



Albemarle County & City of Charlottesville Partnerships List

September 17, 2024

HUMAN SERVICE PROJECTS

Community Safety Working Group & Community Safety Implementation Group

These working groups were formed by City Manager Sam Sanders, County Executive Jeff Richardson and UVA President Jim Ryan to review data on regional gun violence and make recommendations to improve community safety.

Staff involved:

Misty Graves – Director of Human Services, Charlottesville
Michael Kochis – Police Chief, Charlottesville
Kaki Dimock – Chief Human Services Officer, Albemarle
Sean Reeves – Police Chief, Albemarle

Regional Opioid Abatement Authority Grants

Albemarle County and City of Charlottesville have collaborated with regional partners to secure funding from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority including:

- Funding for the Crisis Intervention Training & Assessment Center (CITAC) with the county serving as fiscal agent
- Funding for the Community Outreach team with the county serving as fiscal agent
- Funding for the capacity-building for drug courts with the city serving as fiscal agent.

Staff involved;

Ashley Reynolds Marshall – Deputy City Manager for Social Equity, Charlottesville
Kaki Dimock – Chief Human Services Officer, Albemarle

Field Trip to Harrisonburg Homelessness Receiving Center

City & county staff visited Harrisonburg Rockingham County's new homelessness receiving center, which features low-barrier day and overnight services in a purpose-built location, representing a public-private collaboration.

Staff involved:

Ashley Reynolds Marshall – Deputy City Manager for Social Equity, Charlottesville
Misty Graves – Director of Human Services, Charlottesville
Kaki Dimock – Chief Human Services Officer, Albemarle

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Alternative Response Teams

Albemarle County HART team members have worked closely with the new Charlottesville ANCHOR team to share lessons learned and plan for strong ongoing communication and collaboration.

Staff involved:

Ashley Reynolds Marshall – Deputy City Manager for Social Equity, Charlottesville

Misty Graves – Director of Human Services, Charlottesville

Kaki Dimock – Chief Human Services Officer, Albemarle

PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECTS

ACPD/CPD/UVA Regional COMPSTAT

The Albemarle County Police Department continues to collaborate with regional law enforcement partners to discuss community safety and crime trends monthly.

Staff involved:

Sean Reeves- Police Chief, Albemarle County

Michael Kochis- Police Chief, Charlottesville

Tim Longo- Police Chief, UVA

VSP, FBI, U.S. and Commonwealth's Attorney from Albemarle and Charlottesville

ACPD/CPD/UVA Mutual Aid Agreements

Assessment of existing mutual aid agreements to ensure that they are up to date with state and federal laws and reflect the current policies and practices of participating jurisdictions.

Staff involved:

Trevor Henry, Deputy County Executive, Albemarle County

Sean Reeves- Police Chief, Albemarle County

Michael Kochis- Police Chief, Charlottesville

Tim Longo- Police Chief, UVA

ACFR/CFD Mutual Aid Agreement

A Board/Council approved cooperative effort to provide mutual emergency assistance, including firefighting and medical services. Both parties agree to offer support when requested, if resources are available, with no obligation to respond if they are otherwise engaged. The agreement protects both parties from liability and ensures each is responsible for its own personnel and expenses. Regular reviews will assess the fairness of aid distribution, with provisions for amendments as needed.

Staff involved:

Dan Eggleston – Fire Rescue Chief, Albemarle

Michael Thomas – Fire Chief, Charlottesville

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Regional Emergency Management Cooperation

The cooperative arrangement between Albemarle County, Charlottesville, UVA, and ECC emergency management staff focuses on developing common plans, procedures, and enhancing communication to address emergency management issues more effectively. This collaboration is designed to improve coordination during incidents, reduce response times, and enhance overall public safety across the region.

Staff involved:

John Oprandy – Emergency Manager, Albemarle

Jeremy Evans – Emergency Manager, Charlottesville

John DeSilva - Emergency Manager, UVA

Sonny Saxton – ECC Director

LAND USE & MANAGEMENT PROJECTS

Biscuit Run Stream Restoration

Albemarle staff are managing a capital project to restore 6,674 feet of Biscuit Run and two tributaries in the new County park. The project received a grant from the Virginia Stormwater Local Assistance Fund, administered by the Department of Environmental Quality. Albemarle and Charlottesville are splitting the remaining cost of the project and sharing entitlement to the pollution reductions resulting from the project, which will be used by each locality to meet its Virginia mandate to contribute toward the cleanup of Chesapeake Bay.

Staff involved:

Greg Harper – Chief of Environmental Services, Albemarle

Lauren Hildebrand – Director, Utilities, Charlottesville

Dan Frisbe – Water Resources Specialist, Charlottesville

Albemarle/Charlottesville General District Court

On December 17th, 2018, Albemarle and Charlottesville entered into an agreement to construct a co-located General District Court facility, located on a Downtown Charlottesville site purchased by our agencies in 2004. Albemarle is responsible for coordinating the design and construction of the new facility and renovating the attached Levy Building, which will house the Albemarle Commonwealth's Attorney. Charlottesville's General District Court will relocate to the new building once the second phase of the County's courts improvements are complete. Albemarle will be responsible for management of the new facility.

Staff involved:

Steven Hicks, Director of Public Works, Charlottesville

Michael Goddard, Deputy Director of Public Works, Charlottesville

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Kristel Riddervold – Director, Office of Sustainability, Charlottesville

Lance Stewart – Director of Facilities & Environmental Services, Albemarle

Resilient Together

Resilient Together is a collaborative planning and implementation process led by Albemarle County, the City of Charlottesville, and UVA, designed to ensure our community is strong, safe, and healthy – or resilient – in the face of a changing climate.

Staff involved:

Gabe Daley – Climate Protection Program Manager, Albemarle

Greg Harper – Chief of Environmental Services, Albemarle

Kristel Riddervold – Director, Office of Sustainability, Charlottesville

Emily Irvine, Climate Protection Manager, Charlottesville

Sugar Hollow Reservoir Access Management

Sugar Hollow Reservoir (Sugar Hollow) is a 47-acre water supply reservoir serving residents of Charlottesville and residents. The reservoir, located at the confluence of the South Fork and North Fork of the Moormans River, is owned by the City of Charlottesville. The Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority manages the dam and reservoir but is not responsible for managing access to the property by the general public. With support from Charlottesville and RWSA, Albemarle applied for and received a \$1.35 million grant from the federal government's Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) to fund improvements to the property.

Staff involved:

Lance Stewart – Director of Facilities & Environmental Services, Albemarle

Riaan Anthony, Director, Parks & Recreation, Charlottesville

Chris Gensic –Planner, Parks & Recreation, Charlottesville

Management of Co-Owned Properties

Charlottesville and Albemarle co-own several properties which benefit the larger community, including:

- Juvenile Court and its annexes (Albemarle Sheriff's offices, parking deck, Preston-Moris Building, Wheeler Building)
- Levy Building (directly connected to the new General District Court)
- Jessup Building (adjacent to the General District Court)
- Central Library and Gordon Avenue Library
- Health Department
- 7th Street Parking Lot

With the exception of the new General District Court/Levy properties, Charlottesville's Department of Public Works coordinates maintenance and capital improvements of all co-

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owned properties, with financial and planning support from Albemarle’s Facilities & Environmental Services Department.

Staff involved:

Steven Hicks, Director of Public Works, Charlottesville

Lance Stewart – Director of Facilities & Environmental Services, Albemarle

Rivanna Stormwater Education Partnership (RSEP)

Since 2004, Charlottesville and Albemarle have collaborated with other local organizations that are regulated under the Virginia MS4 (municipal separate storm sewer system) Program. The Partnership is dedicated to helping its members collectively achieve the MS4 permit requirements related to education, outreach, and public participation.

Staff involved:

Laurel Williamson – Watershed Stewardship Manager, Albemarle

Lauren Hildebrand – Director, Utilities, Charlottesville

Dan Frisbe – Water Resources Specialist, Charlottesville

Jill Greiner – Water Efficiency Coordinator, Office of Sustainability, Charlottesville

Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee

Staff from the City, the County, and UVA participate in monthly conversations around themes of mutual interest such as land use planning and sustainability. Also at the table are representatives from the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC), the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority, and the UVA Foundation. On a quarterly basis, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) also attends.

Staff involved:

Lance Stewart - Director, Facilities and Environmental Services

Jodie Filardo - Director, Community Development

James Freas – Deputy City Manager for Operations, Charlottesville

Lauren Hildebrand – Director, Utilities, Charlottesville

Steven Hicks – Director, Public Works, Charlottesville

Kellie Brown – Director, Neighborhood Development Services – Charlottesville

Darden Towe Park

Albemarle County and the City of Charlottesville jointly own Darden Towe Park which is a 113-acre park and share the annual operating and Capital Improvement expenditures, with the County serving as the fiscal agent. City Share 30.75%, County Share - 69.25% of FY 25 Operating Budget \$563,710.

Current Capital Projects:

- CIP Towe Park Pickleball Restroom

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- CIP Towe Park ADA Restroom by Pavilion
- CIP Towe Park paved path from Park Entrance to Pickleball Courts
- CIP Towe Park shelter, and concession stand restroom upgrades
- CIP Towe Park Field Rebuild is a phased rebuilding of the existing grass athletic fields over a four-year period, that consists of the installation of a new subgrade drainage system and associated stormwater management.

Staff Involved:

Bob Crickenberger – Director, Parks and Recreation

Amy Smith – Deputy - Director, Parks and Recreation

Riaan Anthony - Director, Parks and Recreation – Charlottesville

Lauren Hildebrand, Director, Utilities -Charlottesville

Steven Hicks, Director, Public Works – Charlottesville

James Freas, Deputy City Manager for Operations – Charlottesville

Kellie Brown, Director, Neighborhood Development Services – Charlottesville

Ivy Creek Natural Area and Historic River View Farm

Albemarle County and the City of Charlottesville jointly own the Ivy Creek Natural Area and Historic River View Farm sharing the annual operating and Capital Improvement expenditures, with the County serving as the fiscal agent.

City Share 50%, County Share 50% of FY 25 Operating Budget \$23,700.

Staff Involved:

Bob Crickenberger – Director, Parks and Recreation

Amy Smith- Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation

Riaan Anthony– Director, Parks and Recreation - Charlottesville

Partner programs/events

- *Adaptive Recreation Program*
- *Xmas tree recycling*
- *Rivanna Conservation Alliance - River Resilience grant for Invasive Species Removal at Darden Towe, Riverview Park, Pen Park*
- *Special Events: Egg Hunt*

Staff Involved:

Bob Crickenberger – Director, Parks and Recreation

Amy Smith - Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation

Caitlin Marcotte – Operations Specialist/Adaptive Manager – Charlottesville

Steve Gains – Urban Forester, Parks & Recreation – Charlottesville

Jonathan Dean – Public Service Manager, Public Works – Charlottesville

Chris Gensic –Planner, Parks & Recreation - Charlottesville

Courtney Ambros – Recreation Program Manager, Parks & Recreation - Charlottesville

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TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Transportation Planning

Albemarle County staff and Charlottesville staff participate on several transportation planning boards and committees, attending meetings with VDOT, TJPDC, the Charlottesville-Albemarle Municipal Planning Organization, and project-specific teams including the Three Notch'd Trail RAISE grant project, the Move Safely Blue Ridge project, and the Barracks Road and Ivy Road Pipeline projects.

Staff involved:

Lance Stewart - Director, Facilities and Environmental Services

Blake Abplanalp - Chief, Facilities Planning & Construction

Jodie Filardo - Director, Community Development

Ben Chambers, Transportation Planning Manager, Neighborhood Development Services, Charlottesville

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Albemarle County and City of Charlottesville frequently collaborate with regional partners to support projects and activities that contribute to our quality of life and grow the local economy. On-going projects with exceptional collaboration include:

- Buy Local campaign to showcase unique City and County businesses (showlocallove.org)
- Piedmont Pitch (with the Central Virginia Small Business Development Center), an entrepreneurial training initiative and pitch competition
- Referrals between the City-County for business retention and expansion (per MOU)
- Joint meeting of the City and County Economic Development Authorities (6/11/24)
- Joint funding of regionally important studies, projects, and services including:
 - GO Virginia:
 - Wine Scale Up Planning Grant (removing barriers to wine industry)
 - Regional Entrepreneurship Initiative study (removing barriers to entrepreneurs)
 - Entrepreneurial ecosystem builders and workforce development partners:
 - Central Virginia Partnership of Economic Development (CVPED)
 - Central Virginia Small Business Development Center (CVSBDC)
 - Charlottesville Business Innovation Council (CBIC)
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Community Investment Collaborative (CIC)
 - CvilleBioHub
 - United Way's ENVISION program
 - Venture Central and 434 Accelerator

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- Virginia Career Works

Staff involved:

Chris Engel, Director of Economic Development, Charlottesville

Emily Kilroy, Interim Director of Economic Development, Albemarle

Matthew Johnson, Assistant Director of Economic Development, Charlottesville,

J.T. Newberry, Deputy Director of Economic Development, Albemarle

Ashley Hernandorena, Business Development Manager, Albemarle

Real Estate Assessment Shared Resource

The Albemarle County and Charlottesville City Assessor's offices share the cost of flyovers for Pictometry, which is a very effective assessment tool consisting of aerial photographs that can be used to identify assessable real estate and make measurements where physical access is not possible. The costs are shared on a pro-rata basis.

Staff involved:

Peter Lynch – Albemarle County Assessor

Jeff Davis – Charlottesville Assessor

Regional Digital Inclusion Initiative

Albemarle County and the City of Charlottesville have collaborated on a digital inclusion coalition to prepare a digital equity plan for addressing barriers to digital access for vulnerable communities. This collaboration has expanded to include Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa and Nelson counties in a planning grant application that will fund an engagement and planning effort across the region. Implementation of this plan will depend on collaboration with community organizations that work across the community and federal funding from the Digital Equity Act and Broadband Equity, Adoption, and Deployment Program.

Staff involved:

Ashley Reynolds Marshall – Deputy City Manager for Social Equity, Charlottesville

Michael Culp – Director of Broadband Accessibility and Affordability Office (BAAO), Albemarle

Jason Inofuentes – Program Manager of BAAO, Albemarle

Paul Rudacille – ADA Coordinator, Neighborhood Development Services, Charlottesville

Morgan Rakes – Deputy Chief of Grants and Agreements, Albemarle

Sponsorship of Loop De'Ville Cheer Station

County and City Communications and Public Engagement Offices are jointly sponsoring a cheer station at the upcoming bicycling event that will showcase the Rivanna Trail –

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amenity that criss-crosses both jurisdictions. The cheer station will spotlight how the County and City collaborate.

Staff involved:

Serena Gruia, Public Engagement Specialist, Albemarle

Afton Schneider, CAPE Director, Charlottesville

Move Safely Blue Ridge

Move Safely Blue Ridge is the region's plan to reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries for all road users through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program.

City/County participation in addition to other jurisdictions, project owner is TJPDC.

Staff involved:

Serena Gruia, Public Engagement Specialist, Albemarle

Ben Chambers, Transportation Planning Manager, Neighborhood Development Services, Charlottesville

Joint Information Releases

CAPE regularly coordinates on joint statements when applicable and maintains ongoing working relationships amongst Communications Departments from the County, City, and UVA. This may include public messaging and alerts for emergency conditions and public safety incidents, as well as proactive messaging for collaborative programs and initiatives by all County and City departments.

Staff involved:

Abbey Stumpf, Interim CAPE Director, Albemarle

Afton Schneider, CAPE Director, Charlottesville

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