

\$139,176**30%****January 28, 2026****Anticipated Annual Allocation****Required Local Match Rate****Date Advertised**

WATAUGA County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Request for Proposals

The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) has studied the risk factors and needs of Juvenile Court involved youth in Watauga County and hereby publishes a 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 2026-2027 beginning on, or after, July 1, 2026. The use of these funds requires a local match in the amount specified above.

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mentoring Services | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restitution/Community Service | <input 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 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 |

Proposed program services should target the following risk factors for delinquency or repeat delinquency:

Services for low and moderate risk youth and youth with moderate and high needs; see domain concerns listed below.

Proposed services should address the following concerns as reported in the Youth Assessment Screening Instrument (YASI) for adjudicated youth:

1. Peer Domain: association with negative/delinquent peers, threats/bullying
2. Individual Domain: substance use, history of physical/sexual abuse/victimization, lack of adaptive skills
3. Family Domain: substance use/abuse, mental health needs, inadequate supervision and parent/guardian skills
4. School Domain: school behavior problems, conflicts, bullying

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.

Only local public agencies, 501(c)(3) non-profit corporations and local housing authorities can apply for funding.

In order to apply for FY 2026-2027 JCPC funding, you must complete and submit your application online by accessing NC ALLIES. Please read and follow all instructions at: <https://cp.ncdijdp.org/CP>. Additional self-help videos on the NC ALLIES webpage are available by clicking on the HELP tab. Private non-profits are also required to submit, by uploading in NC ALLIES, the following: 1) No Over Due Tax form, 2) DPS Conflict of Interest Statement, 3) Agency Conflict of Interest Policy, and 4) Proof of 501(c)(3) status. (#1 & #2 are available at the above link.)

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The deadline for receiving applications is:

March 9, 2026 at 5:00 pm

Email 1 electronic copy to:
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For further information or technical assistance in applying for JCPC funds in Madison County, contact DPS Area Consultant Melissa Johnson at 828-808-3019, 828-773-1550 or melissa.g.johnson@ncdps.gov.