



Diversion First Update and Mid-Atlantic Summit on Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Recommendations

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Update on Diversion First

- Diversion First Leadership Group support for pilot projects included in the multi-year budget plan:
 - Co-Responder Model Pilot (originally proposed for FY 2020)
 - Medical Clearance Pilot (originally proposed for FY 2021 and FY 2022)
 - Support for specialty courts and jail services (originally proposed for FY 2020)
- Benefits
 - Pilots will help refine services and determine effectiveness
 - Uses one-time savings to launch in FY 2019, committing baseline funding in FY 2020 to continue initiatives

Response to September 12, 2017 Board Matter: Review of Recommendations from Mid-Atlantic Summit on Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice

- Summit included Fairfax County stakeholders and a presentation by Sheriff Stacey Kincaid
- Nineteen recommendations were developed for action consideration across Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia
- Supervisor Cook's 9/12/17 Board Matter requested staff to review and consider appropriate items for inclusion in the 2018 legislative package
- Program staff also completed a review

Report link: <https://www.equitasproject.org/mid-atlantic-course-corrections-2017/>

Recommendations: Local Progress

- Government Relations reviewed the recommendations and incorporated appropriate items into the 2018 legislative program, which was adopted by the Board.
- Fairfax is on the path to implementing the best practice service delivery recommendations: MCRC, increasing diversion opportunities, co-responder model, housing supports, CIT and, de-escalation training.
- Several recommendations focus on social determinants of health which aligns with county participation in NACo's Advancing Cross System Partnerships Leadership Lab
- Data-sharing and integration recommendations align with efforts now underway
- Equity-focused recommendations have been shared with One Fairfax

