

# DSS Juvenile Services Division's Programs



31st District Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court orders youth from PWC, Manassas and Manassas Park to predispositional programs

- Two detention alternatives
  - Molinari Shelter for Youth, non-secure, 15 beds, certified by the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)
  - Pre-trial supervision at home, electronic monitoring option
- Juvenile Detention Center
  - 72 beds, certified by DJJ
  - Secure

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#### **Juvenile Justice Continuum**



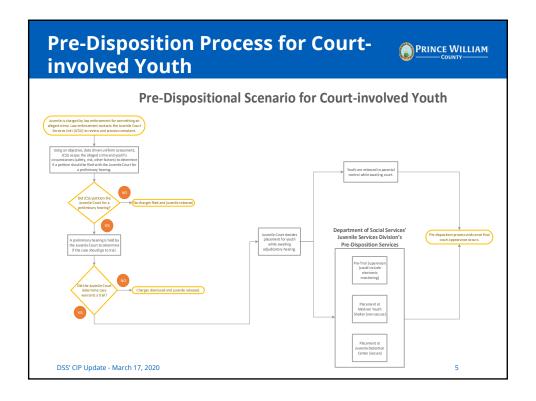
Pre-disposition Options

Post-disposition Options

#### Juvenile Justice Continuum

- Pre-Trial Supervision
- Molinari Youth Shelter (non-secure)
- Juvenile Detention Center
- Probation
- Commitment to a state juvenile correction facility or residential placement
- Local Community Placement Program
- Parole
- Boys & Girls Group Homes (eliminated in 2008)
- Day Reporting Center (eliminated in 2008)

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# Characteristics of JDC detainees in FY19:



- Top 3 criminal charges Assault, Larceny, & Robbery
- Average length of stay 32 days
- 43% have prescribed Psychotropic Medication and receive Behavioral Health Services
- Services provided personal assessments/screenings, behavioral health screenings, life skills training, anger replacement therapy, pro-social skills
- Education
  - PWCS staff are embedded at the JDC and Molinari to educate students from PWC and the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park
  - GED courses and testing are offered onsite along with NVCC classes for post-disposition youth

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### **Juvenile Detention Center Funding**



JDC Funding	
Local General Fund	\$2,365,631
Per Diem from Cities	\$568,324
State Funding CPP	\$739,235
Block Grant, USDA, DJJ	\$2,126,425
Total	\$5,799,615

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#### **Current situation**



- 28% of youth (post-dispositional) re-offend
- Entire system, both service delivery and facility design, needs to focus on reducing recidivism
  - Evidence-based "Missouri Model"
  - Facility design coupled with trauma-informed programming reduces juvenile recidivism

https://www.aecf.org/resources/the-missouri-model/

Current JDC design is in direct conflict with traumainformed and evidence-based design and programs

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#### **Evolution of Facility Designs...**



- 1970's model was based on adult detention (bars, walls, security)
- Since the '70's, nationwide transformation has occurred in juvenile justice programming, which has led to a change in how juvenile detention facilities are designed
- Using the Missouri Model as a guide, the Commonwealth of Virginia began implementing statewide juvenile justice reform in 2014
- Modern facilities now include trauma-informed designs which are conducive for implementing evidenced-based programs
- Facility design characteristics impact treatment, education, and engagement

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## Transformation Efforts in PWC DSS Juvenile Services



- Identified the need for a new or renovated facility to meet best practices in juvenile justice services 2016
- Needs Assessment was completed in January 2018 required to start the process for up to 50% potential reimbursement from the Commonwealth (VAC 16.1/309.5)
- After completing the Needs Assessment for the JDC only, the scope was expanded to include the exploration of a Juvenile Services campus model to include Molinari and Pre-Trial staff and potentially JCSU Probation staff.
- Planning Study is funded in the current CIP and is underway

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<ul> <li>Security</li> <li>Separation of youth</li> <li>Lobby does not have room for metal detector or search/pat down of visitors</li> <li>Congestion in intake area</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heath &amp; Safety</li> <li>Kitchen and laundry space is inefficient</li> <li>Needs a separate medical cell with a negative pressure ventilation system</li> <li>Poor shower design</li> </ul>
Programming  Lack of private space for consultation with families, probation, legal, mental health/sub. abuse treatment  Trauma-informed care  Employment skills training	<ul> <li>Transformation Efforts</li> <li>Current design doesn't align with VADJJ transformation trends</li> <li>Functional obsolescence – current design in direct conflict with trauma informed and evidence-based designs</li> </ul>

#### **Planning Efforts and Associated Costs**



- 2018: Needs Assessment \$116,000
- 2018 to 2020: \$151,000 Purchase Order established for the JDC/Molinari Planning Study – \$74,000 has been liquidated as of February 2020
- The County's Five-Year CIP includes \$3M annually beginning in FY23 (from the general fund) to support debt service financing for juvenile services campus.

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### **Proposed Project Schedule**



- June 2020: submit the Planning Study to DJJ Board for approval and to the BOCS for review
- 2021 General Assembly Session: submit the request for 50% reimbursement of construction costs to the General Assembly
- June 2020 to December 2021: complete design process for BOCS decision and award construction contract
- January 2022 to June 2024: construction process
- July 2024: occupy new facilities

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