Homeland Security Grant Funds to be used for the procurement of a new Election Management System Ms. Rayner informed the Board that on September 1, 2024, the State Board of Elections was awarded \$42,100 to improve election security by replacing outdated, Windows XP reliant Unity election management systems in counties through the Federal Emergency Management

Agency (FEMA) Homeland Security Grant Program. She went on to explain that the funds will be divided evenly among 14 identified counties, such that each county may apply \$3,007.14 towards a new election management system. Upon a motion by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler the Board voted unanimously to accept the grant funds in the amount of \$3,007.14.

Request by the Clinton-Sampson Volunteer Rescue Squad to Serve Sampson County

Chairman McLamb called upon County Attorney Paul Allen who reviewed a letter sent to the County by Clinton-Sampson Volunteer Rescue Squad requesting to provide emergency medical services at no cost to the county. Mr. Allen also reviewed a proposed contract and explained that the squad is not currently under contract but desires a new no-cost contract to operate as an official rescue squad. Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed no-cost contract with the Clinton-Sampson Rescue Squad.

Resolution Regarding Working Inmates Chairman McLamb called upon Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson and Sheriff Jimmy Thornton who informed the Board that the General Assembly has given the Sheriff of each county in North Carolina the authority to use inmates incarcerated in the local county jail under the State Misdemeanant Confinement Program for certain work programs under rules and regulations approved by the Sheriff. Specifically, inmates that meet very specific criteria and that are not deemed a risk to the public may be allowed to clean up typical state roadside litter and may also work on county property, both with adequate supervision. In other jurisdictions it is reported that the community, inmates, Sheriffs and county have been very pleased with the program's results. It should be noted that this program is not meant for the cleanup of illegal dump sites, but primarily for roadside litter pickup and select work in county facilities, all under supervision. Sheriff Thornton noted that the program will take time to implement, with the first step in the process being an adopted resolution by the County Commissioners. Upon a motion by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to adopt a Resolution of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners Regarding Working Inmates Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 162-58 to allow inmates in Sampson County to clean roadside litter and work at select county facilities and grounds under rules and regulations to be approved by the Sheriff.

Set Special Meetings for Budget Workshops and Public Hearing on the FY26 Budget Chairman McLamb called upon Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson who requested that the Board set meeting dates for Budget Workshops as well as the statutorily required hearing on the budget. Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to call a special meeting for June 11, 2025 at 9:00am in the Administrative Board Room, 406 County Complex Road, Clinton, North Carolina. This special called meeting will include a potential Closed Session to discuss personnel matters, the presentation of the Audit for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, a review of budget amendments, if necessary, and the FY26 Budget Workshop. Mr. Hudson then requested that the Board call for a Special Meeting for the statutorily-required public hearing on the budget. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Vice Chairman Pope the Board voted unanimously to call a Special Meeting for the purposes of holding a public hearing on the proposed budget for FY26 on Monday, June 16, 2025 at 6:00 pm in the County Auditorium, 435 Rowan Road, Clinton, North Carolina.

Celebration of June 19, 2025 as Juneteenth in Sampson County Chairman McLamb recognized Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson who read a resolution to celebrate Juneteenth Day in Sampson County in June 19, 2025. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Lee the Board voted unanimously to adopt a Resolution Celebrating Juneteenth 2025 in Sampson County.

**Item 5: Board Appointments**

Fire Commission Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler the Board voted unanimously to appoint Lamar Butler to the Sampson County Fire Commission.

Convention and Visitors Bureau Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler the Board voted unanimously to reappoint Kay Raynor and to appoint Garrett Bryant and Ryan Roberts to the Sampson County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Economic Development Board Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to Reappoint Georgina Zeng, Chuck Spell, and Craig Richardson to the Sampson County Economic Development Board and to appoint Chuck Spell as Chairman.

Airport Advisory Board Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pope and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to appoint Johnny Frank Hodges to the Airport Advisory Board.

**\*5 Minute Recess for Presentation Setup\***

**Item 6: Proposed FY25-26 Budget Presentation**

Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson, in his statutory function as the Budget Officer of Sampson County for FY25-26 presented the proposed budget to the Board and members of the public.

**\*5 Minute Recess for Reset\***

**Item 7: Public Comment Period**

Chairman McLamb opened the floor for public comments. The following were received:

Anthony Monds – “I won’t start off concerning my issue that I have. Thank you for what you’ve done. I met with the Interim County Manager a couple months ago I believe it was and he shared some things with me, there are some, he wasn’t here for what he and I were discussing, but prayerfully whoever you choose to place in that position would be as open-minded and objectively as you have been concerning the budget, sir. And will not succumb to cliques and political affiliation or what have you and I commend you on that. And, but my issue going forward, I will be doing this every month until some things are changed. I’m calling names out now. I’ve been very, very vague and reserved over the last two years. I have in my hand, and since you’re leaving I’m going to exempt you from getting one of these pages, but from the attorney on, you can take a sheet and pass it on so everybody can see what I’m talking about here. This is, what you have in your hand, and Attorney Allen knows what conflict of

interest is. And just, take one and pass it on, sir. Please. Thank you. Thank you. Attorney Allen knows what conflict of interest is. Your DSS attorney, Mr. Frank Bradshaw, back 13, 11 years ago, excuse me, 13 years ago had a conflict of interest concerning his client in the illegal abduction or taking of my granddaughter and each of you know what that is about. So, the reason that I've give you that, somebody's messing with my time, the reason I've given you that is because he's not only done that to us, he's done it to others. This is validation and proof of Frank Bradshaw unethical unscrupulous activities as the DSS attorney that you all so, well not this sitting board but previous boards renewed his contract. And not only has he done some unethical things with DSS, but some other contracts he has with the county as well. So, every month I'll be coming here. I have recordings of DSS recordings that I have that I'll be sharing, individuals with DSS from the director, previous director on down even with the human resource department as well. So exposure is at hand. I told you all last month gloves are off so prayerfully you all will hold people accountable for their actions going forward and no matter who they are, political affiliation, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, you will deal with it. Thank you. Y'all have a blessed evening."

David Brown – "Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. I'm here tonight because a few years back I heard a lot of bad things about the County Commissioners. I didn't hear anything good, and so I said, okay, well let me go take a look at this myself. Okay? There's an old saying, believe nothing of what you hear and only half of what you read. Okay? So, it's up to me as a citizen, okay, to do my part in helping and participating in the government, particularly here in Sampson County. I've been very impressed tonight. I felt like a trust had been broken from the previous County Commissioners, not just last year, a number of years back and it's very difficult to restore that trust. And so when our County Manager gets up here and says, 'I'm going to speak the truth,' and he's got his numbers and they reflected that and he tells you how they arrive at that, that does a lot to build and restore trust back. I almost wondered if you came over and looked at my notes tonight because one of the things I wanted to mention is that we as the citizens of this county, we need to help you. We need to help you get every bit of information that you receive like this budget. Okay. When I came here I heard mention about we're a tier one county. What the heck is a tier one county? You know, it took me about two hours running through the internet and the North Carolina government to find that and research it for me to be able to understand what that is and I bet if you ask 1,000 people in Sampson County, they couldn't tell you what that is. They don't have any idea how it affects us. They don't have any idea how it affects the budget process and the needs of this county. And so what you're saying, better newspaper coverage, radio coverage, you know, perhaps we can even have people from each of your districts that will offer to say, look, I have a meeting at my home and we'll have 8 or 10 people that'll meet there and then each one of us will go on our Facebook page or X account, and we'll put this information out to try to get more people in the county to understand what's going on with their taxpayer dollars. I teach seniors at our church and I'm already having to put my flack vest on, but there's something as simple on the tax sheet for refunds. These taxes were assessed through clerical error as follows. When I first read that I thought why are we paying people and they don't know how to do their job? So I met with Mr. Johnson in the tax office and found out that's a requirement by statute to be put on there. It doesn't have anything to do with the performance. But a lot of people, they don't know that. They don't know what's required by statute. They don't know what affects them, and so I encourage everybody to meet with all the commissioners and the people within there like I've been doing and talk to them one on one. They are great and wonderful people. Thank you."

Dwight Williams – "My name is Dwight Williams. I reside at 2427 Roanoke Road, Clinton. I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to address the commission. I am 74 years old and this is probably my first appearance before this board. That does not probably speak well of my involvement but might speak to the seriousness that I hold for the upcoming county budget. Thank you, Mr. Hudson, for a

great presentation. I appreciate it very much. It's very detailed and very insightful and I think very truthful and an honorable presentation, so thank you for that. Past that, let me thank Commissioner Crumpler for the information that you have provided to our citizens regarding past and the upcoming budget. Transparency is always helpful to our citizenry. The numbers you have provided bring to light some serious considerations to the budgetary trends in our county. That being, that expenditures are increasing three times faster than revenues. I, too, like quotations. To quote an old Farm Bureau friend of mine from Northampton County who once said, 'when your outgo exceeds your income, your shortfall will be your downfall.' We have increased taxes on our citizens to a point of frustration. Been here all 74 years of my life in the same place. I've paid taxes probably 50 years in this county. The tax rates have come and gone but every year they increase when I write a check. Every year. For the larger property owners in the county a rate increase hits their pockets the hardest. They carry the majority of the tax burden and it hits them very hard. For small property owners, especially those living on limited incomes, a rate increase hits them all the harder. They may not have it to give. At this point in our county's history a rate increase may not be the answer. Cuts to budgets seem to be more rational. If you need to look to where these cuts should occur, look to where over the past five years the largest increase in departmental budgets have occurred. Mr. McLamb, two years ago you ran for this office on a platform of fiscal responsibility. I hope you will live up to your statements. Mr. Pope, last year you ran on a well-published campaign promise that you would not vote to increase the tax rate. I hope you will live up to that promise. Mr. Godwin and Mrs. Lee, you represent many in this county who are the small property owners, many on limited incomes, and who live in your particular districts. I hope you will continue to represent them well. Another quotation from Coach Lou Holtz, 'It is never right to do the wrong thing, and it is never wrong to do the right thing. Lady and gentleman of the Sampson County Commission Board, please vote no to a tax increase and make the necessary cuts and please leave the fund balance alone.'

Stephaine Graham – "Greetings County Commissioners as well as community. I would like to start off first by saying thank you so much for recognizing and the consideration for Juneteenth, June 19 a recognized day for Sampson County, so thank you so much. I am Stephaine Graham, 108 Sampson Street, Clinton, North Carolina 28328 and I am here on behalf representing the Sampson Juneteenth Committee, which is a part of the Community Uplift Initiatives, a 5013C nonprofit serving Sampson County. Now we've all heard the saying, this isn't necessarily a quote but it is a saying, so I guess it falls in that line, we've all heard the saying, you are only as strong as your weakest link. But what if the weak didn't know that they were really weak? That they were just unheard. That they were just unseen. Right? Everybody who says they're weak, they're not always weak. So that's why I stand before you today to invite you all to the Sampson Juneteenth 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Event and Celebration in Downtown Clinton. It's going to be held on the day, Thursday, June 19 starting at 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm. You see, Juneteenth is more than freedom, right? The slaves were freed. They were advised. But it's a reminder for all of us that its not free now, none of us is truly free. If that one person is not free then are we all truly free? So think about that weak link again. Are they unheard or are they unseen? It's time for us to celebrate as a community together. So, if you are interested in being a sponsor, vendor, or an attendee team, we would love to have you all be a part. Thank you."

Paul Janapa – "Good evening, Commissioners, Chair, this is my first time here. My name is Paul. Thank you for the opportunity to speak here tonight. I'm here on behalf of a coalition, a grassroots coalition named United for the Earth and the Community. I'm here just to introduce our coalition and make an invitation for y'all. Our coalition was founded in 2024 and is made up of Latino-led organizations in Eastern North Carolina and community members. Our community members are youths, elders, workers, farmworkers, students, and others. We believe that everyone, regardless of the language they speak or where they come from, deserve clean air, safe water, and a voice in the



decisions that have impact and affect their lives. Really, our coalition that was recently established is focusing on leadership development, civic engagement and advocacy, and community engaged research. And really we want to work with local government agencies and other stakeholders to support that work. Really recognizing the efforts that y'all are doing at the local level, State agencies are doing at the state level to include community voice in decision making. When it comes to community engagement we want to have the inclusion of Latino and Latina communities in decision-making spaces, in boards and commissions, and we want to be included and feel value and again, work with government. Our community engaged research involves universities and other partners. We have developed, we're developing a geospatial map showing key risk factors like mobile home parks, flood zones, and emergency shelters to help local and state agencies better understand where vulnerable communities live. We're also analyzing emergency plans in all 100 counties in North Carolina and seeing opportunities to better include Latino residents. My invitation to y'all is to be on the lookout for an email from me to set up a meeting or be on the lookout for a call because again, we want to work with y'all and we have an event here in Sampson County on July 8<sup>th</sup> where we're going to have a space for community to meet with state and local agencies to find areas where we can collaborate, learn about your priorities when it comes to including Latino communities and environmental concerns and disaster preparedness. Thank you very much."

**Item 7: County Manager's Report**

Chairman McLamb called upon Interim County Manager Jeffrey Hudson who recognized the Parks and Recreation Department for their efforts in roadway cleanup.

**Item 8: Commissioners' Comments and Reports**

No comments or reports given.

**Item 9: Closed Session – N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6) - Personnel**

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Crumpler and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to enter into Closed Session. Upon a motion by Commissioner Crumpler and seconded by Commissioner Godwin the Board voted unanimously to come out of Closed Session. Upon a motion by Commissioner Godwin and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler the Board voted unanimously to amend the County Attorney's contract, adjusting the residency requirements.

**Adjournment**

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Crumpler, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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C. Allen McLamb, Chairman

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Stephanie P. Fulton, Clerk to the Board

**TAX REFUNDS AND RELEASES**  
**AGENDA DATE: JULY 14, 2025**

REFUND/RELEASE	REFUND NUMBER	TAXPAYER	TAXPAYER ADDRESS	REFUND/RELEASE AMOUNT	JUSTIFICATION	CHECK NUMBER
REFUND	10919	YAJAIRA LEIVA GONZALES	PO BOX 16, NEWTON GROVE, NC 28366	\$116.22	2023 JEEP, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, FCH7674	
REFUND	10918	BERNADETTE MARIA UNGER	831 MATTHEWS RD, WILLARD, NC 28478	\$131.03	2018 FORD, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, VFX2053	
REFUND	10901	MARY O. McCALOP	14909 SPRIGGS TREE LN, WOODBRIDGE, VA 22193	\$547.57	TAX PARCEL 18065537001, ACREAGE CORRECTION	
REFUND	10911	MARIO MONDRAGON	873 CREEL RD, MT. OLIVE, NC 28365	\$186.81	2019 DODGE, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, RH9991	
REFUND	10905	FRANC GARCIA TRUCKING	325 TRAM RD, CLINTON, NC 28328	\$183.39	2016 FREIGHTLINER, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, ZB64635	
REFUND	10896	HENRY L. BECTON	901 WAYCROSS RD, TURKEY, NC 28393	\$168.03	2020 TOYOTA, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, VAB7529	
REFUND	10881	CLINTON PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH	PO BOX 765, CLINTON, NC 28329	\$621.17	2021 FORD VAN, RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION, LCE1080	
REFUND	10902	HILDA SUTTON LEWIS	286 STONEHENGE DR, DUNN, NC 28335	\$100.13	2022 BMW, VEHICLE TURNED IN, TAG TURNED IN, AHE4250	
REFUND	10904	BARBARA TYNER HOPE	142 PINE RIDGE RD, CLINTON, NC 28328	\$239.46	2023 GMC, SOLD, TAG TURNED IN, THE1111	
RELEASE		ALEJANDRO JOSE ORTIZSERVIA	199 MILL RIDGE CT, GODWIN, NC 28344	\$407.14	2025 CHEV, MILITARY EXEMPTION, STATE OF RESIDENCE FLORIDA, LJS4835	

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 3(a)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Comment
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Item	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning/Zoning
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**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing – Naming of Private Roads

**DEPARTMENT:** GIS

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Yes

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** *Jessie Matthews, GIS Coordinator*

**ATTACHMENTS:** Memo, Ad

**BACKGROUND:**

The 911 Addressing Committee members have reviewed road name suggestions for PVT 1658-207 and recommends that it be named Black Creek Trl. A public hearing has been advertised to allow members of the public to share comments regarding the naming of this private road.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to name the private road as recommended by the 911 Addressing Committee*

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Ms. Stephanie Shannon, Clerk to the Board

FROM: Jessie Matthews, GIS Coordinator  
Joshua Bloodsworth, GIS Technician

DATE: June 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Private Road Name/Public Hearing Request

The 911 Addressing Committee members have reviewed road name suggestions for the following pending private road. The Committee's recommendation has been listed below:

PVT 1658-207

Black Creek Trl

This is being forwarded for your review and if you concur, please place this on the Board's agenda for consideration at a public hearing.

Please review and advise.

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NAMING OF PRIVATE ROADS**

The Sampson County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon as possible thereafter) on Monday, July 14, 2025 in the County Auditorium, Sampson County Complex Building A, 435 Rowan Road, Clinton NC to consider public input on the naming of the following private roads:

<b><u>PVT ROAD CODE</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED NAME</u></b>
PVT 1658-207	Black Creek Trl

Only those roads listed will be considered at this time.

The Board will also accept written comments until 5:00 p.m. on July 14, 2025 via email at [stephanie.fulton@sampsoncountync.gov](mailto:stephanie.fulton@sampsoncountync.gov) or via US Mail to Clerk to the Board, 406 County Complex Road, Building C, Clinton, NC 28328. Written comments submitted by members of the public will be read aloud by the Clerk and provided as part of the meeting minutes.

Questions or comments may be directed to the Office of the Clerk to the Board, 406 County Complex Road, Clinton, NC 28328 (tel: 910/592-6308)

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ITEM NO. 4(a)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025

☐ Information Only  
☐ Report/Presentation  
☒ Action Item  
☐ Consent Agenda

☐ Public Comment  
☐ Closed Session  
☐ Planning/Zoning  
☐ Water District Issue

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**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Tax Assessor and Tax Collector

**DEPARTMENT:** Tax Administration

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** *Jim Johnson, Tax Administrator*

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

**BACKGROUND:**

The current four-year term for Jim Johnson as Tax Administrator expires in July 2025. The General Statutes do not recognize the term Tax Administrator, but counties use this title for positions that serve a dual role as tax assessor and tax collector. General Statutes §105-294 and §105-349 detail the appointments of the tax assessor and tax collector.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to reappoint Jim Johnson as tax assessor and tax collector for another four-year term*

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 4(b)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025

☐ Information Only  
☐ Report/Presentation  
☒ Action Item  
☐ Consent Agenda

☐ Public Comment  
☐ Closed Session  
☐ Planning/Zoning  
☐ Water District Issue

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**SUBJECT:** Annual Tax Settlement Report and Charge of Tax Assessor

**DEPARTMENT:** Tax Administration

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** *Jim Johnson, Tax Administrator*

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

**BACKGROUND:**

According to General Statute §105-373, after July 1 and before being charged with collection of taxes for the current fiscal year a preliminary report on the previous fiscal year must be reported to the governing board.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to accept the annual tax settlement report and charge the tax collector with collecting the FY 2025-2026 property taxes*

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 4(c)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025

☐ Information Only  
☐ Report/Presentation  
☒ Action Item  
☐ Consent Agenda

☐ Public Comment  
☐ Closed Session  
☐ Planning/Zoning  
☐ Water District Issue

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**SUBJECT:** Water Projects Update

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Mark Turlington, Public Works Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

**BACKGROUND:**

Public Works Director Mark Turlington will provide an update on current and ongoing water projects.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*No action necessary, receive the information*



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**SAMPSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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**ITEM ABSTRACT**

ITEM NO. 4(d)

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**SUBJECT:** Northern (King Road) and Southern (Taylor's Bridge) Test and Production Wells

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Mark Turlington, Public Works Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Resolution

**BACKGROUND:**

The proposed project aims to expand the public water supply system in Sampson County with the addition of two groundwater wells. The primary goal is to increase the capacity of the county water system and the amount of potable water available for county residents, therefore providing potable water service to residents with future linear infrastructure upon the completion of the groundwater wells. This phase of the project is only for the drilling and installation of the test and production wells, with the next phase of the project encompassing the potential wellhead completion, treatment systems, and distribution lines.

The required infrastructure improvements for the King Road Well Site include:

- Drilling of both the test and production wells.

The required infrastructure improvements for the Taylors Bridge Well Site include:

- Drilling of both the test and production wells.

The Northern (King Rd) well site is being funded by the direct appropriated state capital infrastructure fund.

The Southern Groundwater Well Project has received approximately \$1,255,000 from the Drinking Water/Wastewater State Reserve in S.L. 2023-134, which includes construction, contingency, funding administration, construction administration, and planning.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve the project and adopt a Resolution accepting the 2023 Appropriations Act Directed Projects Grant offer of \$1,255,000, giving assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality that conditions or assurances in the award offer will be adhered to, and authorizing County Manager Allen Vann to execute any necessary related documents*

**RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF RECIPIENT**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Sampson has received a Directed Projects grant from the 2023 Appropriations Act, Session Law 2023-134, administered through the Drinking Water Reserve and Wastewater Reserve to assist eligible units of government with meeting their water/wastewater infrastructure needs, and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality has offered 2023 Appropriations Act funding in the amount of \$1,255,000 to perform work detailed in the submitted application, and

**WHEREAS**, the (unit of government) intends to perform said project in accordance with the agreed scope of work,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF SAMPSON:**

That the County of Sampson does hereby accept the 2023 Appropriations Act Directed Projects Grant offer of \$1,255,000.

That the County of Sampson does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality that any Conditions or Assurances contained in the Award Offer will be adhered to.

That \_\_\_\_\_, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with this project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required by the Division of Water Infrastructure.

**ADOPTED**, this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 at Clinton, North Carolina.

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ALLEN MCLAMB, Chairman, Sampson County Board of Commissioners

**ATTEST:**

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STEPHANIE FULTON, Clerk to the Sampson County Board of Commissioners

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**SAMPSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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ITEM ABSTRACT

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**SUBJECT:** 2025-2026 Food Services Bid

**DEPARTMENT:** Senior Services

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Dana Hall, Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Memo

**BACKGROUND:**

Sampson County solicited bids for food services for the Sampson County Senior Services Nutrition Program on May 27, 2025. The announcement was published posted on the County’s website and posted on the North Carolina Department of Administration, Historically Under-utilized Business website. On June 5, 2025 bids were received from two vendors, Gibbs Management and Diamond Food Enterprises. Based on the bids received. Diamond Foods was determined to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to award the bid for Food Services to Diamond Foods and authorize the execution of a contract and necessary related documents*

## MEMO

TO: Board of Commissioners  
From: Dana Hall, Parks, Recreation, & Aging Director  
Date: July 1, 2025  
Subject: 2025-2026 Food Services Bid

Sampson County solicited bids for food services for the Sampson County Department of Aging's Nutrition Program on May 27, 2025. The announcement was published posted on the County's website and posted on the North Carolina Department of Administration, Historically Under-utilized Business website.

On June 5, 2025 bids were received from two vendors, Gibbs Management and Diamond Food Enterprises as noted in the table below.

Received From	Unit Price		
	Congregate Cost per Meal 83 meals	Home Delivered Cost per Meal 143 meals	Low Sodium Snack Cost per Snack 16 snacks
Gibbs Management	\$5.98	\$5.98	\$.75
Diamond Food Enterprises	\$5.83	\$5.83	\$.99

Based on the bids received. Diamond Foods was determined to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. We respectfully request permission to enter into contract with Diamond Food Enterprises.

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**SAMPSON COUNTY  
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ITEM ABSTRACT

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**SUBJECT:** Proclamation Recognizing July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month in Sampson County

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Dana Hall, Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Proclamation

**BACKGROUND:**

Dana Hall will present the proclamation.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to adopt a Proclamation Recognizing July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month in Sampson County*



# **SAMPSON COUNTY**

## NORTH CAROLINA

### **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation is an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Sampson County; and

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation promotes time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimer's; and

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation encourages physical activities by providing space for popular sports, hiking trails, swimming pools and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation is leading provider of healthy meals, nutrition services and education; and

**WHEREAS** parks and recreation is essential and adaptable infrastructure that makes our communities resilient in the face of natural disasters and climate change; and

**WHEREAS** our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

**WHEREAS** the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

**WHEREAS** Sampson County recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Sampson County, North Carolina, Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month in Sampson County. We encourage all residents to celebrate by enjoying our local parks, participating in recreational activities, and recognizing the many benefits these spaces and programs offer our community.

ATTEST:

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C. ALLEN MCLAMB, Chairmen  
Sampson County Board of Commissioners

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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ITEM ABSTRACT

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**SUBJECT:** FY25-26 Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Plan

**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Melissa Burton, Finance Officer

**ATTACHMENTS:** Memo, JCPC County Plan for FY25-26

**BACKGROUND:**

Melissa Burton will present the state-funded FY25-26 Operational Budgets for JCPC Programs.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to accept the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Plan as presented*



## *MEMORANDUM*

**TO:** Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Melissa Burton, Finance Officer

**DATE:** July 8, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Sampson County JCPC Plan

In February and March 2025, the Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council funding committee met to discuss operational budgets for our JCPC programs. Based on available State funding, a budget for FY25-26 was created. The attached document presents the Sampson County plan for FY25-26 in addition to providing detailed information on services being provided.

We respectfully recommend that the Board accept the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council plan for Sampson County for FY25-26 as written.



# **Juvenile Crime Prevention Council County Plan**

## **Sampson County**

### **For FY 2025-2026**

#### **Table of Contents**

- I. Executive Summary
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- III. Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Organization
- IV. County Risk, Needs and YASI Assessment Summary
- V. County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposals
- VI. Funding Decisions Summary
- VII. Funded Programs *Program Enhancement Plan* (PEP) OR, add brief program description for any program without a PEP.

#### **Attachments:**

Meeting Minutes

## Executive Summary

The Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC), in fulfillment of the duties and responsibilities as set forth in the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, has reviewed and updated this County Plan for FY 2025-2026. In 2019, House Bill 593 passed which approved an optional 1 or 2-year funding cycle for DPS JCPC funds, which is determined locally by each JCPC statewide. Also included in the HB was Raise the Age in N.C. which directs 16 & 17 years old from District Court to Juvenile Court. In order to see any new possible trends in juvenile justice data (now serving 16 & 17 year old) and to plan programming in the community accordingly, the Sampson County JCPC approved a (1) year funding cycle. Data continues to be monitored by the JCPC annually which provides direction to which funding cycle is most beneficial to the community and Council.

The JCPC has identified the issues and factors which have an influence and impact upon vulnerable youth, at-risk youth, delinquent youth, and their families in Sampson County. Further, the JCPC has identified the strategies and services most likely to reduce/prevent delinquent behavior.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Each program funded in the past fiscal year by the JCPC has been monitored by the JCPC Monitoring Committee and programs were found in full compliance with DPS JCPC Policy and within the operating parameters of their budget and, providing the services as described in their program agreement. The monitoring results and program outcome evaluations were considered in making funding allocation decisions. The JCPC will continue to conduct annual implementation monitoring of its funded programs.

Priorities for Funding: Through a review of risk & needs assessment data, the Youth Assessment Screening Inventory (YASI) data and a community resource assessment, the JCPC has determined that the following services are needed to reduce/prevent delinquency in Sampson County.


1. Mentoring Services
2. Interpersonal Skill Building
3. Vocational Skills
4. Experimental Skills
5. Tutoring/Academic Enhancement
6. Mediation/Conflict Resolution
7. Restitution/Community Services
8. Teen Court

Funding Recommendations: Having advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for these needed services for a minimum of thirty (30) days, the JCPC has screened the submitted proposals and has determined which proposals best meet the advertised needed services. As required by statute, the JCPC recommends allocation of the NC Department of Public, Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention funds to the following programs in the amounts specified below for the upcoming fiscal year: (Also, see the Sampson County Funding Plan with this report.

1. Mentoring Services
2. Parent/Family Skill Building
3. Interpersonal Skill Building
4. Experiential Skills
5. Tutoring/Academic Enhancement
6. Mediation/Conflict Resolution
7. Restitution/Community Service
8. Teen Court

The JCPC further recommends that the following amount be allocated for the administrative costs of the Council for fiscal year 24-25: \$11,337.

Respectfully Submitted,

 , Chair, Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Date: 5-13-25



# Sampson County NC DPS - Community Programs - County Funding Plan

Available Funds: \$ 214,815 Local Match: \$ 44,070 Rate: 10%

DPS JCPC funds must be committed with a Program Agreement submitted in NC Allies and electronically signed by authorized officials.

#	Program Provider	DPS-JCPC Funding	LOCAL FUNDING			OTHER State/Federal	OTHER Funds	Total	% Non DPS-JCPC Program Revenues
			County Cash Match	Local Cash Match	Local In-Kind				
1	Sampson County JCPC Administrative	\$11,337						\$11,337	
2	Mediation Center of Eastern Carolina (Building Peace in Schools Mediation / MCEC-Mentors)	\$46,389			\$4,869			\$51,258	9%
3	Sampson Co. Cooperative Extension 4-H Programs (Juvenile Restitution / Teen Court)	\$84,700	\$3,627		\$16,794			\$105,121	19%
4	Sampson Co. Cooperative Extension 4-H Programs (Youth Inspire Group)	\$36,433			\$10,101			\$46,534	22%
5	Janice Faye's Rance (Equine Assisted Social Skill Building)	\$35,956			\$8,679			\$44,635	19%
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<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>\$214,815</b>	<b>\$3,627</b>		<b>\$40,443</b>			<b>\$258,885</b>	<b>17%</b>

The above plan was derived through a planning process by the Sampson County  
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council and represents the County's Plan for use of these funds in FY 2025/2026.

Amount of Unallocated Funds \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of funds reverted back to DPS \_\_\_\_\_

Discretionary Funds added \_\_\_\_\_

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—DPS Use Only—

Reviewed by <u>Cynthia Bero</u>	<u>5/13/2025</u>
Area Consultant	Date
Reviewed by _____	_____
Program Assistant	Date
Verified by _____	_____
Designated State Office Staff	Date

[Signature] 5-13-25  
Chairperson, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (Date)

\* [Signature] 4-7-2025  
Chairperson, Board of County Commissioners or County Finance Officer (Date)

## Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Organization

	Name	Organization	Title
<b>Chairperson</b>	Sgt. James Jones	SC Sheriff Dept.	Sampson County Sheriff Dept.
<b>Vice-Chairperson</b>	Dana Hall	Parks & Recreation	Director
<b>Secretary</b>	Elizabeth Phillips	Finance Office	Retired
<b>Treasurer</b>	Melissa Burton	SC Finance Office	Finance Officer
<b>Assessment Committee Chairperson</b>	Tiffany Blackburn	Court Services	Chief Counselor
<b>Funding Committee Chairperson</b>	Tamra Jones	SC Health Dept.	Account Specialist

Number of members: 16

List meeting dates during the current fiscal year and identify the number of JCPC members in attendance for each.

Meeting Date	Number of Members in Attendance	Quorum Present? Yes/No
08/13/2024	12	Y
09/10/2024	10	Y
10/08/2024	11	Y
11/12/2024	11	Y
01/14/2025	11	Y
02/11/2025	11	Y
03/11/2025	07	N
03/18/2025	10	Y
04/08/2025	11	Y

## **JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL CERTIFICATION STANDARDS**

G.S. 143B-853 allows for a 2-year funding cycle for programs that meet the requirements of the statute and have been awarded funds in a prior funding cycle. Indicate below if the JCPC plans to allow for a 1-year or 2-year funding cycle.

1-Year Funding: FY 2025-2026

### **Membership**

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| A. Have the members of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council been appointed by county commissioners?                              | <u>Yes</u> |
| B. Are members appointed for two-year terms and are those terms staggered?  | <u>Yes</u> |
| C. Is membership reflective of social-economic and racial diversity of the community?   | <u>Yes</u> |
| D. Does the membership of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council reflect the required positions as provided by N.C.G.S. §143B-846? | <u>No</u>  |

If not, which positions are vacant and why?

(4) District Attorney; (10) Member of the Faith Community; (9) Substance Abuse Professional; (12) Person under age 21 years old; (14) Juvenile Defense Attorney; (15) Chief District Court Judge; (16) Member of the Business Community; (18) UW/other non profit. The JCPC will continue to strategize recruitment efforts to fill vacancies.

### **Organization**

- |   |                |
|---|----------------|
| A. Does the JCPC have written Bylaws?   | <u>Yes</u>     |
| B. Bylaws are   | <u>On file</u> |
| C. Bylaws contain Conflict of Interest section per JCPC policy and procedure. | <u>Yes</u>     |
| D. Does the JCPC have written policies and procedures for funding and review? | <u>Yes</u>     |
| E. These policies and procedures  | <u>On file</u> |
| F. Does the JCPC have officers and are they elected annually?                 | <u>Yes</u>     |

### **Meetings**

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| A. JCPC meetings are considered open and public notice of meetings is provided.  | <u>Yes</u> |
| B. Is a quorum defined as the majority of membership and required to be present in order to conduct business at JCPC meetings? | <u>Yes</u> |
| C. Does the JCPC meet six (6) times a year at a minimum?   | <u>Yes</u> |
| D. Are minutes taken at all official meetings?   | <u>Yes</u> |
| E. Are minutes distributed prior to or during subsequent meetings?   | <u>Yes</u> |

### **Planning**

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|--|------------|
| A. Does the JCPC conduct a biennial planning process which includes a needs assessment, monitoring of programs and funding allocation process? | <u>Yes</u> |
| B. Is this Biennial Plan presented to the Board of County Commissioners and to DPS?  | <u>Yes</u> |
| C. Is the Funding Plan approved by the full council and submitted to Commissioners for their approval?   | <u>Yes</u> |

### **Public Awareness**

- |  |            |
|--|------------|
| A. Does the JCPC communicate the availability of funds to all public and private non-profit agencies which serve children or their families and to other interested community members?<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP, Distribution List, and Advertisement attached | <u>Yes</u> |
| B. Does the JCPC complete a biennial needs assessment and make that information available to agencies which serve children or their families, and to interested community members?   | <u>Yes</u> |

### **No Overdue Tax Debt**

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| A. As recipient of the county DPS JCPC allocation, does the County certify that it has no overdue tax debts, as | <u>Yes</u> |
|---|------------|

Form JCPC/OP 002 (a) Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Certification Application  
Form structure last revised June 2024  
NC Department of Public Safety

## **JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL CERTIFICATION STANDARDS**

defined by N.C.G.S. §105-243.1, at the Federal, State, or local level?

Briefly outline the plan for correcting any areas of standards non-compliance.

See Membership D.

## **JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL CERTIFICATION STANDARDS**

Instructions: N.C.G.S. § 143B-846 specifies suggested members be appointed by county commissioners to serve on local Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils. In certain categories, a designee may be appointed to serve. Please indicate the person appointed to serve in each category and his/her title. Indicate appointed members who are designees for named positions. Indicate race and gender for all appointments.

Sampson County - FY 25-26

<b>Specified Members</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Designee</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>
1) School Superintendent or designee	Jennifer Daughtry	Sampson County Schools	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Black or African-American	Female
2) Chief of Police or designee	Donald Fisher	Clinton Police Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Male
3) Local Sheriff or designee	Sgt. James Jones	Sergeant Sampson County Sheriff's Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Male
4) District Attorney or designee	VACANT				
5) Chief Court Counselor or designee	Tiffany Blackburn	Juvenile Court Counselor Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Female
6) Director, Local Management Entity/ Managed Care Organization (LME/MCO), or designee	Courtney Allen	Regional DJJ Engagement Coordinator Trillium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Female
7) Director DSS or designee	Melisa Newman	Foster Care Licensing Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Black or African-American	Female
8) County Manager or designee	Melissa Burton	Sampson County Finance Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Female
9) Substance Abuse Professional	VACANT				
10) Member of Faith Community	VACANT				
11) County Commissioner	Leitha Lee	Sampson County Commissioner		Black or African-American	Female
12) A Person Under the Age of 21	VACANT				
13) A Person Under the Age of 21, or a member of the public representing the interests of families of at-risk juveniles	Dr. William T. Vann III	Director of Special Programs Clinton City Schools		Black or African-American	Male
14) Juvenile Defense Attorney	VACANT				
15) Chief District Judge or designee	VACANT				
16) Member of Business Community	VACANT				
17) Local Health Director or designee	Tamra Jones	Sampson County Health Department Acct. Specialist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	White	Female
18) Rep. United Way/other non-profit	VACANT				
19) Representative/Parks and Rec	Dana Hall	Sampson County Parks and Recreation Director		White	Female
20) County Commissioner appointee	Andrew Worley	Detective Sampson County Sheriff's Department		White	Male

## **JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL CERTIFICATION STANDARDS**

<b>Specified Members</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Designee</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>
21) County Commissioner appointee	Jim DeMay	Dean of Public Safety Programs		White	Male
22) County Commissioner appointee	Kimberly Hicks	Clinton City Schools		Black or African-American	Female
23) County Commissioner appointee	Lt. Scott Hodges	Lieutenant Sampson County Sheriff's Department		White	Male
24) County Commissioner appointee	Sandra Webster	NC Works Manager		Black or African-American	Female
25) County Commissioner appointee	Tereaka Powell	Program Manager Easterseals PORT Health		Black or African-American	Female
26) County Commissioner appointee	VACANT				



SECTION VI: BUDGET NARRATIVE			
JCPC Administration		Fiscal Year	FY 25-26
Item #	Justification	Expense	In Kind Expense
190	Contracted services for the JCPC Admin duties (\$700 x 11 months)	\$7,700	
220	Food/Provisions (tablecloths, forks, napkins, cups, plates) for JCPC meetings (\$253.70 x 10 meetings = \$2,537)	\$2,537	
260	Office supplies, paper, monthly copy charges, etc. (\$63.63 x 11 months)	\$700	
370	RFP advertisement (1 ad x \$400)	\$400	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$11,337</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Job Title	Annual Expense Wages	Annual In Kind Wages
<b>TOTAL</b>		

SECTION VII: BUDGET NARRATIVE LINE ITEM SUMMARY			
Program:		JCPC Administration	
Fiscal Year:		FY 25-26	Number of Months: 12
	Cash	In Kind	Total
<b>I. Personnel Services</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>		<b>\$7,700</b>
120 Salaries & Wages			\$0
180 Fringe Benefits			\$0
190 Professional Services*	\$7,700		\$7,700
*Contracts MUST be attached			
<b>II. Supplies &amp; Materials</b>	<b>\$3,237</b>		<b>\$3,237</b>
210 Household & Cleaning			\$0
220 Food & Provisions	\$2,537		\$2,537
230 Education & Medical			\$0
240 Construction & Repair			\$0
250 Vehicle Supplies & Materials			\$0
260 Office Supplies and Materials	\$700		\$700
280 Heating & Utility Supplies			\$0
290 Other Supplies and Materials			\$0
<b>III. Current Obligations &amp; Services</b>	<b>\$400</b>		<b>\$400</b>
310 Travel & Transportation			\$0
320 Communications			\$0
330 Utilities			\$0
340 Printing & Binding			\$0
350 Repairs & Maintenance			\$0
370 Advertising	\$400		\$400
380 Data Processing			\$0
390 Other Services			\$0
<b>IV. Fixed Charges &amp; Other Expenses</b>			<b>\$0</b>
410 Rental or Real Property			\$0
430 Equipment Rental			\$0
440 Service and Maint. Contracts			\$0
450 Insurance & Bonding			\$0
490 Other Fixed Charges			\$0
<b>V. Capital Outlay</b>			<b>\$0</b>
<b>[This Section Requires Cash Match]</b>			
510 Office Furniture & Equipment			\$0
530 Educational Equipment			\$0
540 Motor Vehicle			\$0
550 Other Equipment			\$0
580 Buildings, Structure & Improv.			\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,337</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,337</b>

## SUMMARY REPORT OF THE SAMPSON COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL RISK/NEEDS/STRENGTHS ASSESSMENT

- I. Risk/Needs/Strengths Assessment Summary and Observations
- II. Resource Assessment Summary
- III. Summary of Gaps in the Community Continuum
- IV. Proposed Priority Services for Funding

### **Part I. Risk/Needs/Strengths Assessment Summary and Observations**

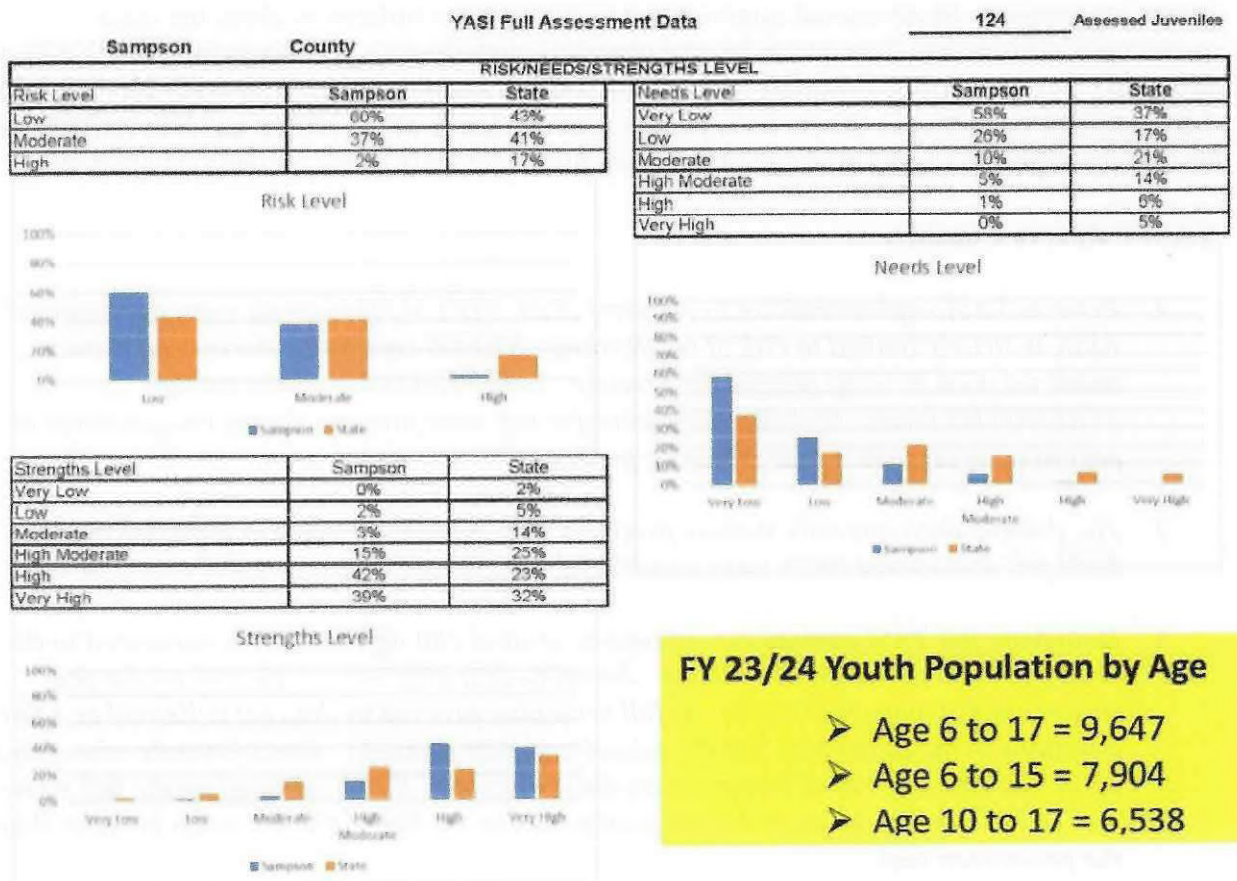
The Planning Committee reviewed data gleaned from the YASI (Youth Assessment Screening Instrument) Assessment administered by Juvenile Court Counselors after juveniles are referred with a complaint alleging that a delinquent act has occurred and prior to adjudication of the juvenile. Juvenile Court Counselors conduct motivation interviewing using a YASI full or pre-screen assessment. Motivational interviewing techniques are utilized to glean the most meaningful information from juveniles and parent(s)/custodian(s). The purpose of the YASI is two-fold (1.) to determine juveniles' risk of reoffending and (2.) to begin layering services that interrupt their trajectory in the juvenile justice system. Some of the individual item ratings may be heavily dependent upon information reported by the juvenile or the parent(s)/custodian(s).

#### **YASI Points to Consider:**

1. *Prior to YASI implementation in January 2020, STRENGTHS levels were not assessed. RISK is strictly limited to risk of reoffending. NEEDS represents the overall service needs we need to wrap around the juvenile. Low NEEDS correlates to high STRENGTHS levels. Overlap may occur for the same juvenile during reassessment as part of each juvenile's case planning process.*
2. *The domain data sets only include juveniles who scored moderate to high risk on the YASI full assessment (60% were considered low risk after receiving full assessment).*
3. *Data from full YASI assessment represents around 100 different items compared to the YASI pre-screen of around 33 items. Juveniles that only scored low risk on the pre-screen did not move forward to the full screening process so data set is limited to a few questions in the individual, family, school and peer domains. Every juvenile who showed up in this data set scored moderate on the pre-screen. When assessed on the full screen, they fell to low risk because the range of points in the Full YASI are much broader than the pre-screen tool.*
4. *In FY 2023-2024, there were 6,538 juveniles in Sampson County ages 10-17 (target age range for North Carolina Department of Public Safety Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Juvenile Court Services). Children under 10 years old are no longer chargeable unless it is a serious offense, and they are given a status of "vulnerable juveniles" who are not processed through the juvenile justice system.*

5. 124 YASI Full Assessments were completed in FY 23/24. The YASI data set includes history in domains:

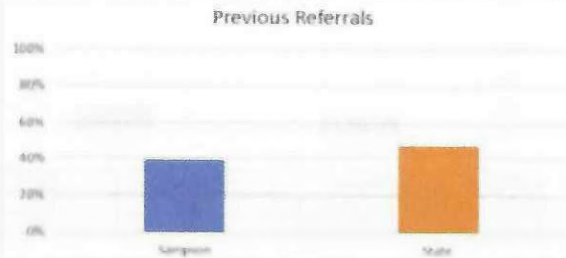
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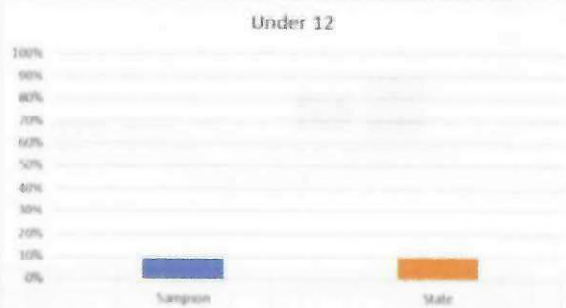


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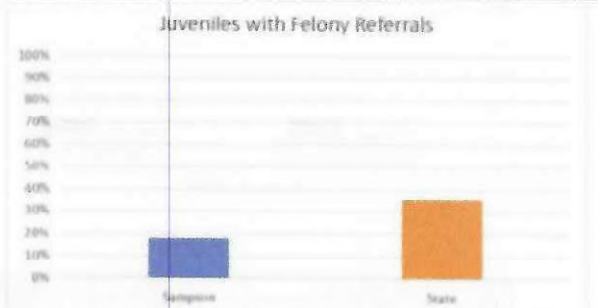
LEGAL HISTORY					
Q1 Previous Delinquent Referrals	Sampson	State	Q3 Number of Referrals w Result	Sampson	State
Previous Referrals	39%	47%	Referrals with a Result	42%	64%



Q2 Age at First Referral	Sampson	State
Under 12	9%	9%



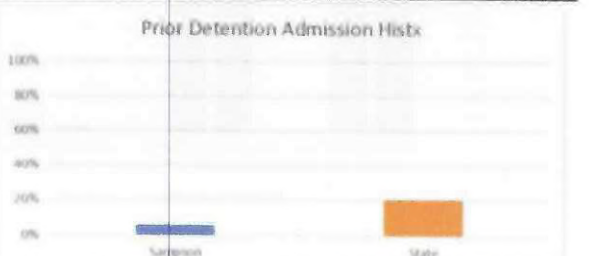
Q4 Felony Referrals to DJJ	Sampson	State
Juveniles with Felony Referrals	18%	35%



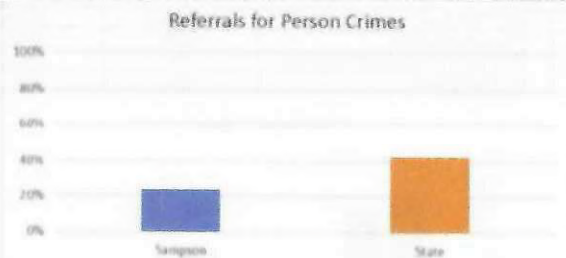
Q6 Weapon Offenses - 1 or more	Sampson	State
Previous Weapon Offense - Yes	6%	17%



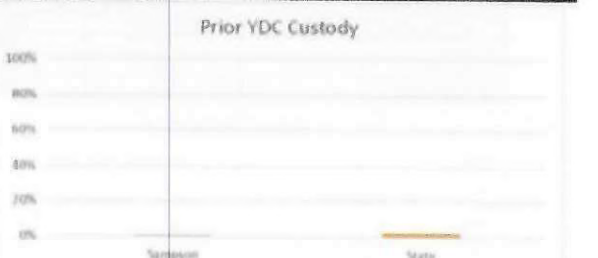
Q10 Detention Admissions	Sampson	State
Prior Detention Admission Histx	6%	20%



Q7 Person Crimes	Sampson	State
Referrals for Person Crimes	25%	42%



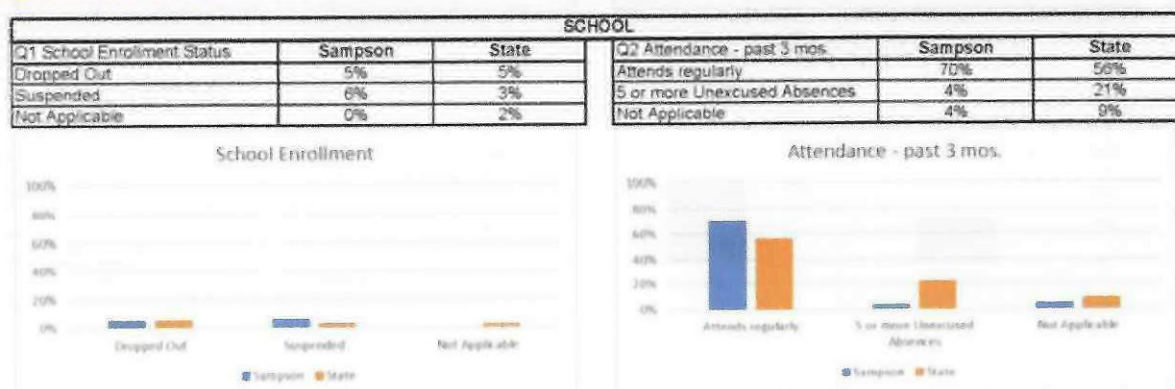
Q11 YDC Placement	Sampson	State
Prior YDC Custody	1%	2%



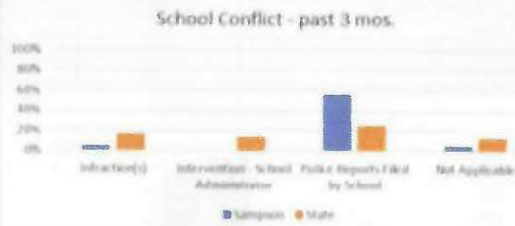
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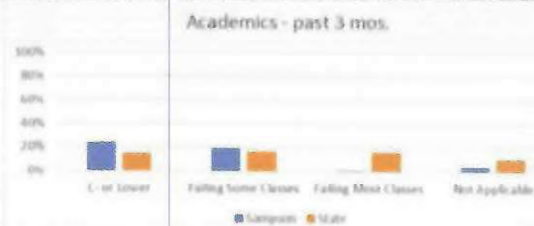
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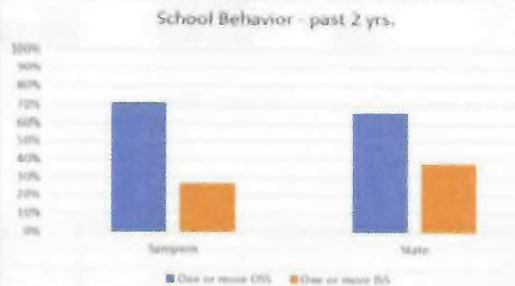
Q3 School Conflict - past 3 mos	Sampson	State
Infraction(s)	4%	16%
Intervention - School Administrator	0%	12%
Police Reports Filed by School	56%	24%
Not Applicable	4%	11%



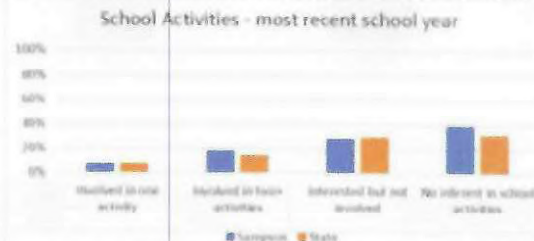
Q4 Academics - past 3 mos.	Sampson	State
C- or Lower	23%	14%
Failing Some Classes	18%	16%
Failing Most Classes	1%	15%
Not Applicable	4%	10%



Q10 School Behavior - past 2 yrs.	Sampson	State
One or more OSS	71%	66%
One or more ISS	27%	37%

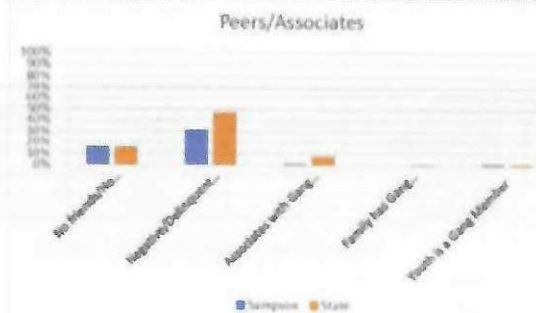


Q12 School Activities - past 3 mos.	Sampson	State
Involved in one activity	8%	8%
Involved in two+ activities	18%	14%
Interested but not involved	28%	29%
No interest in school activities	39%	31%

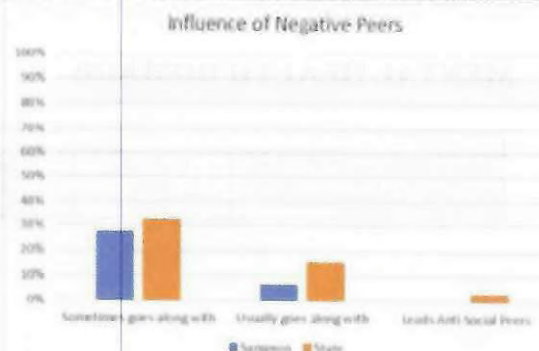


#### 4. COMMUNITY & PEERS DOMAIN:

COMMUNITY & PEERS		
Q1 Peers/Associates	Sampson	State
No friends/No Consistent Friends	16%	15%
Negative/Delinquent Influence	31%	47%
Associates with Gang Members	2%	7%
Family has Gang Members	0%	1%
Youth is a Gang Member	2%	2%



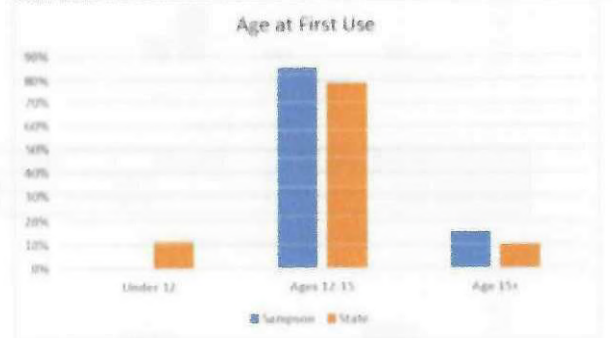
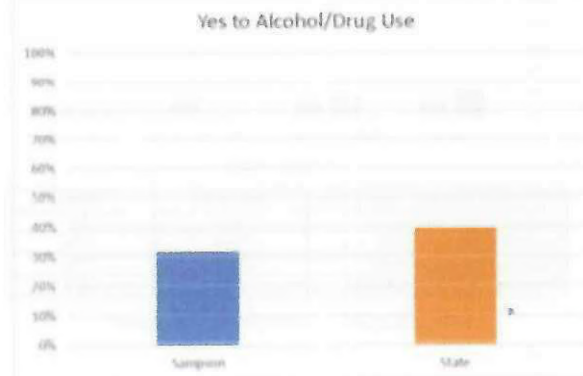
Q6 Negative Peer Associations	Sampson	State
Sometimes goes along with	27%	32%
Usually goes along with	6%	10%
Leads Anti-Social Peers	0%	5%



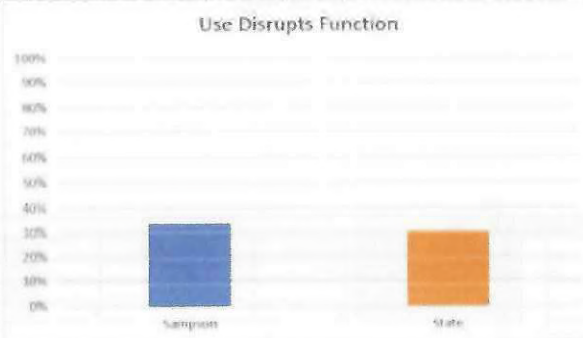


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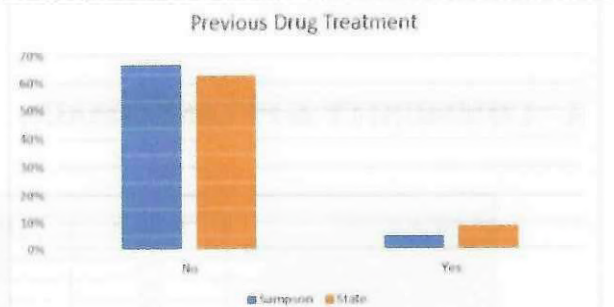
ALCOHOL/DRUGS - Q1-Q3 dividing by Juveniles with "Yes" to Alcohol/Drugs					
% Reporting Alcohol/Drug Use	Sampson	State	Q1 Age at 1st Use	Sampson	State
Yes to Alcohol/Drug Use	31%	30%	Under 12	0%	11%
			Ages 12-15	85%	78%
			Age 15+	15%	10%



Q1 Alcohol/Drug Use	Sampson	State
Use Disrupts Function	33%	30%

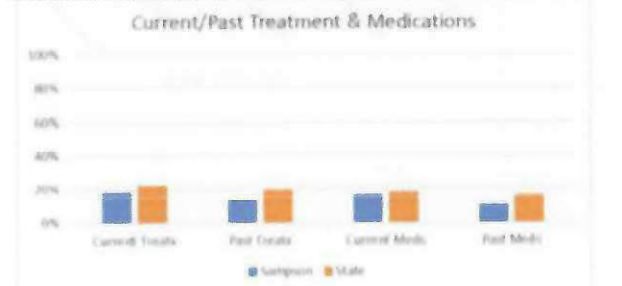
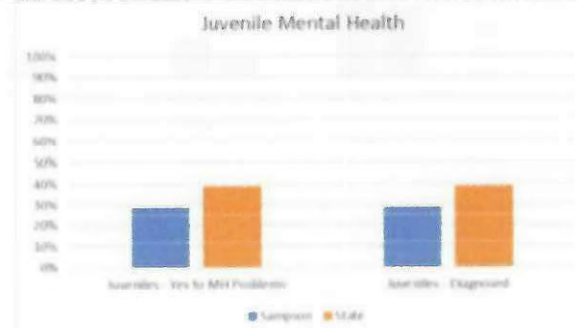


Q3 Previous Alcohol/Drug Treats	Sampson	State
No	67%	63%
Yes	5%	9%



## 6. MENTAL HEALTH DOMAIN:

MENTAL HEALTH					
Juvenile Mental Health Problems	Sampson	State	Q1 Current/Past Treats-Meds	Sampson	State
Juveniles - Yes to MH Problems	28%	39%	Current Treats	18%	22%
Juveniles - Diagnosed	28%	39%	Past Treats	13%	19%
			Current Meds	16%	18%
			Past Meds	10%	16%





Q5 History of Abuse	Sampson	State
Physical Abuse Histx	1%	9%
Sexual Abuse Histx	2%	6%



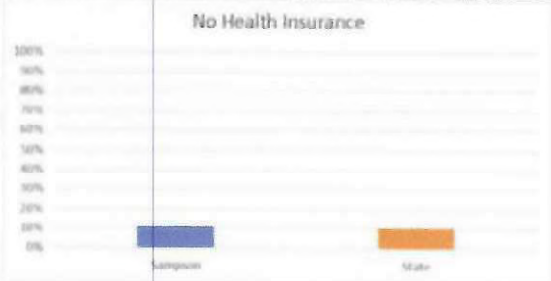
Q6 Victimization History	Sampson	State
Sexual Vulnerability	0%	6%
Victim of Bullying	2%	10%
Physical Assault	4%	9%



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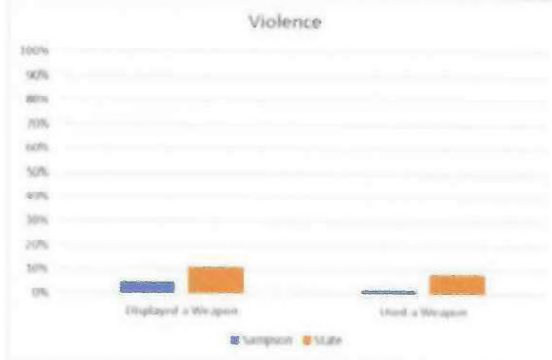
### PHYSICAL HEALTH

Q2 Health Insurance	Sampson	State
No Health Insurance	10%	10%



## 8. AGGRESSION DOMAIN:

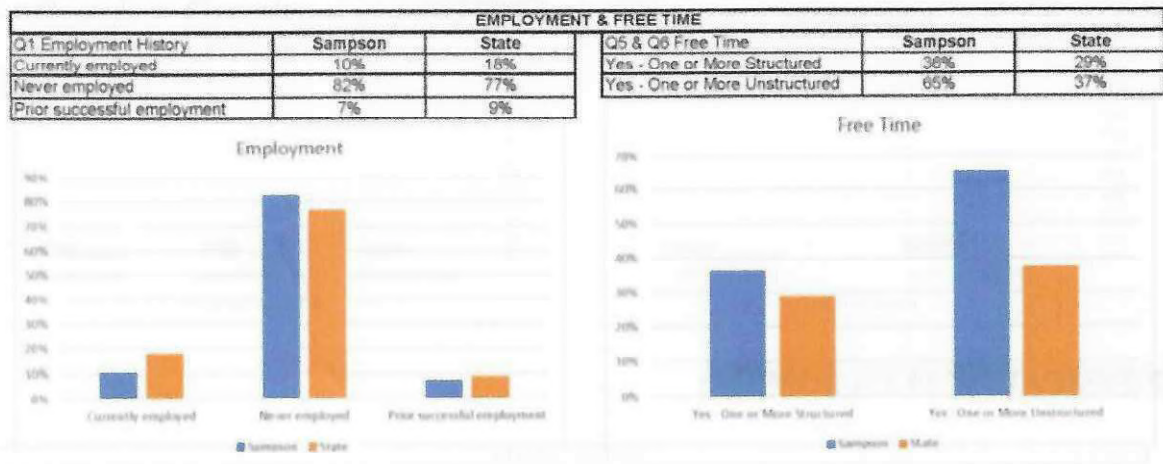
AGGRESSION		
Q1 Violence	Sampson	State
Displayed a Weapon	5%	11%
Used a Weapon	2%	8%



Q1 Violence	Sampson	State
Bullying/Threatening	11%	23%
Destruction of Property	3%	12%
Assaultive Behavior	31%	41%
AISI-Assault w Serious Injury	4%	5%



## 9. EMPLOYMENT & FREE TIME DOMAIN:



## Part II. Resource Assessment

Name of Program Component:	Building Peace in Schools: Mediation Services
Component Description:	The Mediation Center of Eastern Carolina's Building Peace in Schools Program provides youth mediation, truancy mediation, conflict resolution, and restorative circles to youth referred from schools, community organizations, and other appropriate referral sources in Sampson County. Family group conferencing will also be available when appropriate to youth, relatives, and parents/ guardians.
Name of Program Component:	MCEC Mentors
Component Description:	Mediation Center of Eastern Carolina's Mentors Program matches adult volunteers with youth in Sampson County who are at risk and/or referred by juvenile court for one-on-one mentoring and/or small group mentoring events. Mentors and mentees will meet approximately 2 hours per week to work on positive youth development, skill building activities, homework, and recreation activities.
Name of Program Component:	Juvenile Restitution/Community Service
Component Description:	The Sampson County 4H Juvenile Restitution/Community Service program provides court-involved and at risk youth opportunities to complete activities that allow them to learn and accept responsibility and accountability for their actions through completion of service hours in their community and in some instances, earning restitution to compensate victims who are impacted financially by the youth's behavior.
Name of Program Component:	Teen Court
Component Description:	Sampson County 4H Teen Court is a juvenile diversion option for youth in Sampson County that uses youth volunteers and adult volunteers from the judicial system to conduct teen court. Youth are tried by a jury of their peers and sentenced to sanctions that may include community service hours, write victim apology letters, complete life-skill building seminars, and perform jury duty service in future Teen Court cases.
Name of Program Component:	Sampson County 4-H YIG (Youth Inspire Group)
Component Description:	Sampson County 4-H Youth Inspire Group programming is designed to serve at-risk and delinquent youth (8-17 years old) focusing on reducing recidivism, improving communication skills, increasing their motivation for school, problem-solving skills and interpersonal skills for youth to interact in a positive way with others. Parents are included to improve parenting skills with youth.
Name of Program Component:	Social Skill Building
Component Description:	Janice Faye's Ranch provides a 12-week experiential equine-assisted skillbuilding program for court-involved youth or those at risk of interfacing with the juvenile justice system. Certified Equine Specialists partner rescued horses with youth to develop, practice and master pro-social skills including interpersonal, problem solving, anger management, academic enhancement, vocational development and other life skills to reduce delinquent behaviors and empower pro-social peer relationships.



### Part III. Summary of Gaps in the Continuum of Services

Sampson County Continuum of Services - At a Glance (11/2023)								
Instructions: Adjust arrows to cover target populations								
<div><div></div> JCPC funded</div> <div><div></div> Available in Community</div> <div><div></div> Needed Services</div> <div><div></div> Available but difficult access</div> <div><div></div> DPS funded/Non JCPC</div>		Comprehensive Strategy						
		Prevention			Graduated Sanctions			
		Target Populations						
Program Services & Structures Categories	Instructions: Adjust arrows to cover target populations	All Youth	Youth at Greatest Risk	Pre-Adjudicated Youth	Delinquent-Level I Prot. Supervision	Delinquent-Level II Youth	Delinquent-Level III Youth	Post Release Youth
Structured Activities	Include youth engaged in							
	JCPC Activities							
	Online Anger/Conflict Building							
	Life/Cooperative Extension							
	Form & Eng. Goals of Annual							
Restorative Services	SCAH Rehabilitation							
	SCAH Community Service							
	SCAH Teen Court							
	JCPC Mediation, School Based							
Community Day Programming								
Clinical Treatment	Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST)							
	AMIseds (FFT)							
	Eastpointe							
	Sex Off. Treatment/Assessments							
Assessment Services	Juvenile Crisis & Assessment CO							
	SCAH Psychological Assessments							
	Eastpointe							
	Sex Offender Assessment							
Residential	Open House							
	Crawles Transitional Living (Males)							
	North Hills Transitional Living (Girls)							
	WestCare Residential (Girls)							
	Edwards Residential (Males)							

The Planning Committee has identified the following Gaps in Services:

1. Substance abuse assessments and prevention programming.
2. Psychological assessments for court-involved youth.
3. Access to community day programming.
4. Access to emergency respite housing/shelter.
5. Professional development/interpersonal skill building programs for 16-18 year olds.
6. Gang prevention programs.
7. Career readiness and vocational skills for youth 16-18.
8. Services Addressing Problem Sexual Behavior.

#### **Part IV. Proposed Priority Services for Funding**

The committee compared the services needed to address the elevated Juvenile Risk Factors and Juvenile Needs with services currently available in the community. Services which are currently available in the community and enough to meet the needs of court involved youth or those youth most at risk for court involvement are not considered as a priority for JCPC funding.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mentoring Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restitution/Community Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Services Addressing Problem Sexual Behavior
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parent/Family Skill Building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teen Court – including Sentencing and Responsive Circles	<input type="checkbox"/> Group Home
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interpersonal Skill Building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Psychological Assessments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary Shelter Care
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational Skills	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Counseling	<input type="checkbox"/> Runaway Shelter Care
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Experiential Skills	<input type="checkbox"/> Home Based Family Counseling	<input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Foster Care
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tutoring/Academic Enhancement	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Group/Mixed Counseling	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Foster Care
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mediation/Conflict Resolution – including Truancy Mediation, Victim-Youth and Family Group Conferencing, Responsive Circles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Counseling	<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Structured Day

**The Committee proposes that the following program types be approved as the funding priorities for FY 2025-2026**

Report Submitted to the JCPC for inclusion in the FY 2025-2026 Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Annual Plan and Certification.

Tiffany Blackburn  
Tiffany Blackburn, Chair, Risk and Needs Committee

Risk and Needs Committee Chair

5-13-25  
Date



# Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Funding Decisions Summary

Funding Decision for:	FY 25-26	Date Completed:
Program(s) Funded	Select 1-year or 2-year funding and reason(s) for Funding	(Check all that apply)
Psychological Services	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-year Funding approved for FY      and      OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-year Funding approved for FY25-26	<b>Rationale for 2-year Funding approval:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Funded in past      years <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with county/JCPC and DPS (following PA, timely reports, reporting to JCPC as requested) <input type="checkbox"/> Favorable JCPC monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> In compliance with Consultant Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Quality of Service Assessment (QOS) rating is min 70% (min. score of 14) OR progress made on PEP in QOS. <input type="checkbox"/> Provides an essential dispositional option, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> Meets target population as described in Program Agreement ( <i>number served, and described target population</i> ), with minimal exceptions (i.e. less than 10% variance)
Teen Court/Restitution	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-year Funding approved for FY      and      OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-year Funding approved for FY25-26	<b>Rationale for 2-year Funding approval:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Funded in past      years <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with county/JCPC and DPS (following PA, timely reports, reporting to JCPC as requested) <input type="checkbox"/> Favorable JCPC monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> In compliance with Consultant Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Quality of Service Assessment (QOS) rating is min 70% (min. score of 14) OR progress made on PEP in QOS. <input type="checkbox"/> Provides an essential dispositional option, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> Meets target population as described in Program Agreement ( <i>number served, and described target population</i> ), with minimal exceptions (i.e. less than 10% variance)
Youth Inspire	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-year Funding approved for FY      and      OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-year Funding approved for FY25-26	<b>Rationale for 2-year Funding approval:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Funded in past      years <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with county/JCPC and DPS (following PA, timely reports, reporting to JCPC as requested) <input type="checkbox"/> Favorable JCPC monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> In compliance with Consultant Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Quality of Service Assessment (QOS) rating is min 70% (min. score of 14) OR progress made on PEP in QOS. <input type="checkbox"/> Provides an essential dispositional option, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> Meets target population as described in Program Agreement ( <i>number served, and described target population</i> ), with minimal exceptions (i.e. less than 10% variance)
Mediation in Schools	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-year Funding approved for FY      and      OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-year Funding approved for FY25-26	<b>Rationale for 2-year Funding approval:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Funded in past      years <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with county/JCPC and DPS (following PA, timely reports, reporting to JCPC as requested) <input type="checkbox"/> Favorable JCPC monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> In compliance with Consultant Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Quality of Service Assessment (QOS) rating is min 70% (min. score of 14) OR progress made on PEP in QOS. <input type="checkbox"/> Provides an essential dispositional option, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> Meets target population as described in Program Agreement ( <i>number served, and described target population</i> ), with minimal exceptions (i.e. less than 10% variance)

# Program Enhancement Plan


Program: Youth Inspire Groups - Interpersonal Skill Building

Component

Type: Program provides services that focus on developing social skills required for an individual to interact in a positive way with others.

Category	Score	Enhancement Opportunity	Action Steps	Responsible Party	Comments:
Primary Service Supplemental Services	15			Denise McIntyre	
Quality of Service Delivery	20	Maintain quality of programming	Continue to provide quality services while maintaining program standards as recorded in the QOS Assessment.	Denise McIntyre	
Amount of Service: Duration and Contact Hours	6		Continue to complete clients successful with very few satisfactory completion	Denise McIntyre	
Risk Level of Youth	2	Willing to serve a higher level client	serve high level clients	Denise McIntyre	Willing to serve juveniles with higher risk levels when referrals are received

This Plan is approved by:

  
Program Manager Name & Signature

Date

☒ Yes ☐ No  
Plan presented to JCPC

11/18/24  
Date

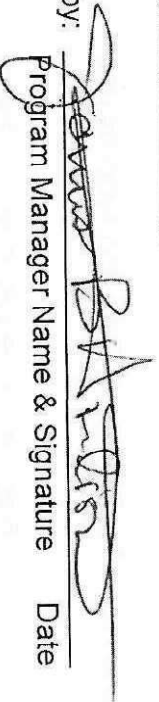


# Program Enhancement Plan

Program: **SAMPSON COUNTY JUVENILE RESTITUTION/COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Component Type: **RESTORATIVE**

Category	Score	Enhancement Opportunity	Action Steps	Responsible Party	Comments:
Primary Service Supplemental Services	15	NONE			Received the maximum number of points for this category.
Quality of Service Delivery	20	NONE			Received the maximum points for this category.
Amount of Service; Duration and Contact Hours	4	Increase Duration	Continue the attempt to keep youth longer when possible	Coordinator	Decrease in the number of hours many youth have received, along with the time in which youth are to be terminated has not allowed for target hours and weeks to be met.
Risk Level of Youth	7 13	Increase Duration			SA Received the maximum points for this category.

This Plan is approved by:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Program Manager Name & Signature

Date

☒ Yes ☐ No  
Plan presented to JCPC

11/18/24  
Date



## Program Enhancement Plan

Program/County:

Building Peace in Schools-Mediation/ Sampson County

Program SPEP type:

MCEC Mentors- Scored 76 out of 100 available for total POP Score is 80%

Category	Total SPEP Score	Enhancement Opportunity	Action Steps	Responsible Party	Comments:
Primary Service Supplemental Services	30	N/A	Meet with the consultant to explore if supplemental services are appropriate for this program.	Program Manager/Executive Director	Meet with the consultant to assess the suitability of supplemental services for the program. Collaborate with local schools, guidance counselors, and after-school programs to identify at-risk or underserved youth who would benefit from mentoring. Partner with youth-focused organization to broaden our referral network.
Quality of Service Delivery	20	20	Program received max scores in this category	Program Manager/Executive Director	Program received max scores in this category
Amount of Service: Duration and Contact Hours	20	16	Program will ensure all contact hours are being met. Program manager will reiterate the importance of contact hours with volunteers and staff providing services.	Program Manager/Executive Director	Program Manager will regularly follow up with volunteers and staff supporting the program to ensure that contact hour requirements are being met. Additionally, the Program Manager will reach out to parents monthly to confirm that the contact hour goals are on track.
Risk Level of Youth	25	16	Program will improve its assessment scoring process for participants	Program Manager/Executive Director	Program will implement more comprehensive risk assessments and intake processes to ensure accurate scoring and evaluation.
Total	76/95 80%				

This Plan is completed by: Nikita Newkirk

Program Manager Name

11/19/2024

Date

## Program Enhancement Plan

Program/County:

Building Peace in Schools-Mediation/ Sampson County

Program SPEP type:

Building Peace in Schools-Mediation

Category	Total SPEP Score	Enhancement Opportunity	Action Steps	Responsible Party	Comments:
Primary Service Supplemental Services	30	N/A	Meet with the consultant to explore if supplemental services are appropriate for this program.	Program Manager/Executive Director	Meet with the consultant to assess the suitability of supplemental services for the program. Collaborated with local schools, guidance counselors, and after-school programs to identify at-risk or underserved youth who would benefit from the mediation program. Reached out to our DJJ Counselors to ensure they are utilizing the program for those that are in need. Reached out to other programs under to ensure they are taking advantage of the programs to ensure their clients are receiving all the assistance they require and need.
Quality of Service Delivery	20	20	Program received max scores in this category	Program Manager/Executive Director	Collaborated with the schools, guidance counselors to proactively identify at-risk or underserved youth who could benefit from the mediation program. These partnerships have enabled intervention by addressing conflicts in school settings and supporting youth in managing challenges constructively.
Amount of Service: Duration and Contact Hours	20	N/A	Program will ensure all contact hours are being met. Program manager will reiterate the importance of contact hours with volunteers and staff providing services.	Program Manager/Executive Director	Program Manager will regularly follow up with volunteers supporting the program to ensure that contact hour requirements are being met. Additionally, the Program Manager will reach out to parents to see how their child has responded to the program.
Risk Level of Youth	25	N/A	Program will improve its assessment scoring process for participants	Program Manager/Executive Director	Program Manager recognizes the importance of accurate, fair, and efficient assessment scoring to better evaluate the client's needs, progress, and outcomes.
Total					

This Plan is completed by: Nikita Newkirk

Program Manager Name

11/19/2024

Date



## **Sampson County FY 2025-2026 Program Descriptions**

### **Mediation School Based**

Provides victim -offender mediation and conflict resolution to youth referred from schools in Sampson County.

### **Mentoring**

Adult volunteers are matched with youth at risk and/or referred by juvenile court for one-on-one mentoring and/or small group mentoring events. Mentors and mentees will meet approximately 2 hours per week to work on positive youth development, skill building activities, homework, and recreation activities.

### **Interpersonal Skill Building (Youth Inspire Groups)**

Programming is designed to serve at-risk and delinquent youth (10-17 years old) focusing on reducing recidivism, improving communication skills, increasing their motivation for school, problem solving skills and interpersonal skills for youth to interact in a positive way with others. Parents are included to improve parenting skills with youth.

### **Restitution & Community Service**

Youth will learn responsibility and be accountable for their actions by completing community service hours in their community and some, earning restitution to repay victims for their loss.

### **Teen Court**

Teen Courts are conducted by teen and adult volunteers from the judicial system with sanctions decided by a jury of their peers which could include community service hours, apology letters to victims, if applicable, life skills classes and jury sessions.

### **Equine Assisted Social Skill Building**

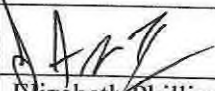
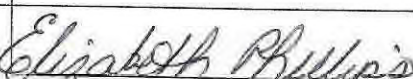
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## Contract for Professional Services Template

This Contract for Professional Services is entered into by and between the **Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council** (*hereinafter referred to as the Agency*), and **Elizabeth Phillips**, (*hereinafter referred to as the Contractor*).

The Agency and the Contractor do mutually agree as follows:

- 1. Term of Agreement.** This agreement shall become effective July 1, 2025 and shall terminate **June 30, 2026**. This contract may be terminated by either party by providing a thirty day written notice to the other party with a copy of the notice submitted to the JCPC Chairperson, and the DPS Area Consultant.
- 2. Payment to Contractor.** Agency and Contractor agree upon these rates as reimbursed fees:  
the services will be delivered at the rate of \$ 700.00 per month (Indicate type of hour/unit service), not to exceed \$7,700 for the term of this contract. The Contractor must submit a signed monthly request for reimbursement to the Agency documenting the actual time worked or the units of service provided.
- 3. Funding.** All terms and conditions of this Contract are dependent upon and subject to the allocation of funds for the purpose set forth in this Contract, and this Contract shall automatically terminate if funds cease to be available. The terms of the contract are limited to the availability of the JCPC funds which have been allocated for that purpose.
- 4. Taxes.** The Contractor shall be considered an independent Contractor and as such shall be responsible of all taxes.
- 5. DPS JCPC Policy and Procedure.** The Contractor shall adhere to all DPS JCPC standards, policies, and procedures related to the provision of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.
- 6. Responsibilities of Contractor.** The Contractor hereby agrees to provide the following services in a manner satisfactory to the Agency, within the stated time frames.
  - A. Prepares meeting agenda's and notifies members as directed by Chair.
  - B. Coordinates meeting meals
  - C. Takes minutes for all JCPC proceedings and presents them to members at the next scheduled meeting; records all resolutions and votes taken in matters.
  - D. Prepares the JCPC Certification and annual County Funding Plan and submits to DPS by the established due date.
  - E. Keep an accurate and current membership list.
  - F. Takes roll and determines quorum for all meetings of the general membership.

Program Administrator or Authorized Agent Name and Title:	Sgt. James Jones, Sampson County JCPC Chair		
(Agency) Mailing Address:	Fontana Street Clinton, NC 28328		
Signature:		Date:	5-13-25
Contractor Name:	Elizabeth Phillips		
	PO Box 2084 Clinton, NC 28329		
Signature:		Date:	5-13-25



**JCPC MEMBERS Present:** Scott Hodges, Sgt. James Jones, Tamra Jones, Dana Hall, Kimberly Hicks, Jennifer Daughtry, Donald Fisher, Tiffany Blackburn, Jennifer Daughtry, Jim DeMay, David K Clack, Sandra Webster, Quorum noted.

**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Program Providers:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

➤ **Welcome**

Approval of May Minutes

Full Board

**Chair – Sgt. James Jones**

Motion to approve the minutes made by Donald Fisher, second David K Clack. Passed unanimously with quorum present.

➤ **Funding Committee Update:** David K Clack presented the Sampson County FY 24-25 JCPC Funding Requests to the counsel as listed below.

➤ **Funding Available \$214,815**

Program Provider	Program Type	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Funding Notes
Mediation Center of Eastern Carolina	Mediation/Mentoring	\$57,942	\$56,000	All required uploads submitted
SC4H Juvenile Restitution/Teen Court	Restitution/Community Service	\$88,327	\$84,700	No uploads required. Returned \$2,484 back to state at final accounting for FY 22/23
SC4H Youth Inspire Group	Interpersonal Skill Bldg.	\$42,287	\$42,000	No uploads required. Returned \$2,975 back to state at final accounting for FY 22/23
SC4H Psychological Svcs,	Psychological Assessments	\$5,600	\$0.00	No uploads required. Returned \$1,400 back to state at final accounting for FY 22/23
Janice Fayeres Ranch Equine Assisted Skill Bldg.	Interpersonal Skill Bldg.	\$37,806	\$21,000	All required uploads submitted
JCPC Administration		\$10,700	\$11,115	
TOTALS		\$242,662		

Conference Call 5/13/2024 at 11:30 am, David Clack, Jennifer Daughtry, Tamra Jones, Sandra Webster attended. Tamra Jones made the motion to recommend the above funding amounts to the JCPC and Jennifer Daughtry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to accept/approve- Kimberly Hicks, seconded Donald Fisher.

➤ **Court Services**

Tiffany presented her updates and report to the counsel.

**Tiffany Blackburn**  
 Chief Court Counselor

➤ **DPS Update(s)**

Crystal discussed Budget Revisions, recurring JCPC Funds. Currently waiting for Budget approval.

**Crystal Bennett**  
 JCPC Area Consultant

• **4-H TEEN COURT May 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served -28

Youth served this month – 11

Referrals – 0

Last Teen Court trials for the 23-24 fiscal year were held May 16, 2024. Worked on out of school schedule to accommodate parent and youth in completing sanctions handed down. Program continued to operate via face-to-face contact.

-A couple of parents were not taking the opportunity to avoid sitting in juvenile court seriously until staff got stern. Another Thank you to Tiffany Blackburn for her assistance with teen court during the absence of the Judge (atty) who was representing a client on a murder charge in another county.

• **JUVENILE RESTITUTION May 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served - 51

Youth served this month –16

Referrals -4

-Face-to Face interaction with youth and parent/guardian continued during the month of May for In-takes, visitations. To ensure everyone worked at least one day, staff separated females for days males worked. When it was not feasible, youth continued to work in separate areas.

-Had to request counselors assistance in contacting some parents. To stay out of the heat, Sunset Avenue school allowed youth to complete cs hours assisting custodians with presence of contact workers.

**4-H Teen Court JUNE 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served-28

Youth served this month-8

Referrals-0

Youth, parents, and staff communicated face-face, phone, mail. Staff communicated with referring agents (DJJ SRO's) via phone, face-to-face, and/or email.

-A special thank you to the court counselors and SROs for their assistance in helping staff with contacting parents And/or ensuring parents were present for in-take appts during the 2023-2024 school term

**JUVENILE RESTITUTIONS JUNE 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served-3

Youth served this month-7

Referrals -

**4-H Teen Court July 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served – 0

Youth Served this month -0

Referrals -0

-July Munis Report not received prior to today's meeting

-Youth, parents, and staff communicated via face-to-face contact, phone, mail. Staff communicated with referring agents (DJJ SRO's) via face-to-face contact, and/or email on a weekly basis.

-Challenges: Parents not maintaining documentation. Success: Youth continued to work towards completing sanctions.





**MENTORING REPORTS- JULY 2024**

YTD -3

Youth served this month -3

Referrals -0

Nikita Newkirk

- **MEDIATION REPORTS JULY 2024**

YTD served - 1

Youth served this month - 1

Referrals - 1

Nikita Newkirk

- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. May 2024**

YTD served - 2

Youth served this month -9

Referrals-2

Lakewood High School's mental health class visited on 5/10. The class has kids interested in beginning the ranch Program. The teacher is planning to schedule once a month visits when school starts back in the fall. As mentioned previously, Lakewood High School's mental health teacher is planning to schedule monthly ranch visits when school starts back in the fall.

The ranch foresees more interest in new clients beginning the program once school is out for the summer.

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

**EQUINE ASSISTED SOCIAL SKILL BLDG. June 2024**

YTD served -5

Youth served this month -14

Referrals-2

Participation interest increased after the school year ended with seven new referrals and admissions since May.

Challenges for the summer are the heat and having to be more flexible with the time sessions begin and End. Adding a covered arena for allowing sessions to continue no matter what the weather would alleviate The issue.

Agency news is that interest continues to increase for clients wanting to begin and/or continue the program. The ranch also has (2) new volunteer interests with (1) already having started and the other scheduled for a Tour in July.

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

**EQUINE ASSISTED SOCIAL SKILL BLDG. JULY 224**

YTD Served - 0

Youth served this month - 12

Referrals - 0

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

➤ **Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

Open

➤ **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn

Motion made to adjourn by Donald Fisher, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Scott Hodges

Chairman, Sgt. James Jones

➤ **Next meeting September 10, 2024 12pm - Until - In Person, Sampson County Finance Office**  
**Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, September 4, 2024**



**JUVENILE RESTITUTIONS JULY 2024****Danelle Graham**

YTD Served -3

Youth served this month -7

Referrals -3

July's Munis Report not received to today's meeting

Contact with parents was made face-to-face, phone and/or email. Contact with Court Counselors was made via face-to-face, phone, and/or emails on a weekly basis

**YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS – May 2024****Denise McIntyre**

- YTD Served -33

Youth served this month - 10

Referrals -0

New Class starts May 7, 2024

- **YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS June 2024**

**Denise McIntyre**

YTD Served -33

Youths served this month -0

Referrals -0

The Finance Report is unavailable at this time. All funds reflect the previous month finance report  
Our issues with this group were participation in group activities willing and attendance. We had several that did not show up and others that were late several times.

**YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS July 2024****Denise McIntyre**

YTD Served - 0

Youth served this month - 0

Referrals -0

The Finance Report is unavailable at this time. All funds reflect the previous month finance report  
We currently did not have any classes after June 24

- **MENTORING REPORTS MAY 2024**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD Served - 3

Youth served this month - 3

Referrals -1

- **MEDIATION REPORTS May 2024**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD served - 29

Youth served this month - 26

Referrals - 3

**MENTORING REPORTS**

- **Mentoring – JUNE 2024**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD Served - 3

Youth served this month - 3

Referrals -0

- **MEDIATION REPORTS June 2024**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD Served - 30

Youth served this month -24

Referrals - 1

**MENTORING REPORTS- JULY 2024**

YTD -3

Youth served this month -3

Referrals -0

Nikita Newkirk

- **MEDIATION REPORTS JULY 2024**

YTD served - 1

Youth served this month - 1

Referrals - 1

Nikita Newkirk

- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. May 2024**

YTD served - 2

Youth served this month -9

Referrals-2

Lakewood High School's mental health class visited on 5/10. The class has kids interested in beginning the ranch Program. The teacher is planning to schedule once a month visits when school starts back in the fall. As mentioned previously, Lakewood High School's mental health teacher is planning to schedule monthly ranch visits when school starts back in the fall.

The ranch foresees more interest in new clients beginning the program once school is out for the summer.

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

**EQUINE ASSISTED SOCIAL SKILL BLDG. June 2024**

YTD served -5

Youth served this month -14

Referrals-2

Participation interest increased after the school year ended with seven new referrals and admissions since May.

Challenges for the summer are the heat and having to be more flexible with the time sessions begin and End. Adding a covered arena for allowing sessions to continue no matter what the weather would alleviate The issue.

Agency news is that interest continues to increase for clients wanting to begin and/or continue the program. The ranch also has (2) new volunteer interests with (1) already having started and the other scheduled for a Tour in July.

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

**EQUINE ASSISTED SOCIAL SKILL BLDG. JULY 224**

YTD Served - 0

Youth served this month - 12

Referrals - 0

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

- **Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

Open

- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn

Motion made to adjourn by Donald Fisher, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Scott Hodges

Chairman, Sgt. James Jones

- **Next meeting September 10, 2024 12pm - Until - In Person, Sampson County Finance Office**  
**Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, September 4, 2024**



**JCPC MEMBERS Present:** Sgt. James Jones, Tamra Jones, Kimberly Hicks, Donald Fisher, Tiffany Blackburn, Jim DeMay, Carlina Simmon, David K Clack, Andrew Worley, and Sandra Webster. A Quorum was noted.

**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Program Providers:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

- **Welcome**  
 Approval of August 2024 Minutes Full Board Chair – Sgt. James Jones  
 Motion to approve the minutes made by Donald Fisher, second Jim DeMay. Unanimous with quorum present.

**Introductions** were made at the request of Chairman, Sgt. James Jones. Courtney Allen with Trillium Health Resources and Dr. William T. Vann, III with Clinton City Schools have requested membership to the Sampson County JCPC. Information was given to David K Clack to be presented to the Board of Commissioners for their approval. Everyone welcomed them as new members.

- **Court Services**  
 Tiffany presented her updates and report to the counsel. Tiffany Blackburn  
Chief Court Counselor

- **DPS Update(s)**  
 Crystal gave updates from DPS. Crystal Bennett  
JCPC Area Consultant

**PSYCH SVCS, 4-H TEEN COURT, RESTITUTION REPORTS- August 2024**

- **4-H TEEN COURT August 2024**  
 YTD Served -0  
 Youth served this month – 0  
 Referrals – 0  
 The above reports indicate expenses for the month of July. August Munis report was not received prior to today's meeting.  
 Face -to- Face training/meeting with volunteers and program providers to include Court Counselors. Thank you to Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. McIntyre, and Miss Newkirk.  
 Staff was able to obtain a Student Handbook for Sampson County School with the link provided to obtain the material for Clinton City School. Thank you to Mx. Owens and Mrs. Peterson for the information. Danelle Graham

- **JUVENILE RESTITUION- August 2024**  
 YTD Served - 4  
 Youth served this month – 5  
 Referrals – 8  
 The above reports indicate expenses for the month of July. August Munis Report was not received prior to today's meeting.  
 In-takes and meetings were conducted face-to-face  
 Delays in completing In Takes due to staff scheduling as well as Hurricane Debby (shelter duty). Danelle Graham

**YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS – August 2024**

- YTD Served – 0  
 Youth served this month – 0  
 Referrals -0  
 The finance report is unavailable at this time. Any or all funds reflect the previous finance report. Denise McIntyre

No Clients at this time

### **MENTORING REPORTS**

- **Mentoring – August 2024**

YTD Served – 0

Youth served this month – 2

Referrals – 0

Sessions are face to face

No changes

Nikita Newkirk

- **MEDIATION/CONFLICT RESOLUTION REPORTS August 2024**

YTD served – 7

Youth served this month – 6

Referrals – 6

Sessions are face to face

No changes

Nikita Newkirk

- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. August 2024**

YTD served – 0

Youth served this month -12

Referrals-0

Participation interest is increasing.

As the weather changes, equine assisted skill building sessions will be able to revert back to the regularly scheduled times. The summer heat created a challenge for holding mid-day or afternoon sessions.

The agency's annual golf tournament fundraiser is 9/7 and it is anticipated that this event will increase awareness of the agency's services and more interest for volunteers.

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

➤ **Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

Open

Sergeant Donald Fisher with the Clinton Police Department shared information on hosting the 2024 National Night Out on October 1, 2024 from 6pm – 8pm. The event will take place at James Newkirk Memorial Park located on Ferrell Street in Clinton, NC. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a night with local Law Enforcement Agencies and other first responder organizations and community assisting organizations. Officer Fisher asked that everyone work together to make our neighborhoods safer places to live, work, and play! Tiffany Blackburn shared the booth/vendor interest letter with all organizations present.

➤ **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn

Motion made to adjourn by Donald Fisher, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Scott Hodges

Chairman, Sgt. James Jones

➤ **Next meeting October 8, 2024 12pm – Until – In Person, Sampson County Finance Office**

Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, October 3, 2024



**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

<p>➤ Approval of September 2024 Minutes</p> <p>Motion to approve the minutes made by David K Clack, second Dana Hall. Passed unanimously with quorum present.</p>	<p>Full Board</p>
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**Tiffany Blackburn**  
Chief Court Counselor

**Crystal Bennett**  
JCPC Area Consultant

**Danelle Graham**

\*Sept. 25, 2024 Staff attended the Sampson County Coalition's "Sampson Sharing" workshop. The workshop was very informative. (face-to-face) "Promoting awareness and access to substance misuse prevention, treatment, and recovery resources in the community." This was held in the Sampson County Health Department Conference Room.

**Danelle Graham**

\*Sept. 25, 2024 Staff attended the Sampson County Coalition's "Sampson Sharing" workshop. The workshop was very informative. (face to-face)

Denise McIntyre

Youth served this month –

• **Mentoring Report – September 2024**

YTD Served – 0

Youth served this month – 2

Referrals – 0

**Nikita Newkirk**

• **MEDIATION REPORTS September 2024**

YTD Served – 8

Youth served this month – 7

Referrals – 1

\*Face-to-Face. Sessions are going well.

**Nikita Newkirk**

• **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. September 2024**

YTD served - 5

Youth served this month - 17

Referrals-5

\*Interest is increasing as the new school year begins. Participants seemed to enjoy the program activities and those attending have interest in continuing.

\*Challenges have been fitting all interested participants in the allotted time slots available. Successes are that interest is increasing and participants are anxious to continue the program as they learn life skills in moving forward through their crisis situation.

\*The program has 2 new volunteers and the agency's yearly golf tournament fundraiser was a success in raising a portion of the much-needed operational funds and in raising more awareness of the services offered.

**Keli Adams/Joy Canady**

➤ **Monitoring Committee:** Chairman, Sgt. James Jones suggested that the **Monitoring Committee** meet in December instead of February at the Cooperative Extension Building, 55 Agricultural Place, Clinton, NC. It was agreed upon to set **December 10, 2024** as the meeting date. *9am*

➤ **Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

**Open**

➤ **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn  
Motion made to adjourn

**Chairman, Sgt. James Jones**

➤ **Next meeting November 12, 2024 12pm – Until – In Person, Sampson County Finance Office**  
Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, November 6, 2024



**JCPC MEMBERS Present:** Donald Fisher, Chairman, Sgt. James Jones, Tiffany Blackburn, Carlina Simmons, Treasurer, David K. Clack, Tamra Jones, Vice Chair, Dana Hall, Andrew Worley, Jim DeMay, Courtney Allen, Sandra Webster, Kimberly Hicks. Quorum Noted.

**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Program Providers:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

- ~~September~~ **October EP 10-8-24**
- Approval of ~~September~~ 2024 Minutes Full Board  
Motion to approve the minutes made by David K Clack, second Dana Hall. Passed unanimously with quorum present.

- **Court Services** **Tiffany Blackburn**, Court Counselor  
Tiffany presented her updates and report to the counsel concerning Risk & Needs.

- **DPS Update(s)** **Crystal Bennett**  
JCPC Area Consultant  
Crystal Bennett, Area Consultant shared information concerning JCPC increase allocation. Not heard anything currently. Crystal shared information to counsel on any updates/reports from DPS.
  - SPEP ran on Friday and will be sent out this week.

Area Consultant, Crystal Bennett asked that the Risk and Needs Committee arrive 30 minutes early prior to the JCPC meeting to discuss their JCPC Request for Proposal recommendations for the new year. Members include Chair, Tiffany Blackburn, Carlina Simmons, Kimberly Hicks, Amy Drozda, Sgt. Donald Fisher, Courtney Allen.

The Sampson County RFP for Proposals for the new year will be determined at the November meeting.

Program types to be considered for funding include:

- Mentoring Services
- Interpersonal Skill Building
- Vocational Skills
- Experiential Skills
- Tutoring/Academic Enhancement
- Mediation/Conflict Resolution
- \* Restitution/Community Service
- \* Teen Court
- \* Psychological Assessments
- \* Substance Abuse Counseling
- \* Services Addressing Problem Sexual Behavior
- \* Temporary Shelter Care

Motion to advertise RFP the same as last year with the addition of Substance Abuse and including Psychological Assessments back again was made by Andrew Worley, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jim DeMay.

Crystal will get the approved RFP out to everyone and also the Risk & Needs Committee Risk assessment. The RFP advertising date needs to be set at the November meeting.

- **4-H TEEN COURT** **October 2024**

YTD Served -2

Youth served this month – 2

Referrals – 11

The above Monthly report reflects the month of September as October's report was not received prior to today's JCPC meeting.

**October 1<sup>st</sup> Program staff participated in National Night Out.**

Face to Face contact with youth and parents. Face to Face, phone, and/or email contact with referring agents.

Getting intakes completed within JCPC time frame.

**Danelle Graham**

- **JUVENILE RESTITUTION October 2024**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served - 16

Youth served this month -9

Referrals -8

The above Monthly report reflects the month of September as October's report was not received prior to today's JCPC meeting.

October 1<sup>st</sup>: Program staff participated in National Night Out.

October 10<sup>th</sup> Staff attended the Gang Conference.

Face to Face contact with youth and parents. Face to Face, phone, and/or email contact with referring agents. Getting intakes completed within JCPC time frame.

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- **YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS – October 2024**

Denise McIntyre

- YTD Served - 0

Youth served this month – 0

Referrals –12

Finance Report is unavailable at this time. All funds reflect the previous month finance report .

I am glad to report that the referrals are rolling in. We have a full class starting 11/12/24 and we are well on our way to filling up our February 2025 class.

Our training from last month was a game changer. Now that agencies have a clear understanding of services the referrals are rolling in.

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- **Mentoring Report – October 2024**

Nikita Newkirk

YTD Served – 2

Youth served this month – 4

Referrals –2

Sessions are going well.

- **MEDIATION REPORTS October 2024**

Nikita Newkirk

YTD Served – 15

Youth served this month -8

Referrals – 7

Sessions are going well. Clients are participating and doing what is asked.

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- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. October 2024**

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

YTD served - 4

Youth served this month -16

Referrals-4

Interest has increased since the new school year began and since National Night Out.

The New Life Uplifted middle schoolers visited on 11/15/24 and the high schoolers are scheduled for 11/7/24.

Lakewood's mental health class also showed interest in returning. The presentation with The Athenia Lanier group went well and brought more interest in the ranch program. Challenges are allowing all participants their requested time for sessions. With the daylight savings time change, evening sessions will have to be streamlined to ensure completion before sundown.

The new ranch volunteer has been very helpful with ranch sessions as well as assisting in the office when needed.

➤ **Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

Open

A quick reminder that the Monitoring Committee will meet December 10, 2024 at 9:00am. The meeting will be held at the Cooperative Extension Building, 55 Agriculture Place, Clinton, NC. Members include Dana Hall, Chair, Tiffany Blackburn, Carlina Simmons, Scott Hodges, JCPC Chairman, Sgt. James Jones, Jim DeMay, Sgt. Donald Fisher.



Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

November 12, 2024 minutes for January 14, 2025 meeting.

**JCPC MEMBERS Present:** Donald Fisher, Chairman, Sgt. James Jones, Tiffany Blackburn, David K. Clack, Tamra Jones, Vice Chair, Dana Hall, Andrew Worley, Jim DeMay, Courtney Allen, Sandra Webster, Kimberly Hicks. Quorum Noted.

**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Program Providers:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

- Approval of October minutes were approved with a motion from David Clack, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Donald Fisher  
Approval of November minutes will be viewed for approval at the JCPC January 2025 meeting  
In the absence of a meeting in December 2024 there will not be minutes for approval.

➤ **Court Services**

**Tiffany Blackburn, Court Counselor**

Presented all updates to counsel. R & N sent to everyone. RFP to be reviewed and setting a date for advertisement.  
Motion to approve made by Donald, 2<sup>nd</sup>, David Clack.  
Motion to advertise RFP will be from Dec. 2, 2024 – January 13, 2025. David will send confirmation of advertisement to Elizabeth.

➤ **DPS Update(s)**

**Crystal Bennett**

JCPC Area Consultant

Crystal informed Providers that SPEG scores/PEP will be sent this week.  
6 months objectives – First week of January 2025.

**Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

**Open**

A quick reminder that the Monitoring Committee will meet December 10, 2024 at 9:00am. The meeting will be held at Cooperative Extension Building, 55 Agriculture Place, Clinton, NC. Members include Dana Hall, Chair, Tiffany Blackburn, Carlina Simmons, Scott Hodges, JCPC Chairman, Sgt. James Jones, Jim DeMay, Sgt. Donald Fisher.

- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn  
Motion made to adjourn: David K Clack, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dana Hall

**Chairman, Sgt. James Jones**

- **Next meeting February 11, 2025 12pm – Until – In Person, HEALTH DEPT. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor CONFERENCE ROOM Building E, 306 County Complex Road, Clinton, NC 28328.**

Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday February 5, 2025

**ICPC MEMBERS Present:** Donald Fisher, Chairman, Sgt. James Jones, Tiffany Blackburn, David K. Clack, Tamra Jones, Vice Chair, Dana Hall, Andrew Worley, Jim DeMay, Courtney Allen, Sandra Webster, Kimberly Hicks. Quorum Noted.  
**ICPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Program Providers:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

In the absence of a JCPC meeting in December, 2024 there were no minutes.

- Introduction of Melissa Burton was made to the JCPC. Melissa is replacing David K. Clack as Treasurer, Finance Officer.
- **Monitoring Report** presented to Chair/ Coordinator/Area Consultant. Report outcomes presented to full JCPC.
- **Janice Faye's Ranch (Equine)- Staff Changes/Budget Revision(s):** This required a vote by the JCPC for approval since there were changes in the component from the original application. Motion to accept changes was made by Dana Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Donald Fisher. Unanimous.
- **Teen Court Budget Revision:** Reallocation of funding in NC Allies to account for salary increase by the Board of Commissioners was made on 7/1/2024, for household supplies and for extensive van repairs. Motion made to accept by Donald Fisher, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jim DeMay.
- **Six Month Measurable Objects** were presented to the JCPC from Mentors/Mediation, Equine (Janice Faye's Ranch).
- **Court Services**  
Tiffany Blackburn presented all updates to the JCPC. **Tiffany Blackburn**, Court Counselor
- **DPS Update(s)**  
**Crystal Bennett**  
JCPC Area Consultant
- **Funding Committee** need to schedule a time/date to meet and let Crystal know allowing herself to be available in- person or virtually. **Crystal asked that funding recommendations be made ready by the March 2025 JCPC meeting date (March 11, 2025)**  
**Funding Committee Meeting Minutes:** Elizabeth stated that there needs to be a member of the Funding committee to document attendance and meeting outcomes. The meeting must be open to the public as observers only. Anyone attending the meeting other than the committee members are observers only with no participation in the meeting. **The minutes will be returned to Elizabeth for insertion in the JCPC meeting agenda packet and JCPC Annual Plan & Certification.**

Crystal reminded Providers to be mindful of their budget, Line-item adjustment(s), etc.

- **4-H TEEN COURT      January 2025**

**Danelle Graham**

YTD Served -19

Youth served this month – 17

Referrals – 6

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Communication for the month of January was face-to-face as well as phone. CS cancelled on January 11<sup>th</sup> due to weather conditions.

Entry of some admissions/terminations in NC Allies were delayed due to the expiration of staff family member. Some youth continue to struggle in completing sanctions despite alternative being given.



- **JUVENILE RESTITUTION January 2025**

Danelle Graham

YTD Served - 43

Youth served this month -25

Referrals -3

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Entry of some admissions/terminations were delayed in NC Allies due to the expiration of staff family member. Some youth continued to struggle in completing hours despite alternative tasks being given. Court counselors continued to assist staff during the month of January where communication with parents was concerned. The program lost contract Wanda Henry due to her expiration.

- **YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS – January 2025**

- Denise McIntyre

- YTD Served - 9

Youth served this month - 9

Referrals -12

Finance Report is unavailable at this time. All funds reflect the previous month Finance Report

New Class will begin February 7, 2025

A notable success is the high demand for our program, evidenced by the large number of referrals we are receiving. However, this has also presented challenges as our current class capacity is limited. As a result we have had to place some clients on a wait list until space becomes available. While this reflects the program's strong reputation and effectiveness it also highlights the need to explore options for expanding our capacity to accommodate the growing interest.

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**Mentoring Report – January 2025**

Nikita Newkirk

YTD Served - 6

Youth served this month - 4

Referrals -0

Expenses are from November 2024. MCEC receives expense reports every quarter, not month to month. Sessions are going well.

- **MEDIATION REPORTS January 2025**

Nikita Newkirk

YTD Served - 22

Youth served this month -4

Referrals - 2

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- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. January 2025**

Keli Adams/Joy Canady

YTD served - 1

Youth served this month -33

Referrals-1

Face-to-Face sessions are going well

There are continued interest in kids that want to begin the program. The New Life Uplifted school kids needed to Wait until February to return for their sessions since school was out for a few days in January.

The agency's new office/equine assistant is working well at getting the office more organized.

**Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

Open

- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn  
Motion made to adjourn:

Chairman, Sgt. James Jones

- Next meeting March 11, 2025 12pm – Until – In Person, HEALTH DEPT. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor CONFERENCE ROOM Building E, 306 County Complex Road, Clinton, NC 28328.

Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, March 5, 2025

**CPC MEMBERS Present:** Sgt. James Jones, Melissa Burton, Tamra Jones, Donald Fisher, Jennifer Daughtry, Jim DeMay, Courtney Ilen, William T. Vann, Teyeka Powell, Sandra Webster, Kimberly Hicks  
Quorum noted.  
**CPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Funding & Review Committee/Program Providers:**

- **The Funding & Review Committee** met on February 10, 2025, and requested that the JCPC applicants conduct Program Presentations for FY 25-26 funding at the February 11, 2025, JCPC meeting instead of presenting regular Program Reports. Program Providers were asked to provide information that covers the service(s) their program will be providing and how the amount that has been requested will support them in delivering their program missions.

Presentations were presented by:

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| ▪ <b>Teen Court/Restitution</b>                         | <b>Danelle Graham</b>                                    |
| ▪ <b>Youth Inspire</b>                                  | <b>Denise McIntyre</b>                                   |
| ▪ <b>Mediation/Mentoring</b>                            | <b>Nikita Newkirk/Candice Mathis, Executive Director</b> |
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- **Court Services** **Tiffany Blackburn, Court Counselor**

- **DPS Update(s)** **Crystal Bennett**  
JCPC Area Consultant

- **4-H TEEN COURT February 2025** **Danelle Graham**  
YTD Served -19  
Youth served this month – 12  
Referrals –0  
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Staff continued to interact with youth, parents, SRO's, and court counselors face-to-face, letters, or phone.
  - **JUVENILE RESTITUTION February 2025** **Danelle Graham**  
YTD Served - 46  
Youth served this month –17  
Referrals –4  
The above Financial Status Report represents expenses for the month of January. The County Munis Report for the month of February was not received prior to today's meeting.  
Staff interaction with youth, parents, SRO's, and court counselors continued to be via phone, letters or face-to-face.  
\*Parents and/or youth's failure to communicate with staff when youth are going to be absent.  
\*Parents and youth's failure to keep up with their schedule.  
\*Parents being the youth's friend thus causing and inability to hold youth accountable  
\*Being able to reach youth and/or parent. (Court Counselors as well as SRO's have been helpful)  
Miss Gainey, when available, continues to come to the office to assist.
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- YTD Served -20  
Youth served this month – 20  
Referrals –0

**Mentoring Report – February 2025**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD Served – 6  
Youth served this month –6  
Referrals –1  
Sessions are going well.

- **MEDIATION REPORTS February 2025**

**Nikita Newkirk**

YTD Served – 26  
Youth served this month -6  
Referrals –5  
Expenses are from December 2024. MCEC receives expense reports every quarter, not month to month due to the Out-sourcing of the organization's accountant.  
Sessions are going well.  
Numbers are increasing monthly.

- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. February 2025**

**Keli Adams/Joy Canady**

YTD served - 2  
Youth served this month -35  
Referrals-2  
There has been continued interest in new referrals.  
Challenges have been having to reschedule sessions due to the weather last month.  
The new staff members are already proving to be a great asset to the ranch program and its availability for serving more kids.

**Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments**

**Open**

- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn  
Motion made to adjourn:

Chair, Sgt. James Jones

- **Next meeting April 8, 2025 12pm – Until – In Person, HEALTH DEPT. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor CONFERENCE ROOM Building E, 306 County Complex Road, Clinton, NC 28328.**

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## Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

March 11, 2025 minutes for April 8, 2025, meeting.

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- **Court Services**  
Tiffany discussed and presented her updates to the JCPC counsel.

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- Crystal addressed the **Resolution Supporting NC Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Legislative requests** for increased recurring Funding for Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils, Community Programs, Juvenile Crisis and Assessment Centers, Short-Term Residential Contract Sites, Transitional Living Programs, Medical/Mental Health Crisis Unit Capacity increase, and NC Secure all Firearms Effectively Campaign. Crystal requested that this Resolution be presented to Board of Commissioners for Sampson County.

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Please see Attachment.

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Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council  
**Special JCPC Funding Decisions Meeting March 18, 2025**

Minutes  
March 18, 2025

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# Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

April 8, 2025, minutes for May 13, 2025, JCPC meeting.

**JCPC MEMBERS Present:** Chair Sgt. James Jones, Dana Hall, Melissa Burton, Jennifer Daughtry, Sgt. Donald Fisher, Tamra Jones, Courtney Allen, William T. Vann III, Lt. Scott Hodges, Kimberly Hicks, Tiffany Blackburn. Quorum present and acting.

**JCPC Area Consultant:** Crystal Bennett

**Providers Present:** Danelle Graham, Denise McIntyre, Nikita Newkirk, Keli Adams/Joy Canady

- Welcome. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Sgt. James Jones on Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

## Business:

- Approval of November 2024, January, February, and March 2025 minutes was made with a motion to approve by Jim DeMay, 2<sup>nd</sup> Donald Fisher.

### ➤ Court Services

Tiffany discussed and presented her updates to the JCPC counsel.

**Tiffany Blackburn**, Court Counselor

### ➤ DPS Update(s)

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**Crystal Bennett**

JCPC Area Consultant

### ➤ Program Updates

- **4-H TEEN COURT April 2025**

YTD Served -31

Youth served this month – 14

Referrals –

The Financial Status Report reflects the expenses for the month of March. April's Munis Report was not received prior to today's meeting in order to complete the Monthly Financial Status Report for April.

Face-to-face communication, phone calls and letters continued to be the method used during the month of April for communication.

Staff participated in a youth program at a local church where staff reviewed the student handbook with youth as well as shared information as to how to stay out of trouble at school. Their principal Tony Faison from Sampson Middle School was present and acknowledged information reviewed by staff relating to the student Handbook. In addition, Mr. Faison announced changes that will be taking place next school term. The youth that were present stated that they were not aware of all the school's consequences for the offenses covered.

**Danelle Graham**

- **JUVENILE RESTITUTION April 2025**

YTD Served - 56

Youth served this month –11

Referrals –9

The above Financial Status Report reflects expenses for the month of March. April's Munis report was not received prior to today's meeting in order to complete the Monthly Financial Status Report for April.

Face to face communication, phone calls and letters continued to be the method used during the month of April.

**Danelle Graham**



**YOUTH INSPIRE REPORTS – April 2025****Denise McIntyre**

- **YTD Served -27**

Youth served this month – 8

Referrals –6

Currently started a new class

Our primary challenge is effectively communicating to youth the serious health risks associated with vaping. Beyond the design of the devices the real danger lies in how quickly users can become addicted. Vaping has become so widespread among young people that many now defend its use believing they understand the risks better than they actually do.

- **Mentoring Report – April 2025**

YTD Served – 8

Youth served this month – 5

Referrals –1

As of March 31st, financials

Mentoring is going well. Celebrating birthdays and school achievements.

**Nikita Newkirk**

- **MEDIATION REPORTS April 2025**

YTD Served – 50

Youth served this month -9

Referrals –

As of March 31st, financials

Sessions are going very well. Referrals are steadily coming in. Thank you to the SRO's, Schools, DJJ and Teen Court.

**Nikita Newkirk**

- **Equine Assisted Social Skill Bldg. April 2025**

YTD served - 0

Youth served this month -19

Referrals-0

The New Life Uplifted school kids and the regular programming kids have been faithfully attending sessions. The New Life Uplifted school kids journaled on their last day for this school year and most stated that they felt calm while here and wanted to return when school starts in the fall. Some kids stated it is hot so the covered Arena project would assist with the weather challenge in winter and summer.

The JFR Social Skill building program is appreciative of the discretionary funds for completing the 24-25 year. The proposed Lakewood High school class visit for 40 kids is being postponed until Fall due to the necessary Paperwork is not being completed by the deadline for confirming extra volunteers needed for the visit.

**Keli Adams/Joy Canady****Other Business/Announcements/Public Comments****Open**

- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn  
Motion made to adjourn:

**Chair, Sgt. James Jones**

➤ Next meeting August 12, 2025, 12pm – Until – In Person, HEALTH DEPT. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor CONFERENCE ROOM Building E, 306 County Complex Road, Clinton, NC 28328.

Program Reports due to Elizabeth Phillips ([ephillips@intrstar.net](mailto:ephillips@intrstar.net)) by 5:00pm Wednesday, August 6, 2025





# Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposals

Published on November 15, 2024

[FINAL-25.26-JCPC-RFP-for-Advertisement-12.2.2024-through-1.13.2025.pdf](#) (PDF, 77KB)  
(</files/sharedassets/public/v/1/documents/financelegal/rfps-amp-bids/final-25.26-jcpc-rfp-for-advertisement-12.2.2024-through-1.13.2025.pdf>)

Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposals																							
\$214,815 Anticipated Annual Allocation	10% Required Local Match Rate	December 2, 2024 Date Advertised																					
<p>The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) has studied the risk factors and needs of Juvenile Court involved youth in this county and hereby publishes this Request for Proposals. The JCPC anticipates funds from the NC Dept. of Public Safety Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the amount stated above to fund the program types specified below. Such programs will serve delinquent and at-risk youth for the state fiscal year 2025-2026 beginning on, or after, July 1, 2025. The use of these funds in this county require a local match meeting all requirements. The county can approve programs for 1 or 2 year funding awards, dependent on county approval and programs meeting all requirements.</p> <p><b>Based on identified needed programs and possible gaps in the service continuum, the following checked program types will be considered for funding:</b></p> <table border="1"><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mentoring Services</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restitution/Community Service</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Services Addressing Problem Sexual Behavior</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parent/Family Skill Building</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teen Court – including Sentencing and Restorative Circles</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Group Home</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interpersonal Skill Building</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Psychological Assessments</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary Shelter Care</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational Skills</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Family Counseling</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Runaway Shelter Care</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Experiential Skills</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Home Based Family Counseling</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Foster Care</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tutoring/Academic Enrichment</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Group/Mixed Counseling</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Foster Care</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mediation/Conflict Resolution – including Truancy Mediation, Victim-Youth and Family Group Conferencing, Restorative Circles</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Counseling</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Structured Day</td></tr></table> <p><b>Proposed program services should target the following risk factors for delinquency or repeat delinquency:</b> Youth with prior referrals and adjudications, school behavior problems, substance abuse concerns, negative peer relationships and gang associations/involvement.</p> <p><b>Proposed services should address the following concerns as reported in the Youth Assessment Screening Instrument (YASI):</b> Delinquent peer associations and gang associations/involvement, substance abuse, school behavior/academic problems, career readiness/interpersonal skill building programs for 16-18 year olds, elevated Violence/Aggression/Weapon/Firearm Use.</p> <p><b>Applicants are being sought that are able to address items below:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 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**Deadline for submission in NCALLIES:**  
Monday, January 13, 2025 5:00pm

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# Sampson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposals

**\$214,815**  
Anticipated Annual Allocation

**10%**  
Required Local Match Rate

**December 2, 2024**  
Date Advertised

The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) has studied the risk factors and needs of Juvenile Court involved youth in this county and hereby publishes this Request for Proposals. The JCPC anticipates funds from the NC Dept. of Public Safety Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the amount stated above to fund the program types specified below. Such programs will serve delinquent and at-risk youth for the state fiscal year 2025-2026 beginning on, or after, July 1, 2025. The use of these funds in this county require a local match in the amount specified above. The county can approve programs for 1 or 2 year funding awards, dependent on county approval and programs meeting all requirements.

**Based on identified needed programs and possible gaps in the service continuum, the following checked program types will be considered for funding:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mentoring Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restitution/Community Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Services Addressing Problem Sexual Behavior
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**Proposed program services should target the following risk factors for delinquency or repeat delinquency:**

Youth with prior referrals and adjudications, school behavior problems, substance abuse concerns, negative peer relationships and gang association/involvement.

**Proposed services should address the following concerns as reported in the Youth Assessment Screening Instrument (YASI):** A Delinquent peer associations and gang association/involvement; substance abuse; school behavior/academic problems; career readiness/interpersonal skill building programs for 16-18 year olds; elevated Violence/Aggression/Weapon/Firearm Use.

**Applicants are being sought that are able to address items below:**

1. Program services compatible with research that are shown to be effective with juvenile offenders.
2. Program services are outcome-based.
3. The program has an evaluation component.
4. Program services detect gang participation and divert individuals from gang participation.
5. Awareness of and sensitivity to Racial Ethnic Disparity that exists in the County.
6. Programs are encouraged to provide effective programming that includes restorative justice practices and substance abuse prevention /intervention. Providers are encourage to identify ways they can innovate existing programming to grow with needs of youth.

**Only local public agencies, 501c3 non-profit corporations and local housing authorities will be considered for funding.**

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**JCPC New Applicant Training Required: Contact Area Consultant for Training [crystal.bennett@ncdps.gov](mailto:crystal.bennett@ncdps.gov)**

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**SAMPSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 5(a)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Comment
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**SUBJECT:** Board of Health Operating Procedures Policy

**DEPARTMENT:** Health Department

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Wanda Robinson, Health Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Policy

**BACKGROUND:**

The Board of Health Operating Procedures Policy was updated as a result of the annual review. Staff added information about new member training and ongoing training for board members. Both new member training and ongoing training are required for accreditation. The Health Advisory Committee has reviewed the changes and has no further recommendations and submits the policy for approval by the Board of Health.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve the Board of Health Operating Procedures Policy as recommended by the Health Advisory Committee*

## SAMPSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH OPERATING PROCEDURES

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### **I. Name and Principal Office,**

The name of the organization is the Sampson County Board of Health (the "Board"). The principal office of the Board is located at 406 County Complex Road, Building C, Clinton, North Carolina 28328.

### **II. Officers and Committees.**

#### **A. Chair and Vice-Chair.**

In even-numbered years, the Board shall hold an organizational meeting at the County Courthouse at 9 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday in December. The agenda for this organizational meeting shall consist of the induction of newly-elected Board members and the organization of the Board for the ensuing year. The organizational meeting shall be convened and concluded before the regular December meeting is convened. Newly-elected Board members shall take and subscribe the oath of office as the first order of business. The Board shall then elect by majority vote a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members. In odd-numbered years, the Board shall at its regular meeting in December, elect by majority vote a Chair and Vice from among its members. The Chair of the Board shall be elected annually for a term of one (1) year and shall not be removed from office of Chair unless he or she becomes disqualified to serve as a member of the Board.

#### **B. Secretary.**

The local health director shall serve as Secretary to the Board but is not a member of the Board. The local health director may delegate the duties of the Secretary that are set forth in these operating procedures to an appropriate local health department employee or other designee.

#### **C. Temporary Committees.**

The Board may establish and appoint members for temporary committees as needed to carry out the Board's work. All temporary committees are subject to North Carolina open meetings laws and shall comply with the provisions thereof.

#### **D. Membership and Training.**

Members of the Board shall serve four (4) year terms and shall serve only so long they are also members of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners.

#### **Orientation.**

The local health director shall assure that new Board members receive orientation

within one (1) year of their appointment or election to the Board. This orientation shall consist of training regarding new members' service on the Board, including their role on the Board, the authorities and responsibilities of local boards of health, and public health functions. Re-elected Board members shall not be required to complete repeat orientation unless the content of the orientation has changed since their orientation.

### **On-Going Training.**

The local health director shall assure that Board members receive on-going training regarding authorities and responsibilities as they relate to relevant and/or emerging public health topics. The local health director, in consultation with the Board, shall establish a schedule of on-going training sessions.

## **III. Meetings.**

### **A. Regular Meetings.**

The Board shall hold a regular meeting on the first Monday of each month, unless the Board adopts a schedule which falls for changes in this date. If a regular meeting is a holiday on which Sampson County offices are closed, the meeting shall be held on the next Monday or such other day as may be specified in the motion adjourning the immediately preceding regular meeting. Regular meetings shall be held at 6:00 p.m. in the County Auditorium located at 437 Rowan Road, Clinton, North Carolina 28328. The Board may change the place or time of a particular regular meeting or all regular meetings within a specified time period by resolution adopted, posted and noticed no less than seven (7) days before the change takes effect. Such resolution shall be filed with the Secretary to the Board and posted at or near the regular meeting place, and copies shall be sent to those who have requested notice of special meetings of the Board.

### **B. Special Meetings.**

The Chair or a majority of the members of the Board may at any time call a special meeting of the Board by signing a notice stating the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be considered. The person(s) who call the meeting shall cause the notice to be posted on the door of the regular meeting place and delivered to the Chair and all other Board members or left at the usual dwelling place of each member at least 48 hours before the meeting. In addition, notice shall be provided to individual persons and news media organizations who have requested such notice. Only those items of business specified in the notice may be transacted at a special meeting, unless all members are present or those who are not present have signed a written waiver.

### **C. Emergency Meetings.**

If a special meeting is called to deal with an unexpected circumstance that requires immediate consideration by the Board, the notice requirements for regular and special meetings do not apply. However, the person or persons who call an emergency



meeting shall take reasonable action to inform the other members and the public of the meeting. Local news organizations who have requested notice of special meetings shall be notified of such emergency meeting by the same method used to notify Board members. Only business connected with the emergency may be discussed at the meeting.

**D.**     **Agenda.**

For every regular and special meeting of the Board, the Clerk or other authorized person shall post a notice of the meeting, specifying the time and place at which the meeting will be held, and an agenda containing a brief description of all items of business to be discussed at the meeting. The notice and agenda can be combined into one document. All items of business to be discussed at a meeting of the Board shall be briefly described on the agenda. The description should set forth as clearly as practical a description of the item to be discussed so that members of the public will know the nature of the action under review and discussion.

**E.**     **Presiding Officer.**

The Chair (or presiding officer) shall preside at all meetings of the Board. A member must be recognized by the Chair (or presiding officer) in order to address the Board. The Chair (or presiding officer) shall have the following powers:

1.     To rule on points of parliamentary procedure, including the right to rule out of order motion patently offered for obstructive or dilatory purposes;
2.     To determine whether a speaker has gone beyond reasonable standards of courtesy in his or her remarks and to entertain a rule on objections from other members on this ground;
3.     To call a brief recess at any time;
4.     To adjourn in an emergency.

If the Chair (or presiding officer) wishes to become actively engaged in debate on a particular proposal, he or she shall designate another board member or a staff member to preside. The Chair (or presiding officer) shall resume the duty to preside as soon as action on the matter is concluded. If the Chair is absent, the Vice-Chair shall preside. If the Chair and the Vice-Chair are absent, another Board member designated by a majority vote of those members present at the meeting shall preside.

**F.**     **Quorum.**

A majority of the actual Board membership shall constitute a quorum. The number required for a quorum is not affected by vacancies. If a member has withdrawn from a meeting without being excused by a majority vote of the remaining members present, he or she shall be counted as present for purposes of determining if a quorum is present. The Board may compel the attendance of an absent member by ordering the sheriff to take the member into custody.

**G. Voting.**

The Board shall proceed by motion in the manner prescribed by the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners*. A member must abstain from voting in cases involving conflicts of interest as defined by North Carolina and federal law.

**H. Minutes.**

Minutes shall be prepared of each Board meeting. Copies of the minutes shall be made available to each Board member before the next regular Board meeting. At each regular Board meeting, the Board shall review the minutes of the previous regular meeting as well as any special or emergency meetings that have occurred since the previous regular meeting, make any necessary revisions, and approve the minutes as originally drafted or as revised. The public may obtain copies of Board meeting minutes.

**IV. Rule-Making Procedures and Other Procedural Matters.**

The Board shall adopt rules in the manner prescribed by the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners*. The Board shall consider any rules recommended by the Sampson County Health Department Advisory Board; however, the Board may promulgate and adopt rules without the recommendation of the Sampson County Health Department Advisory Board, which is a purely advisory body, and retains ultimate authority for adopting all rules in accordance with North Carolina law.

All other matters, with the exception of appeals governed by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 130A-24, which shall be conducted in accordance with Section IVA of these Operating Procedures, shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners*.

**IVA. Appeals Procedure.**

Appeals concerning the enforcement of rules adopted by the Board and concerning the imposition of administrative penalties by the local health director shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 130A-24 and this Section.

**A. Notice of Appeal.**

An aggrieved person may request an appeal hearing to contest the enforcement of rules adopted by the Board and the imposition of administrative penalties by the local health director by submitting a notice of appeal in writing to the local health director within 30 days of the challenged action. The notice of appeal must contain the name and address of the aggrieved person, a description of the action challenged, and a statement of the reasons why the challenged action is ~~incorrect~~ in order to be effective.

**B. Transmission of Appeal Materials.**

Within five (5) working days of his or her receipt of a valid notice of appeal, the local health director shall transmit to the Board the notice of appeal and the papers and materials upon which the challenged action was taken.

**C. Notice of Hearing.**

The Board shall schedule and hold a hearing within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of the notice of appeal and shall give the appealing person not less than ten (10) days' notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing.

**D. Continuances.**

An appealing person may, for good cause shown, request a continuance of the hearing. The Board shall determine if a continuance should be granted and shall inform the appealing person of its decision at least one (1) day prior to the scheduled hearing.

**E. Waiver of Hearing.**

An appealing person waives his or her right to a hearing if he or she fails to file an effective notice of appeal with the local health director within thirty (30) days of the action being challenged or fails to attend a scheduled hearing after sufficient notice.

**F. Discovery.**

Pre-hearing discovery shall not be available to any party.

**G. Disqualification of Board Member.**

If any Board member cannot attend the appeal hearing or cannot conduct a fair and impartial hearing in a particular case, he or she shall not participate in the hearing, deliberation, or decision of the matter.

**H. Oath.**

No person may testify or present any evidence to be admitted into the record without first being put under oath or affirmation. The Chair or other presiding officer shall have the power to administer oaths or affirmations.

**I. Conduct of Hearing.**

The Board shall have complete control over the conduct of the hearing, including, but not limited to, the order of the calling of witnesses and the presentation of evidence and the exclusion of irrelevant, repetitious, or redundant testimony or evidence.

**J. Evidence at Hearing.**

The rules of evidence, as applied in the General Courts of Justice, shall not apply at the hearing. Any competent evidence relevant to the decision or ruling in the case shall be admissible in the record. The Board may restrict or exclude unduly repetitious or redundant testimony or exhibits.



**K. Counsel.**

An appealing person may have an attorney present to assist in the presentation of his or her case before the Board. The County Attorney shall assist the Board with the procedural and evidentiary aspects of the appeal hearing.

**L. Deliberation by the Board.**

After all competent testimony and all evidence has been presented to the Board, the Board shall deliberate in open session and shall have the authority to affirm, modify, or reverse the challenged action based upon majority vote of the members participating in the hearing, provided a quorum is present.

**M. Decision.**

The Board shall issue a written decision based on the evidence presented at the hearing. The written decision shall contain a concise statement of the reasons for the Board's decision. A copy of the written decision shall be sent to the appealing person by certified mail, return receipt requested, and filed concurrently with the Sampson County Manager and the Sampson County Attorney.

**N. Appeal to District Court Division.**

A person who wishes to contest a decision of the Board under this Section shall have the right to appeal to the District Court having jurisdiction over the matter within thirty (30) days after the date of the decision by the Board. The scope of review in District Court shall be the same as in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 1S0B-51.

**V. Amendments to Operating Procedures.**

These Operating Procedures may be amended at any regular meeting or at any properly called special meeting that includes amendment of the Operating Procedures as one of the stated purposes of the meeting. A quorum must be present at the meeting at which amendments to the Operating Procedures are discussed and approved, and any amendments to the Operating Procedures must be approved by a majority of the members present at the meeting.

**VI. Code of Ethics and Conflicts of Interest.**

The Board's members shall comply with the ethical and conflict of interest provisions set forth in the *Sampson County Board of Commissioners Code of Ethics Adopted Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-86*.

**VII. Compliance with North Carolina Law.**

In conducting its business, the Board shall comply with all applicable North Carolina law, including, but not limited to, open meetings laws, public records laws, and the laws setting forth the powers and duties of local boards of health. To assist the Board in compliance, the Secretary shall maintain a current copy of relevant North Carolina General Statutes and make them available to Board members upon request.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED**, by the Sampson County Board of Health the 1st day of October, 2018 and **AMENDED** this the ~~3rd~~2nd day of ~~August~~June, 20205.

~~CLARK H. WOOTEN~~Allen McLamb, Chair,  
Sampson County Board of Health

~~WANDA ROBINSON~~, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners will act as Secretary; to the  
Sampson County Board of Health

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 5(b)

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**SUBJECT:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee Conflict of Interest Policy

**DEPARTMENT:** Health Department

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Wanda Robinson, Health Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Policy

**BACKGROUND:**

The annual review of this policy was conducted, and no changes were made. The Health Advisory Committee has reviewed the policy and has no recommendations.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve the Health Advisory Committee Conflict of Interest Policy as presented*

## **SAMPSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY**

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### **I. Policy Review:**

This Conflict of Interest policy will be reviewed on an annual basis by the Sampson County Health Department Advisory Committee (the “Committee”) and statement signed to assure there is no conflict of interest.

### **II. Conflict of Interest Defined:**

- A.** A conflict of interest is defined as an actual or perceived interest by a Committee member in an action that results in, or has the appearance of resulting in, personal, organization, or professional gain. A conflict of interest occurs when a committee member has a direct or fiduciary interest in another relationship. A conflict of interest could include:
1. Ownership with a member of the Committee or an employee where one or the other has supervisory authority over the other or with a client who receives services.
  2. Employment of or by a Committee member or an employee where one or the other has supervisory authority over the other or with a client who receives services.
  3. Contractual relationship with a Committee member or an employee where one or the other has supervisory authority over the other or with a client who receives services.
  4. Creditor or debtor to a Committee member or an employee where one or the other has supervisory authority over the other or with a client who receives services.
  5. Consultative or consumer relationship with a Committee member or an employee where one or the other has supervisory authority over the other or with a client who receives services.
- B.** The definition of conflict of interest includes any bias or the appearance of bias in a decision making process that would reflect a dual role played by a member of the organization or group. An example, for instance, might involve a person who is an employee and Committee member, or a person who is an employee and who hires family members as consultants.



### **III. Health Department Advisory Committee Responsibilities:**

- A. It is in the interest of the organization, individual staff, and Committee members to strengthen trust and confidence in each other, to expedite resolution of problems, to mitigate the effect and to minimize organizational and individual stress that can be caused by a conflict of interest. Committee members are to avoid any conflict of interest, even the appearance of a conflict of interest.
- B. This organization serves the community as a whole rather than only serving a special interest group. The appearance of a conflict of interest can cause embarrassment to the organization and jeopardize the credibility of the organization. Any conflict of interest, potential conflict of interest, or the appearance of a conflict of interest is to be reported to the Advisory Committee chair immediately. Advisory Committee members are to maintain independence and objectivity with clients, the community, and organization. Health Department Advisory Committee Members are called to maintain a sense of fairness, civility, ethics and personal integrity even through law, regulation, or custom does not require them.

### **IV. Acceptance of Gifts:**

- A. Members of the Committee are prohibited from accepting gifts, money, or gratuities from the following:
  - 1. Persons receiving benefits or services from the organization;
  - 2. Any person or organization performing or seeking to perform services under contract with the organization; and
  - 3. Persons who are otherwise in a position to benefit from the actions of any Committee members.

<b>Sampson County Health Department Advisory Committee Conflict of Interest Program Policy Review &amp; Revision Form</b>				
<b>Annual Review Date</b>	<b>Revision Date</b>	<b>Revision: Name, Location, Page # of Section w/ Revision(s)</b>	<b>Changes Made By</b>	<b>Date Staff Notified</b>
11/2020		Page 1 Dates and Names; Page 4 dates	SDeMay	11-16-20
11/2021		Page 1 Dates and Names; Page 4 Dates and Updated Advisory Chair Page 5 Review Date	Cherish Allen/Wanda Robinson	
11/2022		Updated Date; No additional changes.	C.Allen	
11/2023		Dates updated. Signature page updated. Adopted piece removed, as it was originally adopted in 2018, last amendment was in 2020. Member signature page removed, members will review policy in scheduled meetings and documentation will be included in minutes.	C. Allen	
4/2024		Annual review only.	C.Allen/W.Robinson	
5/2025	5/2025	Annual Review. Updated policy box to follow updated Policy on Policies. Moved review/revision table to end of policy, as directed by Policy on Policies.	C.Allen	

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ITEM ABSTRACT

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**SUBJECT:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee Operating Procedures Policy

**DEPARTMENT:** Health Department

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Wanda Robinson, Health Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** Policy

**BACKGROUND:**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve the Health Advisory Committee Operating Procedures Policy as presented*

## **SAMPSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE OPERATING PROCEDURES**

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### **I. Name and Principal Office.**

The name of the organization is the Sampson County Health Department Advisory Committee (the "Committee"). The principal office of the Committee is located at 360 County Complex Road, Suite 200, Clinton, North Carolina 28328.

### **II. Officers and Committees.**

#### **A. Chair and Vice-Chair.**

The Committee members shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair by majority vote each year at the Committee's January regular meeting.

#### **B. Secretary.**

The local health director shall serve as Secretary to the Committee but is not a member of the Committee. The local health director may delegate the duties of the Secretary that are set forth in these operating procedures to an appropriate local health department employee or other designee.

#### **C. Standing Sub-Committees.**

The Committee shall have such standing sub-committees as it shall from time to time constitute. There is currently one (1) standing sub-committee: the Executive Sub-Committee, which is comprised of the Chair, the Vice-Chair, and two (2) other Committee members selected by majority vote of the Committee. All standing sub- committees are subject to North Carolina open meetings laws and shall comply with the provisions thereof.

#### **D. Temporary Sub-Committees.**

The Committee may establish and appoint members for temporary sub-committees as needed to carry out the Committee's work. All temporary sub-committees are subject to North Carolina open meetings laws and shall comply with the provisions thereof.



**E. Membership.**

Members of the Committee shall serve three (3) year terms. No member may serve more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year terms. The ex-officio, non-voting county commissioner serving on the Committee shall serve only so long as he or she is also a member of the Sampson County Board of Commissioners

**F. Regular Meetings.**

The Committee shall hold a regular meeting at least quarterly on the third Monday of the month. The meeting shall be held at a predetermined designated location at 6:30 p.m.

**G. Special Meetings.**

The Chair or a majority of the members of the Committee may at any time call a special meeting of the Committee by signing a notice stating the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be considered. The person(s) who call the meeting shall cause the notice to be posted on the door of the regular meeting place and delivered to the Chair and all other Committee members or left at the usual dwelling place of each member at least 48 hours before the meeting. In addition, notice should be provided to individual persons and news media organizations who have requested such notice. Only those items of business specified in the notice may be transacted at a special meeting, unless all members are present or those who are not present have signed a written waiver.

**H. Emergency Meetings.**

If a special meeting is called to deal with an unexpected circumstance that requires immediate consideration by the Committee, the notice requirements for regular and special meetings do not apply. However, the person or persons who call an emergency meeting shall take reasonable action to inform the other members and the public of the meeting. Local news organizations who have requested notice of special meetings shall be notified of such an emergency meeting by the same method used to notify Committee members. Only business connected with the emergency may be discussed at the meeting.

**I. Agenda.**

The Secretary to the Committee shall prepare an agenda for each meeting. Any Committee member who wishes to place an item of business on the agenda shall submit a request to the Secretary at least two (2) working days before the meeting. For regular meetings, the Board may add items to the agenda or subtract items from the agenda by a majority vote. The agenda for a special or emergency meeting may be altered only if permitted by and in accordance with the North

Carolina open meetings laws.

Any person may request that an item be placed on the Board's agenda by submitting a written request to the Secretary at least ten working days before the meeting.

**J. Presiding Officer.**

The Chair of the Committee shall preside at Committee meetings if he or she is present. If the Chair is absent, the Vice-Chair shall preside. If the Chair and Vice-Chair are both absent, another member designated by a majority vote of members present at the meeting shall preside.

**K. Quorum.**

A majority of the actual membership of the Committee, excluding vacant seats, shall constitute a quorum. A member who has withdrawn from a meeting without being excused by a majority vote of the remaining members shall be counted as present for purposes of determining whether or not a quorum is present.

**L. Voting.**

A member must abstain from voting in cases involving conflicts of interest as defined by North Carolina law. If a member has withdrawn from a meeting without being excused by a majority vote of the remaining members, the member's vote shall be recorded as an abstention. A quorum must be present to vote. Electronic voting is allowed in between board meetings, if deemed necessary by the Chair and the Secretary.

**M. Minutes.**

The Secretary shall prepare minutes of each Committee meeting. Copies of the minutes shall be made available to each Committee member before the next regular Committee meeting. At each regular meeting, the Committee shall review the minutes of the previous regular meeting as well as any special or emergency meetings that have occurred since the previous regular meeting, make any necessary revisions, and approve the minutes as originally drafted or as revised. The public may obtain copies of Committee meeting minutes at Sampson County Health Department.

**III. Rule-Making Procedures and Other Procedural Matters.**

The Committee is advisory in nature and shall have no rule-making authority. Although the Committee may recommend proposed rules to the Board of Health as part of its advisory function, the Board of Health shall be the sole body with the authority to adopt rules. The Committee shall refer to the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised ("RONR")* to answer procedural questions not

addressed in these Operating Procedures so long as the procedures prescribed in *RONR* do not conflict with North Carolina law.

#### **IV. Amendments to Operating Procedures.**

These Operating Procedures may be amended at any regular meeting or at any properly called special meeting that includes amendment of the Operating Procedures as one of the stated purposes of the meeting. A quorum must be present at the meeting at which amendments to the Operating Procedures are discussed and approved, and any amendments to the Operating Procedures must be approved by a majority of the members present at the meeting.

#### **V. Compliance with North Carolina Law.**

In conducting its business, the Committee shall comply with all applicable North Carolina law, including, but not limited to, open meetings laws and public records laws. To assist the Committee in compliance, the Secretary shall maintain a current copy of relevant North Carolina General Statutes and make them available to Committee members upon request.

**Sampson County Health Department  
Advisory Committee Operating Procedures Program Policy  
Review & Revision Form**

Annual Review Date	Revision Date	Revision: Name, Location, Page # of Section w/ Revision(s)	Changes Made By	Date Staff Notified
11/2020		Page 1 Dates and Names Page 2 Review & Revision Form added Page 6 Dates updated	S. DeMay	11-16-20
11/2021		Page 1 Dates and Names Page 6 Dates Updated	Cherish Allen/Wanda Robinson	
11/2022		Dates updated. No additional changes.	C. Allen	
11/2023		Dates updated. Signature page updated. Adopted piece removed, as it was originally adopted in 2018, last amendment was in 2020. Member signature page removed, members will review policy in scheduled meeting and documentation will be included in minutes.	C.Allen	
5/2024		Annual review only.	C.Allen/W.Robinson	
5/2025	5/2025	Annual Review. Updated policy box to follow updated Policy on Policies. Moved review/revision table to end of policy, as directed by Policy on Policies. Updated errors.	C.Allen	



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**SAMPSON COUNTY  
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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 5(d)

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Comment
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Report/Presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Closed Session
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Item	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning/Zoning
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water District Issue

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**SUBJECT:** SCHD Lab CPT Code/Fee Update

**DEPARTMENT:** Health Department

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Wanda Robinson, Health Director

**ATTACHMENTS:** CPT/Fee Code Sheet

**BACKGROUND:**

Lab CPT codes are added to the Health Fee Schedule when ordered by our providers or on a lab request from an outside provider. LabCorp bills insurance for these services or patients without insurance pay us prior to receiving the lab. These must be added to our fee schedule so the services batch over with our monthly state batch report for services provided. The Health Advisory Committee has reviewed the CPT/Fee updates and recommends them for approval.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION OR MOTION:**

*Motion to approve the CPT Code Updates as recommended by the Health Advisory Committee*

## Sampson County Health Department Fees/CPT Update

**May 2025**

<b>Date Added</b>	<b>Name of Procedure</b>	<b>LabCorp Order Number</b>	<b>CPT Code</b>	<b>Current Price</b>	<b>Recommended Price</b>
03/24/2025	IgG, IgA, IgM Immunologic IgE	002295	OL045	N/A	\$146.34
	Bordetella Pertussis Antibodies	163030	OL046	N/A	\$348.30
	Cortisol	104018	OL044	N/A	\$105.00
	Head Lice Check	N/A	87168	N/A	\$6.15
04/03/2025	ToxAssure Flex 15 Scr Only, Ur*	912630	80307	\$40.00*	\$93.75
04/16/2025	A-Feto Protein Maternal Open Spina Bifida	010801	82105	N/A	\$19.83
04/28/2025	Bordetella Pertussis PCR (State Lab)	N/A	87798	N/A	No Charge

*\*LabCorp discontinued the drug test we previously used, which was order number 799007 and CPT code 80307 at the price of \$40.00.*

<b>Environmental Health Fees</b>	<b>Current Price</b>	<b>Requested Price - Effective 7/1/2025</b>
Existing Septic System Inspection	\$100.00	\$150.00
Septic System Expansion	\$150.00	\$200.00
Soil/Site Evaluation (Repair Septic System)	\$75.00	\$100.00
New Septic system - IP & CA- Standard (0-600 gpd)	\$300.00	\$400.00
New Septic System - IP & CA - Medium (601-1250 gpd)	\$350.00	\$500.00
New Septic System - IP & CA - Large (1251-3000 gpd)	\$450.00	\$550.00
Improvement Permit Only	\$150.00	\$200.00
Construction Authorization - Standard	\$150.00	\$200.00
Construction Authorization - Medium	\$200.00	\$250.00
Construction Authorization - Large	\$300.00	\$350.00
Migrant Labor (Existing Septic & Well Report)	\$100.00	\$150.00
Migrant Labor (Each Additional Septic Report)	\$20.00	\$25.00
A2 Improvement Permit Only - Soil Scientist	\$150.00	\$200.00
A2 Constriction Authorization - Small - Soil Scientist	\$60.00	\$80.00
A2 Constriction Authorization - Medium - Soil Scientist	\$80.00	\$100.00
A2 Constriction Authorization - Large - Soil Scientist	\$120.00	\$140.00
A2 New Septic System/Full Permit - Small - Soil Scientist	\$120.00	\$140.00
A2 New Septic System/Full Permit -Medium - Soil Scientist	\$140.00	\$160.00
A2 New Septic System/Full Permit -Large - Soil Scientist	\$180.00	\$200.00
Expedited New Septic Permit Fee	New	\$500.00
Third Party Bacteriological Water Sample for MLH	New	\$145.00
Septic System Location Fee - GPR	New	\$150.00

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 6

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025

☒ Information Only  
☐ Report/Presentation  
☐ Action Item  
☐ Consent Agenda

☐ Public Comment  
☐ Closed Session  
☐ Planning/Zoning  
☐ Water District Issue

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**INFORMATION ONLY**

Please contact the County Manager's Office if you would like additional information on any of the following:

- 3/17/2025 Dangerous Dog/Health Advisory Committee Minutes
- 2024 NC Data Card
- 2025 Child Health Report Card



**Dangerous Dog Appeal Hearing/  
SCHD Health Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
March 17, 2025**

**Attendance**

Committee Members: Cassie Faircloth, Daniel Cumbo, Dr. Cynthia Davis, Eddie Parker, Commissioner Lethia Lee, Brittany Serafini, Russell Devane, Katrina Boykin

Non-Committee Members: First Sgt. Jessica Byrd, Sgt. Hardison, Interim County Manager-Jeffrey Hudson, Attorney Paul Allen, Wanda Robinson, Tamra Jones, Kory Hair, Cameron Howell

- I. **Call to Order:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee Meeting – Cassie Faircloth
- II. **Appointment of New Committee Members:** Wanda Robinson inducted new members; Brittany Serafini and Eddie Parker.
- III. **Adjournment:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee meeting.
- IV. **Call to Order:** Dangerous Dog Appeal Hearing- Cassie Faircloth
  - a) Overview of Dangerous Dog Hearing Process/Rules: Cassie Faircloth reviewed Article 1A. Dangerous Dogs Sections (a) (1) a. and b; (2) a. b. and c. (See attached). She stated that all speakers will have five minutes to speak, and speakers will then be asked questions by the Committee. No questions.
  - b) Public Comment:

*Cassie Faircloth called Sampson County Animal Control to speak. First Sgt. Byrd and Sgt. Hardison were sworn in under Oath by Wanda Robinson.*

- First Sgt. Byrd explained that she supervises Sgt. Hardison. She did not respond to this call, however, Sgt. Hardison did. It was explained how the two unprovoked canines came onto property owned by the Diorio family; in an aggressive manner, Mr. Christopher Diorio picked his dog up to protect him. The two canines still inflicted bites on his canine, as well as him. She explained that “potentially dangerous” is considered when a canine, not supervised, without provocation and leaves the real property of the owner and inflicts injury. First Sgt. Byrd expressed that it did seem apparent the two canines owned by Mrs. Yaw were strictly going after the canine owned by Mr. Christopher Diorio. It did not appear as if they were attempting attack Mr. Christopher Diorio, and this was why they

stated the two canines were “potentially” dangerous dogs. First Sgt. Byrd and Sgt. Hardison have gone to the animal shelter to visit with the dogs on more than one occasion. First Sgt. Byrd stated that the first time she visited, the male was stand-offish. The second time, they were pleasant. The last time she visited, the female canine showed food aggression, but the male canine did not. Sgt. Hardison stated that when he visited the shelter, both canines were aggressive when he attempted to put his hand near the kennel. He stated he had been to the shelter to visit the dogs numerous times since and has noticed that the male canine is better and will now lick his finger, however, he still will not put his hand anywhere near the female canine, as she will bite at the cage when he is near. First Sgt. Byrd stated that the victim had been asked to bring medical records, vet records, and photographs. Documents submitted into evidence by Casse Faircloth.

*Cassie Faircloth called Mrs. Yaw (canine owner) to speak. Mrs. Yaw was sworn in under Oath by Wanda Robinson.*

- Mrs. Yaw stated that on the day of the incident, she had left the home for approximately 56 min (according to the camera), to pick up her grandson. She stated that the dogs were visible on the front porch for about 45 minutes (via camera footage), then were not visible. However, when pulled back into her yard, both dogs were on her back porch. Mrs. Yaw stated that Odis, white and tan male canine, had no blood on him and Sky, grey female canine, had no blood on her. Mrs. Yaw stated that once she learned of the incident, she asked for proof that it was in fact her dogs that attacked Mr. Christopher Dorio and his canine, however she did not get any. Mrs. Yaw questioned how her dogs could be vicious, as the Dorio family had been on their property in the past, prior to the incident, with no problems. She also stated that the animal shelter staff have been able to leash, play, and be around her canines with no issues.

Dr. Cynthia Davis questioned if there was a fence on the property. Mrs. Yaw stated that there was a wireless fence and the batteries that were in the dogs’ collars were replaced monthly, regardless of whether they were dead or not. Mrs. Yaw was confident they were working as they would beep when her dogs reached the property line.

Brittany Serafini asked if there had been any prior incidents. Mrs. Yaw explained that her brother, UPS, FedEx, and her neighbors’ children come into their yard and have never had any problems.

Russell Devane asked if the dogs were contained on the back porch. Mrs. Yaw stated they can freely roam the circumference of her yard. He asked if there was any kind of fence. She stated again that there was a wireless fence in place.

Dr. Cynthia Davis questioned if the two canines had ever left the property and Mrs. Yaw had to look for them. Mrs. Yaw stated “No, I’ve never”. Dr. Cynthia Davis confirmed by asking if the dogs were always on the property contained by the wireless fence. Mrs. Yaw proceeded to explain that the one time they did get out, “Chris” came over and it was due to the batteries being dead in the collars. Since then, she has replaced them monthly. Dr. Cynthia Davis informed Mrs. Yaw that if her ground is unlevel, it could cause inaccuracy in the set perimeter and may not work as intended.

Daniel Cumbo asked how far away did Mr. Diorio live. Mrs. Yaw stated, “Probably from here to the parking lot”. He asked if there were other dogs in the neighborhood and she responded, yes. He asked her if she had any idea what could have happened the day of the incident. She stated that she is still trying to put the pieces together herself. She confirmed that there was no other camera evidence.

Russell Devane asked how old the dogs were. Mrs. Yaw stated that Sky, the female, was 4, and Odis, the male, was a year old. Both dogs are spayed/neutered. The Yaw family have been the only owners of both dogs.

Daniel Cumbo asked Mrs. Yaw if her dogs were specifically pointed out as the dogs that attacked Mr. Diorio. Mrs. Yaw stated that she was told they were her dogs. She stated that Odis was on the porch and the camera recording him tearing the wood off of her glider. The dogs then were missing from the porch for a period of 22 minutes. Mrs. Cassie Faircloth asked if the time the dogs were not on the porch matched the time of the attack. Mrs. Yaw could not confirm.

*Cassie Faircloth called Mr. Yaw (canine owner) to speak. Mr. Yaw was sworn in under Oath by Wanda Robinson.*

- Mr. Yaw stated that Mr. Christopher Diorio came over to their house claiming that their dogs had attacked his dog and him, in his front yard. He stated that Mr. Christopher Diorio was waving a gun around threatening to shoot them and kill their dogs.

Russell Devane asked Mr. and Mrs. Yaw how long they had resided

at this address. They stated, “26 years.”

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked the Yaws to confirm that Odis was white and tan, not white and grey. They confirmed.

*Cassie Faircloth called the Diorio Family to speak. Vincent and Christopher Diorio were sworn in under Oath by Wanda Robinson.*

- Mr. Christopher Diorio explained that his dog, who is his emotional support dog, had to go outside, so he leashed his dog and headed outside. He stated that his family had two properties; the property their house sits on and a property that is wooded. Their wooded property is where he saw the dogs. He explained that the dogs came under his carport, and he attempted to pick up his dog, who weighs sixty-five pounds, and take her back inside. He was under the carport and was approximately 4-5 feet from the door. He said, “I was trying to fight to keep my dog from being attacked.” He stated that his clothes were ripped and there was blood on the carport.

Cassie Faircloth asked if there was a witness to the incident. Mr. Vincent Diorio (the victim’s father) was there and stated that he was sitting in his chair, inside the home, when he heard a commotion outside. When he walked to the door, “Chris” was lying on the carport floor, with his dog under him. Mr. Vincent Diorio started to yell, and the dogs ran back to their yard. Cassie Faircloth asked if he saw the dogs physically attacking his son, and Mr. Vincent Diorio stated, “Yes, I did. One was biting him on the arm and when I yelled, they just took off.” Once “Chris” and his dog got inside, the dog was bleeding all over the floor in the kitchen and “Chris” was bleeding from his hand and sides.

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked if the dogs had a history of coming onto the property owned by the Diorio’s and Mr. Vincent Diorio explained that they come into their yard about once or twice a week. Mr. Vincent Diorio stated that their dog still needs more surgery and cannot be left alone as she may pull out her stitches.

Dan Cumbo and Dr. Cynthia Davis questioned the color of the dogs, as the report states differently than Mrs. Yaw stated. Mr. Christopher Diorio stated that the male was mostly white, and the female was grey. Mr. Vincent Diorio stated that his bedroom window faces the Yaw’s property and he hears the dogs barking as early as 7:30 AM and sometimes all night.

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked what kind of training or certification the



dog had, as it was mentioned she was an emotional support dog. Mr. Christopher Diorio stated that the dog had not had any training but did have a certificate as an emotional support dog due to him having PTSD. He confirmed that she did not have any specific training, she was strictly an emotional support dog.

Russell Devane asked how old the dog was that was attacked. Mr. Christopher Diorio stated his dog was 6 years old. Russell Devane asked how long they had lived at the address. Mr. Vincent Diorio stated they had lived there 28-29 years.

Both Mr. Christopher and Mr. Vincent Diorio confirmed that the dogs, owned by the Yaw family, were not on the property owned by the Yaw family prior to the attack. They were on the wooded property owned by the Diorio family. Mr. Christopher Diorio explained that the wooded property is on their right and the Yaws live on their left.

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked if there had ever been issues between the three dogs, previously. Mr. Christopher Diorio stated just the one that happened back in November. At that time, he was able to get the dogs away before anything happened. She asked if he always put his dog on a leash when he took the dog outside, he stated that it depends on if he sees other animals outside. He mentioned that she never goes more than five feet from him. *There was no incident reported for November per Sgt. Hardison.*

Attorney Paul Allen stated at this time that Mr. Christopher Diorio could now present any photos he may have. He presented photos of the white and grey dog owned by the Yaw family on his property. The photo was dated 12/14/2024 at 8:39 AM. Sgt. Hardison verified that the dog in the photo was the white and grey, male. He stated the female (not pictured) is mostly grey with a small amount of white. Photo was passed around to committee members.

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked if there were other dogs in the neighborhood. He stated there was a smaller dog. She asked if there were any that matched the description of white, grey, or tan. Mr. Christopher Diorio replied, "No."

Commissioner Lethia Lee asked Mr. Christopher Diorio if he was still under doctor's care. He informed the committee that he took the meds that were given to him and then took care of himself, but his dog was still under the care of a vet.

Brittany Serafini asked for confirmation that the time of incident

matched the timestamp on camera footage. Sgt. Hardison stated that the camera footage did not have a timestamp. *He confirmed this during the meeting on his laptop. The only date provided with camera footage was the date of upload.* Mrs. Yaw stated that she left home around 4:15 PM and arrived back home a little after 5:00 PM. He stated that the call came in after 5:00 PM. When the Sheriff's Department arrived, EMS had already left. First Sgt. Byrd confirmed that the call to 911 was placed at 5:00 PM, the first officer was dispatched at 5:01 PM. Mr. Christopher Diorio stated he had called about one minute after the attack, as soon as they got back into the house.

Dr. Cynthia Davis asked if the dogs were kenneled together at the shelter. The committee was informed that they were not kenneled together and the shelter only kennels mom and pups together. She then asked if the dogs had wireless collars on at the time of the incident. Sgt. Hardison stated that they did have collars on but there were no batteries in the collars.

No further questions.

- c) Discussion: There was a unanimous vote of all board members to uphold the Animal Controls' declaration of Odis and Sky as being "potentially dangerous dogs".

*At this time the next steps were explained to both parties by First Sgt. Byrd.*

- V. Adjournment:** Dangerous Dog Appeal Hearing.
- VI. Reconvene:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee Meeting- Cassie Faircloth
- VII. Invocation:** Eddie Parker
- VIII. Reappointment of Current Member**
  - a) Dr. Shane Sundlie: Wanda Robinson stated that this action was approved by the Board of County Commissioners. No objection was made by the Health Advisory Committee. Dr. Shane Sundlie will serve another three-year term.
- IX. Approval of Minutes**
  - a) January 13, 2025 - SCHD Health Advisory Committee Meeting minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as written by Russell Devane, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daniel Cumbo. All in favor.

- x. **Annual CD Report:** Cameron Howell, PHN II-TB/CD Coordinator, reviewed the Annual CD Report. The Health Department Communicable Disease (CD) Program involves several communicable disease sections that include Communicable Diseases, such as Rabies or Salmonella; Tuberculosis; Vaccine-Preventable Diseases, such as Pertussis/Whooping Cough; and Sexually Transmitted Diseases, such as HIV or Gonorrhea. The Communicable Disease (CD) Program staff consists of three nurses that are responsible for the surveillance, reporting, investigation and follow-up of communicable diseases in our county. The CD staff works with medical providers and the public to prevent, manage, and provide treatment for disease cases and their contacts. The staff follows the North Carolina Communicable Disease Branch guidelines and notifies the appropriate authorities as needed regarding specific communicable diseases. The CD Program staff is required to use NCEDSS, the North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System, which is an electronic data entry system for monitoring, managing and reporting diseases in Sampson County and throughout North Carolina. The staff is responsible for monitoring NCEDSS daily to identify and follow-up on any diseases reported through the system. Effective May 12th, 2023, COVID-19 was no longer considered a reportable condition by North Carolina state law (10A NCAC 41A .0101). This means that physicians and laboratories were no longer required to report individual cases or deaths to the local public health departments. Although individual cases were not reportable, we are still required to investigate and report outbreaks to the state per Rule 10A NCAC 41A .0103, as with other non-reportable conditions- e.g., influenza, RSV, norovirus. See attached handout for data on specific diseases. Cameron stated that the Hep C numbers increased due to an increase in testing. There are “chronic and acute” cases of Hep C, however only acute cases are reported.

Wanda Robinson gave a Pertussis Case update. Since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, we have seen 9 confirmed cases of Pertussis or “Whooping Cough”. Two cases were less than 1 year old. Three cases were between 1 and 2 years old. The other four cases were between the ages of 11 and 17 years old.

Current Situation: One case attends The Ark Daycare and notification letters were sent to the parents on March 7<sup>th</sup>. One case attends Hobbton Middle School and notification letters were sent to the parents on March 7<sup>th</sup>. This case is a sibling to the case above. One case attends Sampson Middle School and an electronic message was sent to the parents on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Notification letters to the parents were sent on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Notification letters are sent to the parents of those students who may have been in contact with the positive case. There is a broad contact letter that is sent home with the students who may have been exposed to the case by being in the same class, extracurricular activity or bus. Close contacts are identified through interviews with the parents, students, teachers and school nurses to determine who receives the close contact letter. The purpose of this is to notify the parents of the possibility of exposure and to get their child tested if they are exhibiting signs and symptoms. Sampson County Health Department investigates, provides surveillance, and performs contact tracing for this type of communicable disease. We work closely

with the schools, daycares and providers in the area to mitigate the spread to keep the community safe. Cameron added that most cases have been up to date on their vaccines, as well as the contacts. Infected people are sent home for 21 days from onset of symptoms or until they complete their antibiotic.

**XI. Financial:**

- a) Monthly Update: Tamra reviewed the activity summary, Medicaid revenues, Local revenues (insurance and private-pay payments). No questions from the Committee.
- b) FISCAL Report: No update.
- c) CPT Code Update\*: Tamra reviewed the updated CPT Codes and Fees. She stated that most of the time these tests are added when another provider sends the client to the Health Department for labs. In order to bill, they must be listed on the current fee schedule. CPT codes change as required by insurance and must be updated as needed. Motion to approve the updated CPT codes and Fees made by Russell Devane, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daniel Cumbo. All in favor.

Commissioner Lethia Lee asked if there had been cuts from the State. Tamra explained that the AAs have been received for the new Fiscal year, and they remained the same.

**VIII. Health Directors Report:** Wanda Robinson asked if the committee members were in favor of receiving meeting packets via email, then receiving a paper copy packet at the time of the meeting. This would mean that meeting packets would no longer be mailed to the committee members. Motion to approve this change was made by Commissioner Lethia Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Russell Devane. All in favor.

Mrs. Robinson stated that the Health Department was accredited with honors, once again. The team is accepting the plaque in Raleigh on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Cassie Faircloth congratulated the Health Department on this accomplishment.

Mrs. Robinson stated that they are planning another Opioid meeting. Committee members received a graph that shows the amount of Opioid settlement funds that Sampson County will receive over the next 14 fiscal years. These settlements started in fiscal year of 22-23. She reviewed a handout that explained spending plans by other counties. Sampson County has not submitted any plans on how they will spend these funds. Different strategies that have been shared on spending these funds include Collaborative Strategic Planning, Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment, Recovery Support Services, Recovery Housing Services, Early Intervention, Naloxone Distribution, Post-Overdose Response Team, Syringe Services Program, Criminal Justice Diversion Program, and Addiction Treatment for Incarcerated Persons. Mrs. Robinson stated that there will need to be a resolution in place. An example was given to committee members for review.

Attorney Paul Allen asked if there were any legal guardrails provided with these



funds. She referred to E6 on the sample resolution (which is the resolution used by Alamance County) where it explains that funds must solely be used for Opioid.

Mrs. Robinson explained that the County is working on ensuring that services are being provided to the citizens five days per week. Environmental Health will be open to the public Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, effective April 1, 2025. The Interim County Manager, Jeffrey Hudson, stated that this information would be posted, letting the citizens know of the upcoming change.

IX. **Public Comment:** None.

X. **Adjournment:** SCHD Health Advisory Committee Meeting.

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Russell Devane, Vice Chair                      Date

 05/19/2025  
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Wanda Robinson, Secretary                      Date

# SAMPSON COUNTY

## 2024 NC DATA CARD

### NORTH CAROLINA

Child population: 2,271,482  
Percent under age six: 31.5%  
Number of live births: 121,557

Child population: 14,313  
Percent under age six: 32.6%  
Number of live births: 825



### A STRONG START

Women who receive  
early prenatal care:

**71.6%**

2022

74.2% 2021

Babies born at  
a low birthweight:

**10.9%**

2022

9.0% 2021

Babies born  
pre-term:

**11.5%**

2022

13.0% 2021



### FAMILY ECONOMIC SECURITY

Children living in  
poor or low-income homes:

**60.3%**

2022

61.4% 2021

Children in households  
that are food insecure:

**24.5%**

2022

19.2% 2021

Median family  
income:

**\$49,963**

2022

\$45,127 2021



### NURTURING HOMES & COMMUNITIES

Delinquency rate per  
1,000 youth ages 8-17:

**85.2**

2022

15.11 2021

Children assessed for  
abuse or neglect per 1,000:

**63.9**

2022

60.5 2021

Teen births per  
1,000 girls ages 15-17:

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2022

2021



### HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION

3rd grade students  
scoring proficient in reading:

**46.7%**

2022-2023

39.7% 2021-2022

High school students  
graduating on time\*:

**80.7%**

2022-2023

79.0% 2021-2022

Residents with bachelor's  
degree or higher:

**14.9%**

2022

14.7% 2021



### HEALTH & WELLNESS

Children without  
health insurance:

**6.3%**

2022

4.4% 2021

Infant mortality per  
1,000 live births:

**10.9**

2022

6.3 2021

Child deaths per  
100,000 children:

**80.2**

2022

55.7 2021

\*Percentage is not reported if it is greater than 95% or less than 5%

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# SAMPSON CONDADO

## 2024 NC TARJETA DE DATOS

### CAROLINA DEL NORTE

Población infantil: 2,271,482  
Porcentaje de niños  
menores de seis años: 31.5%  
Número de niños  
nacidos vivos: 121,557

Población infantil: 14,313  
Porcentaje de niños  
menores de seis años: 32.6%  
Número de niños  
nacidos vivos: 825



UN BUEN  
COMIENZO

Mujeres que reciben  
atención prenatal temprana:

**71.6%**

2022

74.2% 2021



Bebés nacidos  
con bajo peso:

**10.9%**

2022

9.0% 2021



Bebés prematuros:

**11.5%**

2022

13.0% 2021



SEGURIDAD  
ECONÓMICA  
FAMILIAR

Niños que viven en hogares  
pobres o de bajos ingresos:

**60.3%**

2022

61.4% 2021



Niños en hogares sin  
seguridad alimentaria:

**24.5%**

2022

19.2% 2021



Mediana del nivel de  
ingresos familiar:

**\$49,963**

2022

\$45,127 2021



APOYO DE LOS  
HOGARES Y  
COMUNIDADES

Tasa de delincuencia por cada  
1.000 menores entre 8 y 17 años:

**85.2**

2022

15.11 2021

Niños evaluados por maltrato o  
negligencia por cada 1.000:

**63.9**

2022

60.5 2021



Partos de adolescentes entre 15 y  
17 años por cada 1.000 jóvenes:

\*

2022

2021



EDUCACIÓN DE  
ALTA CALIDAD

Estudiantes de 3er grado que alcanzan  
un nivel de competencia en lectura:

**46.7%**

2022-2023

39.7% 2021-2022



Estudiantes de secundaria que  
se gradúan a tiempo\*:

**80.7%**

2022-2023

79.0% 2021-2022

Habitantes con una licenciatura  
o título de educación superior:

**14.9%**

2022

14.7% 2021



SALUD Y  
BIENESTAR

Niños sin seguro médico:

**6.3%**

2022

4.4% 2021



Mortalidad infantil por cada  
1.000 niños nacidos vivos:

**10.9**

2022

6.3 2021

Niño muertes por cada  
100.000 niños

**80.2**

2022

55.7 2021

\*El porcentaje no se reporta si es superior al 95% o inferior al 5%

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# 2025

## CHILD HEALTH Report Card

Focus on  
**School-Based  
Mental Health**



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NC Child advocates for policies that improve the lives of all North Carolina children. They work to advance thoughtful policy solutions around early childhood education, child health and well-being, and family economic security. They do this through conducting and analyzing evidence-based research and data, collaborating with leaders at the North Carolina General Assembly, and engaging communities across North Carolina's 100 counties.

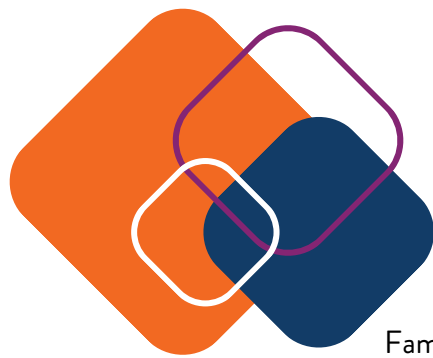


The North Carolina Institute of Medicine disseminates information on health and health care in North Carolina, researches and analyzes programs, strategies, and policies to improve health, and develops consensus around which solutions will best meet the health needs of North Carolina.









# SECURE HOMES & NEIGHBORHOODS

Family economic security provides the foundation for healthy childhood development, influencing a child's physical, social-emotional, and cognitive health. In recent years, North Carolina has made progress to set that foundation for children living in stable homes and secure environments.

**40%**

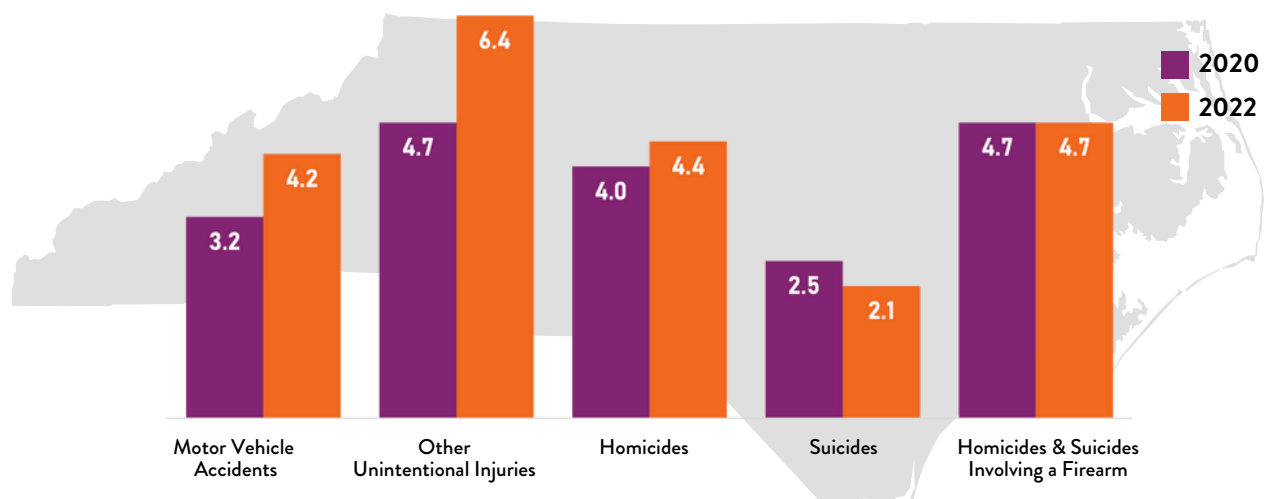
*of children are still in foster care 2 years after entry*

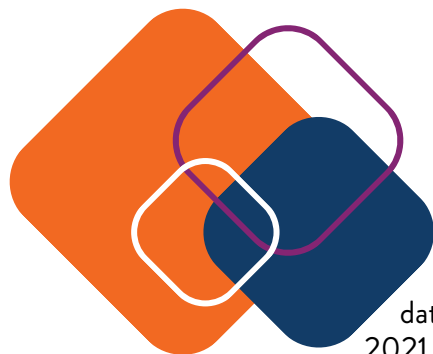
Across the state, seven percent of children live in high-poverty neighborhoods, down from eight percent since the last report card. The percentage of children living in poor or low-income households decreased slightly from 40 percent in 2021 to 39 percent in 2023. That is a noted improvement from ten years ago when nearly half, 49 percent, of North Carolina children lived in low-income households.

Adequate financial resources and safe, stable environments ensure families can fulfill children's basic needs and protect their health. Without stable and livable parental incomes, children are more likely to go without nutritious foods, safe housing, and health care, all of which negatively impact their health. Therefore, to address child health, we should take steps to invest in the economic security of North Carolina families.

GRADE	INDICATOR	DATA YEARS	CURRENT	BASE	% CHANGE	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	HISPANIC OR LATINO	OTHER/ MULTIRACE	WHITE, NON-HISPANIC
F	<b>Housing &amp; Economic Security</b>										
	Children who live in high-poverty neighborhoods	2023	7.0%	7.0%	0.0%	16.0%	23.0%	3.0%	10.0%	7.0%	2.0%
	Children who live in poor or low-income households (<200%FPL)	2021	39.0%	40.0%	-2.5%	57.0%	NA	25.0%	57.0%	45.0%	26.0%
F	<b>Child Abuse and Neglect</b>										
	Children who are investigated for child abuse or neglect	July 2022-June 2023	5.1%	5.3%	-3.8%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Children who exit to a different living situation within 24 months	July 2021-June 2022	58.5%	59.7%	-2.1%	58.9%	73.7%	NA	62.1%	54.5%	58.1%

**North Carolina Resident Child (Ages 0-17) Death Rates by Type of Death per 100,000**





# ACCESS TO CARE

Insurance coverage remains important to children and family's health, but as the data shows, it does not necessarily predict positive child health outcomes. Between 2021 and 2023, children's health insurance coverage in North Carolina improved slightly to 94.8 percent while the percentage of parents without health insurance declined to 11.3 percent. North Carolina began enrolling working-age adults on Medicaid through Medicaid expansion in December 2023, and we expect both children's and parents' health insurance coverage rates to continue improving.

Despite improving coverage rates, other indicators in this section detail how children's health outcomes and the availability of medical care in communities worsened. The percentage of North Carolina kindergartners with untreated tooth decay rose substantially and there are persistent disparities by race and ethnicity.

In the 2022-23 school year, one in five kindergartners had untreated tooth decay, the highest reported in over five years, and is a reflection of the challenges families faced during and after the pandemic.



North Carolina needs a school health workforce to meet demands, but access to health professionals in school settings has gotten worse, as evidenced by increasing ratios of students to school nurses (809 to 1) and counselors (343 to 1). Similarly, this year's Child Health Report Card shows a lower percentage of children with Medicaid coverage receiving well-child visits than previous years, lower percentages of toddlers with appropriate immunizations, and a 13 percent decline in teenagers with one or more HPV vaccinations.

To reverse these negative trends, North Carolina should invest in its school health workforce to ensure students have access to care where they spend most of their time and spread awareness about the importance of regular primary care and vaccinations.

GRADE	INDICATOR	DATA YEARS	CURRENT	BASE	% CHANGE	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	HISPANIC OR LATINO	OTHER/ MULTIRACE	WHITE, NON-HISPANIC
D	<b>Oral Health</b> Kindergarten students with tooth decay	2022-2023, 2020-2021	19.9%	16.0%	24.4%	23.8%	23.6%	21.9%	23.9%	17.6%	16.1%
F	<b>School Health</b> School nurse to student ratio	2022-2023, 2020-2021	1:809	1:890	-9.1%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	School counselor to student ratio	2023-2024, 2021-2022	1:340	1:316	7.6%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
C	<b>Health Services Utilizations and Immunization</b> Children with Medicaid who received a well-child checkup in the past year	2023, 2021	56.5%	55.8%	1.3%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Children ages 19-35 months with appropriate immunizations	2023, 2021	76.8%	79.5%	-3.4%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Adolescents ages 13-17 who have received 1 or more HPV vaccinations	2023, 2021	74.2%	85.0%	-12.7%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
A	<b>Insurance Coverage</b> Children with health insurance coverage	2023, 2021	94.8%	94.5%	0.3%	96.3%	91.7%	96.5%	87.3%	85.1%	96.7%
	Parents without health insurance coverage	2023, 2021	11.3%	12.6%	-10.3%	8.6%	14.4%	3.4%	41.2%	22.4%	6.2%



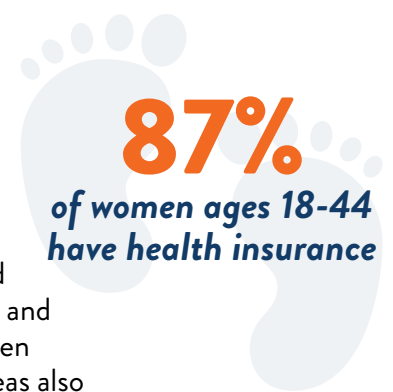


# HEALTHY BIRTHS

The latest healthy birth indicators in North Carolina show mixed progress, highlighting both positive developments and ongoing disparities in maternal and infant health. Exclusive breastfeeding rates have improved, with a growing number of newborns breastfed for at least six months, indicating increased support for maternal education and lactation resources.<sup>1</sup> Similarly, health insurance coverage for women of childbearing age has expanded significantly since 2018, increasing access to essential health services. However, these overall gains mask substantial disparities, with Hispanic or Latina women remaining disproportionately uninsured compared to their Black or African American and White counterparts, pointing to a need for policies that target gaps in insurance access.

Challenges persist in other areas, particularly in early prenatal care and infant health outcomes. The percentage of women receiving early prenatal care has slightly declined, with Black or African American and Hispanic or Latina women less likely to access this care than White women. This suggests the need for culturally tailored outreach and support services to ensure more women receive timely prenatal care. Additionally, while the overall infant mortality rate has marginally decreased, Black or African American infants continue to experience mortality rates nearly three times higher than White infants.

Addressing these disparities requires targeted interventions such as expanding access to high-quality prenatal care, providing community-based health resources, increasing diversity within the maternal health workforce, and supporting maternal mental health. Efforts to reduce preterm births and teen pregnancies have shown some stabilization, but racial disparities in these areas also demand sustained attention and policy solutions that address the social determinants of health affecting maternal and child well-being.



GRADE	INDICATOR	DATA YEARS	CURRENT	BASE	% CHANGE	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	HISPANIC OR LATINO	OTHER/ MULTIRACE	WHITE, NON-HISPANIC
<b>B</b>	<b>Breastfeeding</b> Newborns who are breastfed exclusively for at least 6 months	2021, 2019	28.3%	22.1%	28.1%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>B</b>	<b>Preconception and Maternal Health and Support</b> Women ages 18-44 with health insurance coverage	2023, 2021	86.9%	86.9%	0.0%	93.0%	99.1%	NA	53.4%	92.7%	94.8%
	Women who receive early prenatal care	2023, 2021	72.0%	73.8%	-2.4%	65.6%	72.4%	74.2%	58.5%	69.0%	79.9%
<b>F</b>	<b>Birth Outcomes</b> Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	2023, 2021	6.9	6.8	1.5%	13.6	7.4	4.3	6.0	8.3	4.5
	Babies who are born before 37 weeks of pregnancy	2023, 2021	10.7%	10.8%	-0.9%	15.0%	11.1%	8.9%	9.5%	12.1%	9.5%
<b>C</b>	<b>Teen Births</b> Rate of births to teen girls age 15-19 per 1,000	2022, 2020	21.8	22.9	-4.8%	30.2	37.6	5.9	40.1	31.2	12.3

1. The increase in exclusive breastfeeding rates may be influenced by multiple factors, including expanded breastfeeding education efforts by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the nationwide infant formula shortage that began in 2022. The shortage, driven by supply chain disruptions and product recalls, led some families to seek alternative feeding options, including extended breastfeeding when feasible.



# H HEALTH RISK FACTORS

Health and education are deeply intertwined, with disparities in both areas having long-lasting impacts on children's well-being. While we've seen slight improvements in the overall rates of children who are overweight or obese, stark disparities persist. African American children remain disproportionately affected, with obesity rates much higher than their White peers due to a variety of social, economic, and environmental factors, including disparities in access to healthy food, safe environments for physical activity, health care, and other structural barriers that impact overall well-being. Additionally, there has been an increase in the percentage of children living in food-insecure households, highlighting the continued challenges families face in accessing nutritious food. Solutions to these issues may lie in increasing access to healthy food options, enhancing physical activity programs, and ensuring that communities most affected by poverty receive targeted resources to improve both health and educational outcomes.

**OVER 50%**  
*of children ages 3-17  
have reported difficulties  
accessing mental health  
treatment they need*

At the same time, substance use and mental health issues among high school students present growing concerns. Although cigarette use continues to decline, the use of electronic vapor products remains high, particularly among specific racial groups. Mental health challenges also remain prominent, with a significant number of students reporting suicide attempts. Addressing these issues requires a multi-faceted approach that includes expanding mental health services in schools, reducing barriers to care for low-income families, addressing the influence of new technology and pressures felt at home and at school, and creating safe environments for students to receive support.

Furthermore, while high school graduation rates remain steady, continued focus on addressing the achievement gap between racial groups is necessary. While third grade reading proficiency remains below half of all third-grade students, North Carolina is making progress in recovering gains lost during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Investments in education, mentoring programs, after school activities, peer support, and community engagement can help to reduce disparities, improve outcomes, and support long-term success for all children in North Carolina.

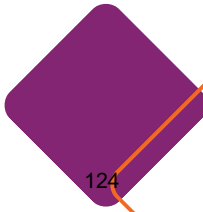
**1 in 5**  
*children live in food  
insecure households*

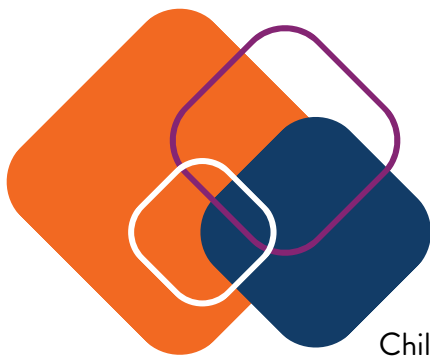




# H HEALTH RISK FACTORS

GRADE	INDICATOR	DATA YEARS	CURRENT	BASE	% CHANGE	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	HISPANIC OR LATINO	OTHER/ MULTIRACE	WHITE, NON-HISPANIC
D	<b>Healthy Eating and Active Living</b>										
	Children ages 6-17 who are overweight or obese	2022-2023, 2021-2022	30.7%	32.8%	-6.4%	41.5%	NA	23.5%	27.2%	38.0%	27.1%
	Children who live in food insecure households	2022, 2020	19.6%	17.1%	14.6%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
D	<b>Tobacco, Alcohol, Substance Use</b>										
	High school students who currently use:										
	Cigarettes	2023, 2021	3.9%	3.9%	0.0%	1.1%	5.0%	0.9%	4.6%	4.3%	5.0%
	Electronic Vapor Products	2023, 2021	21.4%	23.8%	-10.1%	21.3%	39.2%	10.0%	17.8%	32.5%	21.0%
	Alcohol	2023, 2021	20.5%	19.4%	5.7%	17.1%	27.5%	10.1%	18.2%	23.1%	22.9%
F	<b>Mental Health</b>										
	High school students who attempted suicide in the past year	2023, 2021	9.5%	10.1%	-5.9%	9.4%	7.1%	21.0%	11.7%	15.9%	7.6%
	Past year major depressive episode among adolescents ages 12-17	2022-2023, 2018-2019	19.1%	15.1%	26.8%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
D	<b>Education</b>										
	Third grade students reading at grade level	2023-2024 SY, 2021-2022 SY	48.6%	46.4%	4.7%	35.2%	40.3%	70.4%	34.2%	50.8%	60.9%
	High school students who graduation on time	2023-2024 SY, 2021-2022 SY	86.9%	86.4%	0.6%	84.3%	82.4%	>95%	83.2%	83.2%	89.7%





# SPECIAL ISSUE:

## SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH

Children spend the majority of their days in school. Schools are where children learn to read and write, and schools are where children make friends and learn to socialize.

Schools play another vital role for children and communities: they provide services. Schools are a source of meals during the day and places to play and be active. Schools also provide support staff to meet the needs of the whole child.

Healthy students come to school engaged and ready to learn, and that makes support critical to their overall success. Nationally, research shows that students with healthier behaviors tend to have higher grades in school.<sup>2</sup>

School-based services and the promotion of healthy activities can:

- Fill gaps in communities that otherwise lack access to care,
- Reduce barriers parents face in accessing care for their children, and
- Most importantly, foster healthier children and improve academic outcomes.

Too many students in North Carolina do not have access to school-based services or opportunities that positively impact their health. Now that we are experiencing a crisis of youth mental health, access to school-based mental health supports and other services has never been more important for ensuring that our children grow up to lead healthy, fulfilling lives.

### ***Access to Student Mental Health Support Staff***

The special section of the 2023 Child Health Report Card focused on the worsening youth mental health crisis in our state. Those trends have continued, warranting further attention, and schools can be part of the solution in North Carolina.

Today's youth are dealing with rising rates of anxiety, depression, and suicidal ideation. What happens at school can contribute to those issues through peer pressure and bullying, but what happens at school can also help to alleviate the challenges young people face. School districts across the state know this. In DPI's annual survey of school districts through the Healthy Active Children policy, local School Health Advisory Councils ranked mental health as their number one priority for the past eight years. Previous recommendations from NCIOM task forces have recognized the importance of opportunities for improving school-based mental health services.

Advocates and policymakers agree that youth mental health needs to be addressed and now we need the resources. The support staff workforce in North Carolina needs to meet the scale of our children's mental health needs.<sup>3</sup> In 2024, there were 1,928 students for each school psychologist in North Carolina, nearly four times the 500:1 ratio recommended by the National Association of School Psychologists. Similarly, North Carolina's student-to-school social worker ratio of 995 students per social worker is more than four times higher than the recommended level.

2. Hawkins et al. "Individual and Collective Positive Behaviors and Academic Achievement Among U.S. High School Students, Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2017." American Journal of Health Promotion. December 2021.

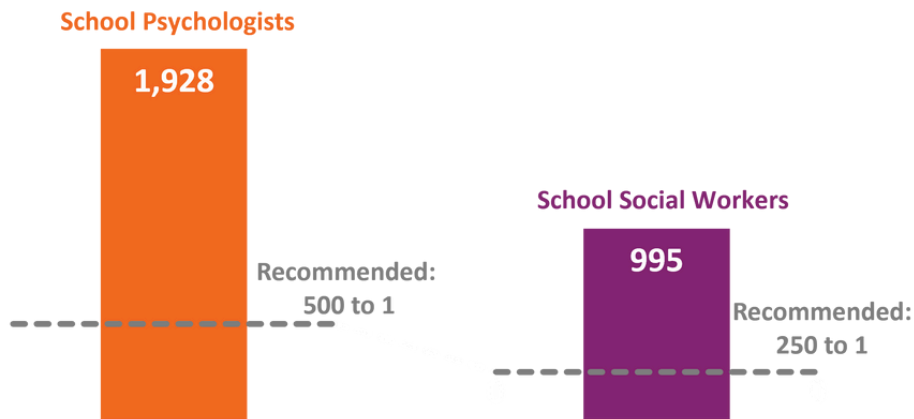
3. This section focuses on school psychologists and social workers. School counselors and nurses are also instrumental in school-based mental health service provision, but staffing data for these positions are covered in the Access to Care section of the Child Health Report Card.





## Ratios of students to school psychologists & social workers is nearly 4x the recommended level

Number of students per school psychologist and social worker in North Carolina public schools



SOURCE: NORTH CAROLINA DEPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

These roles are critical and often overburdened. School psychologists and social workers provide support for students with developmental, learning-based, and social-emotional needs. They develop prevention and intervention programs, monitor progress, and serve on threat assessment teams. Social workers support students in foster care or the juvenile justice system, those experiencing homelessness or violence and harassment, those going through substance use and mental health treatment, and those who are at risk of dropping out. They are often the frontlines and first responders of our youth mental health crisis.

If North Carolina aims to improve youth mental health outcomes, we must prioritize meeting their needs where they spend most of their day. The data is clear that our support workforce is too small to sufficiently address these needs, which warrants further investment and innovation to improve school-based access, including:

- Improving education to career pipelines with colleges and universities,
- Incentivizing psychology graduates to work in the public education system, especially in high-need districts,
- Enabling school psychologists to perform all the duties within their role, specifically more engagement with students, families, teachers, and the community,
- Bringing school support personnel's pay scale more in line with private industry wages, and
- Expanding partnerships with community-based mental health providers to co-locate services in schools.

**“North Carolina faces a youth mental health crisis, and our school systems should be part of the solution to help address students’ needs. But across our schools, we do not have an adequate school-based mental health system to meet the level of need that we’re seeing. The solutions are less about fixing students, teachers, or our schools, and more about fixing a system that’s not supporting our students, teachers, and schools satisfactorily. That starts with growing our instructional support personnel workforce so that students have meaningful access to school psychologists, counselors, social workers, and nurses.” - Dr. Ellen Essick, Section Chief, NC Healthy Schools, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction**

## Mental Health Referral Services

Given the high ratios of students to support personnel and the range of responsibilities of school psychologists and social workers in North Carolina, school districts often rely on community-based providers to serve students in school or community settings.

These partnerships with local providers and with Local Management Entities/Managed Care Organizations (LME/MCOs) add to the capacity to meet students' needs through referrals, follow-up and coordination of services, and school or community-based treatment. Some progress has been made on recommendations related to LME/MCO partnerships with schools from the 2016 NCIOM Task Force on Mental Health and Substance Use.

DPI data suggests that most school districts have some kind of mental health provider partnership in place. According to DPI's 2023 School-Based Mental Health Policy survey, less than half of school districts in the state had Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) in place with LME/MCOs to coordinate referrals, treatment, and reentry to schools. However, about 85 percent of public school districts had similar MOUs with local mental health service providers.

While most districts report plans and partnerships to increase school-based mental health services, many simultaneously report challenges actually providing care. In 2023, about 55 percent of school districts said that they only somewhat addressed how students would access and transition within school and community-based services. Others report that their partners have experienced therapist and counselor turnover which complicates the delivery of co-located services in schools.

One rural Western North Carolina district described the challenges they face in coordinating community-based care within schools:

*"While we have made great strides (and can ensure that if a student needs services, they will receive them), we continue to struggle with sustaining mental health providers and in some cases, agency partners. We began last year with three agencies serving the district under MOAs, then dropped to two agencies over the course of the year. We have appropriate procedures in place and they continue to work for us, we just need to keep the providers in place."*

The districts that fully address student access and transition within services still face similar challenges. Some report that there are not enough providers to fully serve the community.

In 2024, NC Child conducted school-based focus groups which found that barriers like difficulty billing Medicaid for services can hinder students' ability to receive treatments. School districts and their community provider partners have reported that they lack the systems to bill Medicaid appropriately, while also raising concerns with prior authorization or denials of school-based services. North Carolina's State Plan Amendment in 2026 hopes to address school-based Medicaid billing problems.

Great strides have been made to enhance the mental health services available in schools through community partnerships, but challenges persist.

North Carolina can continue to expand access to mental health services in schools by:

- Easing administrative and financial barriers to partnerships with community-based providers to co-locate mental health care in schools,
- Growing local and regional mental health workforces that can serve as schools' community-based partners,
- Expanding access to virtual mental and behavioral health services in schools, and
- Reviewing and addressing barriers to Medicaid billing for mental health services in schools, including administrative capacity, prior authorization denials, and more.

### **Physical Activity & Mental Health**

A child's physical health is essential to their overall health.

School-age children and teenagers who get adequate amounts of physical activity have better memory and attention, which helps them to perform in the classroom. Physical activity also reduces the risk of chronic disease, regulates weight, and builds strong muscles.

**less than half**  
of high school students were  
physically active at least 5  
days per week

Physical activity is also positively associated with children's mental health. Data from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey shows that 44 percent of North Carolina high school students who are not physically active for 60 minutes five days per week report persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness, compared to 34 percent of students who exercise moderately most of the week.

While the benefits of being physically active are clear, most students in North Carolina are not physically active for the recommended 60 minutes per day five days a week. In 2023, less than half of North Carolina's high school students, 42 percent, were physically active at that level during the school week, which represents sizable gains from the pandemic, but only slight improvements over levels in 2011. Among middle school students, a much higher 52 percent were physically active for at least 60 minutes per day for five days a week.

The association between physical activity, mental health, and academic success makes it imperative that schools prioritize play, activity, and physical education. The State Board of Education has updated North Carolina's Healthy Active Children Policy to require high schools to offer at least 60 minutes per week of physical activity. While this is a good starting point, the national recommendation is for children to receive 60 minutes of physical activity per day, seven days a week. Districts that follow this requirement, or go above and beyond, will ensure that students have opportunities to be active, which will improve their mental health and their overall well-being.



### **Social Media & Mental Health**

Today's children spend much of their time on social media. The Pew Research Center found, in 2023, that more than 90 percent of US youth ages 13-17 reported using at least one social media platform, with one in five saying they use YouTube or TikTok almost constantly. A Gallup survey found that teens spend an average of about five hours on social media every day.<sup>4</sup> In North Carolina, about 80 percent of high school

4. Anderson, M., Faverio, M., and Gottfried, J. "Teens, Social Media, and Technology 2023." Pew Research Center. December 11, 2023.; and Rothwell, Jonathan, "Teens Spend Average of 4.8 Hours on Social Media per Day," Gallup, October 13, 2023.

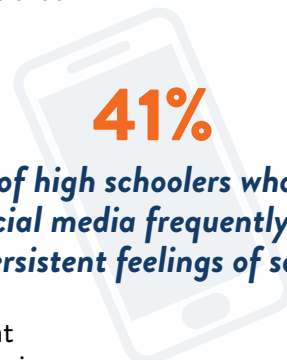
students said they used social media at least several times per day in 2023.

Research has linked frequent social media use among children with increased risks of anxiety, depression, and externalizing problems.<sup>5</sup> In North Carolina, Youth Risk Behavior Survey data shows that high schoolers who use social media several times per day report higher rates of sadness or hopelessness than their counterparts who use social media less frequently.

Finding ways to reduce the amount of time children spend on social media can help reduce the risk of children developing mental health problems, helping to combat the ongoing youth mental health crisis. Several school districts across the state have prohibited students from using cell phones in schools which can contribute to less screen time and more focused children in the classroom. The North Carolina General Assembly is currently considering a bill that would extend cell phone bans to all schools in the state, preventing students from using non-approved electronic devices during instructional time. NC Child has signaled its support for the bill which takes a good first step toward setting boundaries and instilling norms that can carry over to students' behavior outside of the classroom.

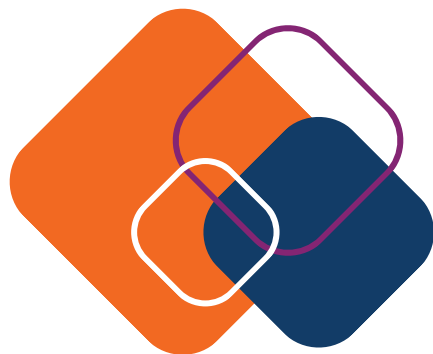
**41%**

*of high schoolers who use social media frequently report persistent feelings of sadness*



5. Riehm, K., Feder, K., and Tormohlen, K. "Associations Between Time Spent Using Social Media and Internalizing and Externalizing Problems Among US Youth." JAMA Psychiatry. September 11, 2019.





# DEMOGRAPHICS

## OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CHILDREN

	2023 TOTALS	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	HISPANIC OR LATINO	OTHER/ MULTIRACE	WHITE, NON- HISPANIC
<b>Number of babies born (live births)</b>	<b>120,065</b>	24,992	1,346	5,122	23,778	3,828	60,999
<b>Percent of total live births</b>	<b>100%</b>	20.8%	1.1%	4.3%	19.8%	3.2%	50.8%
<b>Percent of children under age 18</b>	<b>100% 2,318,795</b>	20.5% 475,895	1.2% 26,844	3.3% 75,859	18.8% 436,616	6.7% 155,572	51.0% 1,183,676

### DISPARITIES BY RACE PERSIST IN NORTH CAROLINA ACROSS MANY AREAS OF CHILD WELL-BEING

#### INFANT MORTALITY rate per 1,000 live births

White 4.5  
Black 13.6  
Hispanic 6.0

	WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC
Percentage of children in poor or low-income households	26.0%	57.0%	57.0%
Percentage of high school students who attempted suicide in the past year	7.6%	9.4%	11.7%
Percentage of 3rd grade students reading at grade level	60.9%	35.2%	34.2%

**GRADES AND CHANGE OVER TIME:** Grades are assigned by a panel of health experts to bring attention to the current status of North Carolina children in salient measures of health and well-being. Grades and trends are based on North Carolina's performance year-to-year, disparities by race/ethnicity, and what level of child health and safety North Carolina should aspire to, regardless of how we compare to other states or the nation as a whole.

Grades are subjective measures of how children in North Carolina are faring in a particular area and are not meant to judge the performance of a state agency or agencies providing data or services. Please note that several agencies have made a great deal of progress in recent years, which may not be reflected in these grades.

Data sources and additional references can be found online at: [www.nciom.org](http://www.nciom.org) or [www.ncchild.org](http://www.ncchild.org)

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ITEM ABSTRACT

ITEM NO. 7

Meeting Date: July 14, 2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Comment
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Report/Presentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Closed Session
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Item	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning/Zoning
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water District Issue

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**SUBJECT:** Board Appointments

**DEPARTMENT:** Governing Body

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**CONTACT PERSON(S):** Vice Chairman Eric Pope

**PURPOSE:** To consider appointments to various boards

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

**BACKGROUND:**

Sampson Community College Board of Trustees – Reappoint Ms. Larinda Haight to another term on the Sampson Community College Board of Trustees

*\*Vice Chair should make a motion to reappoint Ms. Haight*