

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	March 21,2022
Action Requested:	Approval of Resolution (Appropriation, 1st of 2 readings)
Presenter:	Hunter Smith, Human Services Department
Staff Contacts:	Hunter Smith, Human Services Planner Misty Graves, Interim Human Services Director
Title:	Annie Casey Foundation Family Engagement Support Stipend Grant (\$15,000)

Background:

The Human Services Department continues to work toward Probation Transformation with the Annie E. Casey Foundation, the 16th District Court Services Unit, the Commonwealth’s Attorney’s office, the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice among other developing partnerships to improve outcomes for local youth impacted by probation through the juvenile justice system. Collaboration between these groups and other community organizations are working toward improving family engagement practices, minimizing the use of Child in Need of Services petitions in the court system, expanding diversion opportunities for youth and reducing the impact of technical violations that often result in more lengthy periods of probation and working to bring restorative justice practices into the community.

Discussion:

These funds have been awarded to provide stipends to youth and families that participate in activities and/or conversations around making these improvements, specifically around family engagement. These funds can also be used to provide any other material support that youth or families may need to conduct this work; food, child care, transportation, etc.

Alignment with City Council’s Vision and Strategic Plan:

The **Annie Casey Foundation Family Engagement Support Stipend Grant** aligns with the City of Charlottesville’s Strategic Plan – Goal 2: A Healthy and Safe City; Objective 2.3: Improve community health and safety outcomes by connecting residents with effective resources.

The Human Service Department’s programs, including work toward Probation Transformation, provide residential and community based services that prevent delinquency and promote the healthy development of youth.

Community Engagement:

This grant provides stipends and material supports to community members engaged in probation transformation work through focus groups, ongoing policy and practice improvement meetings and by other means developed through community engagement. Citizens impacted by the juvenile justice system may be invited to participate.

Budgetary Impact:

There is no impact to the General Fund. This grant will be appropriated into a grants fund.

Alternatives:

If the funds are not appropriated, the grant would not be received and the Family Engagement work would not be provided.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of funds.

Attachment (1):

Resolution

Suggested motion: “I move the Resolution Appropriating \$15,000 Received from the Annie E. Casey Foundation for expenditure within the City’s Family Engagement Support Stipend Program”

RESOLUTION

Appropriating Grant Funding in the Amount of \$15,000, Received from the Annie E. Casey Foundation to the City’s Family Engagement Support Stipend Program

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville has been awarded \$15,000 from the Annie E. Casey Foundation;

WHEREAS, the funds will be expended to provide stipends and material supports for community members involved in Probation Transformation projects undertaken by the Human Services Department in collaboration with other local organizations. The grant award covers the period from November 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that upon receipt of the funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, the grant funding in the amount of \$15,000 is hereby appropriated as follows:

<u>Revenues</u>			
\$15,000	FUND 210	IO: 1900453	G/L: 451022
<u>Expenditures</u>			
\$15,000	FUND 210	IO: 1900453	G/L: 599999