



**City of Virginia Beach  
Department of Human Services  
Community Policy and Management Team  
2023 Annual Report to City Council**

**Chair:** Roni Myers-Daub, Ed.D

**Date:** June 30, 2023

**Executive Summary**

The Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT) was established by the Virginia Beach City Council as mandated by the Office of Children’s Services. The board members are composed of elected officials and designees appointed by the Virginia Beach City Council. CPMT is committed to building and sustaining a System of Care approach to serving children and families in Virginia Beach through financial assistance and service coordination.

In the past fiscal year, the Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT), volunteers and liaisons met eleven (11) times and participated in 1 (one) CPMT Retreat. The Community Policy and Management Team members have worked to compile the FY 2023 Annual Report to City Council covering the period of July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023.

Key events are as follows:

- CPMT members reviewed Children’s Services Act (CSA) financial reports during each full board meeting.
- CPMT members participated in closed session meetings to review cases and authorize funding for recommended services.
- The CSA Policies and By-laws were reviewed, revised, and provided to existing members to ensure accuracy of referenced information pertaining to state and local guidance.
- CPMT members were included in the ability to give feedback related to Virginia Department of Human Services Strategic Plan. CPMT created a strategic plan that directly correlates with the Virginia Department of Human Services strategic plan.
- Educational sessions were conducted to promote ongoing awareness of key programs and initiatives:

Training Topic	Date
Day in the Life of FAPT	July 25, 2022
Mental Health Initiative Funding Plan and Protocol	July 25, 2022
FAPT Participation in Meeting by Virtual Means	October 24, 2022
Remote Participation for Members Policy	October 24, 2022
Virtual Meeting Policy	January 23, 2023

CPMT Retreat	March 27, 2023
OCS – CSA Basics (Module 1)	April 25, 2023

## **Mission Statement**

The Virginia Beach Community Policy and Management Team’s (CPMT) mission is to create a collaborative system of services and funding that is child-centered, family-driven, and community-based when addressing the strengths and needs of at-risk youth and their families in the City of Virginia Beach.

## **Accomplishment of Goals and Objectives**

Over the past fiscal year, the agency, through its appointed volunteers and its Liaisons, worked on the following key matters in furtherance of its mission:

1. The Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) highlights the significance of nurturing children within familial environments. Enacted by the federal government in 2018, the funding and implementation of this act commenced on July 1, 2021. FFPSA expands preventive services for families and aims to minimize the need for separating children from their families and placing them in foster care. As a result, the Virginia Department of Social Services created a clearing house of evidenced based services. Virginia Beach CPMT collaborated with Virginia Department of Social Services and developed policies and practices to ensure youth and families in our community have access to services identified in the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA). CPMT continues to play a major role in ensuring several evidenced based services such as Parent Child Interactive Therapy (PCIT), Multisystemic Therapy (MST), Brief Strategic Therapy, and Motivational Interviewing were made available to our youth and families.
2. The CPMT liaison has been the chair of a team of multi-systemic players to further foster in the development of access to services through the creation of an evidenced based practices resource guide for anyone in our locality to access.
3. CSA enhanced capabilities to share documents, forms, and provider contracts with our stakeholders using informal forums, conferences, and creation of a CSA SharePoint.
4. To ensure funding was secured in efforts to provide delivery of appropriate services for fiscal year 2023. CPMT authorized the use of \$16,068,356 in expenditures of services for 1300 cases that were staffed before the Family Assessment Planning Teams (FAPT).

5. To increase interagency collaboration and family involvement in service delivery and management of youth and families in the City of VA Beach, CPMT has maintained a strong partnership with the Department of Human Services Child and Youth Behavioral Health Division by having oversight of the Mental Health Initiative funds. The Mental Health Initiative (MHI) Fund was established by the General Assembly in FY 2000 to create a dedicated source of funding for mental health and substance abuse services for children and adolescents with serious emotional disturbances (SED) who are not mandated for the Children's Services Act (CSA). Having oversight of the MHI funds has allowed CPMT to address any gaps in those youth and families who are not eligible for CSA funding to have access to services needed.
  
6. The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) recommended that the Office of Children's Services (OCS) should require local CSA programs to measure, collect and report timeliness data to OCS on an annually basis. It was recommended that OCS use this data to identify local CSA programs with relatively long start times for services, provide assistance to programs, and notify Community Policy and Management Teams of their low performance relative to other CSA programs. Virginia Beach CPMT is pleased to share the survey showed on average we are exceeding expected timeliness in delivery of services in comparison with other CSA programs. Thus, are not in need of assistance from the Office of Children's Services.

## **Membership and Attendance**

*See Attached*

## **Budget Report (if applicable)**

*See Attached*

## **Goals and Objectives for the Coming Year**

### **Strategic Pillar 1: Pillar of Potential – Service Integration**

- Strengthen communication and relationships between all stakeholders and CSA to promote and foster a culture of inclusiveness.

## **Strategic Pillar 2: Pillar of Progress – Provide access to services**

- Improve tools needed to obtain services and technological capabilities to convert training guides into an accessible video/media that can be accessed by all stakeholders.

## **Strategic Pillar 3: Pillar of Promise – Communication & Community Engagement**

- Provide outreach to access programming and gaps in services and service implementation to meet the needs of the community.

## **Strategic Pillar 4: Pillar of Enhancement – Talent Acquisition & Development**

- Implement a comprehensive training program that will support ongoing training, recruitment, and retention.

## **Recommendations to City Council**

Continue to provide financial support for the CSA program and continue to appoint Board Members as means to remain in compliance with the state codes § [2.2-5204](#).

## **Closing**

Should you have any questions or require a formal City Council briefing from Community Policy and Management Team, please feel free to contact Roni Myers-Daub, Ed.D, CPMT Chair at [Roni.Myers-Daub@vbschools.com](mailto:Roni.Myers-Daub@vbschools.com) or staff liaison, Dayna Bandy at [DBandy@vbgov.com](mailto:DBandy@vbgov.com)