



# FY 2017 Carryover Funds:

## Immediate Needs to Support the Opioid Taskforce and Gang Prevention Efforts

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# Background

- FY 2017 carryover funds were appropriated by the BOS on September 12, 2017
- The County Executive's recommendations for the approved FY 2017 carryover funds included:
  - \$500,000 for gang prevention efforts
  - \$2.5 million to address the opioid epidemic
  - \$1.1 million to the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board for treatment services for opioid addiction
    - Carryover funds allocated to the CSB will be used to increase the use of Medication Assisted Treatment and increase the contractual purchase of residential treatment and medical detoxification beds
- **Today's request:** Approval to utilize carryover funds to support initial efforts that are critical to jump start gang prevention efforts and address the opioid crisis

## Background - Continued

- Leadership groups in each area were created to:
  - identify immediate needs, and
  - develop comprehensive multi-year approaches to address issues
- Leadership members include deputy county executives from Health and Human Services and Public Safety, FCPS, agency directors, and program coordinators who provide services and/or prevention activities
- Each leadership group identified immediate funding needs to jumpstart efforts
- Over the next three months, leadership groups will develop multi-year approaches that include specific strategies and associated funding requirements

# Gang Prevention Efforts: Immediate Request

- **Data Analytics Consultation Services - \$75,000**
  - Consulting services will assist in further developing the County's ability to extract and utilize data from disparate sources to prevent and address gang related issues.
- **Intervention, Prevention and Education Positions (IPE) (2 FTE) - \$185,000**
  - The IPE program, operated by Northern Virginia Family Service, is an effective intervention for youth who are at high-risk of gang involvement. Additional investments will add capacity to the program and reduce current waitlists. The IPE program supports existing FCPS efforts.
- **Parent Project /Families Reunite Program - \$16,500**
  - Youth who are reunifying with their families in the U.S. are at significantly higher risk for gang involvement than others. This program helps parents learn and practice prevention and intervention strategies to build positive relationships with teens. Support will close FCPS funding gaps and add an additional implementation of the program.

## Opioid Crisis: Immediate Request

- **Epidemiologist Position (1.0 FTE) - \$160,000**
  - This position will begin to conduct the initial research necessary to make strategic decisions pertaining to prevention, treatment, and enforcement issues as related to the opioid crisis.
- **Data Analytics Consultation Services - \$75,000**
  - Analytics services will assist the County in gathering and analyzing data from public safety and health and human services to address the opioid crisis.

## Future Efforts

As related to both gang prevention and the opioid crisis ...

- Leadership groups are identifying outreach strategies to increase the information available to the community regarding prevention and intervention services.
  - Outreach strategies include developing social media tools to increase awareness of community resources.
- Throughout the fall, the BOS will most likely be asked to approve further uses of appropriated FY17 carryover funds as the work continues on both areas.
- Full strategy and resource plans will be presented to the BOS at the end of calendar year 2017.