JUVENILE DETENTION HOME

DESCRIPTION

Juvenile Detention incarcerates youth who are awaiting court action for committing criminal offenses. Additionally, some youth may be sentenced for up to 30 days after having been found guilty of an offense. This group includes criminal offenders, children in need of supervision including truancy, and certain traffic offenders. The facility averaged 12 youth per day in FY24. Children are offered programs in education, recreation, and optional religious services while they are detained. They also receive psychological screening/evaluation and follow-up as necessary.

OBJECTIVES

- To provide safe care for the youth placed under the supervision of the home.
- To retain certification and licensing through the State Interdepartmental Regulation of Residential Services and the State Department of Juvenile Justice every three years.
- To administer an identifiable, assessable program of detention.
- To provide ongoing staff training and organization development programs.
- To provide, in conjunction with the Henrico County Public Schools, an education program that conforms to the Educational Standards for Residential Care Facilities of the Virginia Department of Education.
- To work within interagency agreements which include Police, Fire, Sheriff, Courts, and Mental Health.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The Juvenile Detention Home's budget for FY26 is \$3,381,598. This amount represents an increase of \$274,435 or 8.8%, from the FY25 approved budget. This increase is driven by increases to the personnel component by \$269,336, or 9.2% for rising salary, healthcare, and employee benefit costs. It also includes an increase of \$5,099, or 2.9% to the operating component to account for rising food costs. State aid for the Juvenile Detention Home in the FY26 budget is estimated to total \$750,000, which accounts for the Juvenile Detention Home's block grant.

ANNUAL FISCAL PLAN SUMMARY

		FY24		FY25		FY26	Change
Description	Actual		Original		Approved		25-26
Personnel	\$	2,986,196	\$	2,928,797	\$	3,198,133	9.2%
Operation		184,539		178,366		183,465	2.9%
Capital				-		-	0.0%
Total	\$	3,170,735	\$	3,107,163	\$	3,381,598	8.8%
Personnel Complement		31		31		31	-

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

	FY24	FY25	FY26	Change 25-26
Workload Measures				
Admissions	668	651	651	-
Secure Detention Days	4,211	5,103	5,103	-
Average Daily Population	12	14	14	-
Average Length of Stay	6	8	8	-

DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Juvenile Detention Home provides protection, safe care, and basic needs and services to juveniles placed in the facility by the courts through statutory regulation. All aspects of service levels in the Detention Home are mandated by the State and will remain unchanged in the upcoming fiscal year. Operational procedures, programs, professional services, and support services are all to stay in compliance with State mandated regulations for licensure. In addition, staff will be provided with ongoing training and development. The personnel complement includes two full-time Mental Health Clinicians who provide mental health assessments and court-ordered evaluations for the Detention Home. In addition to the 31 positions in the agency's personnel complement, five full-time teachers from Henrico County Public Schools are currently assigned to the agency for an eleven-month educational program. These positions are funded by the Virginia Department of Education and their associated costs are included in the Education budget.