

# Collaboration Between the City of Charlottesville and the County of Albemarle

*Working Together on Areas of Mutual Concern*

# Purpose and Objective:

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To provide insight into what collaborative programs are currently in place, and to identify what opportunities will be pursued.

## ➤ Areas of Collaboration:

- Redevelopment and Affordable Housing
- Education
- Multimodal Forms of Transportation
- Environment

# Redevelopment and Affordable Housing

- ▶ Use of Project Based Vouchers (PBV) at The Crossings
- ▶ Regional Agreement for use of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)
- ▶ Support of organizations committed to maintain and expanding affordable housing units
- ▶ Support of the Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless (TJACH)
- ▶ Comprehensive Planning Exercises
- ▶ Collaboration on the Housing Advisory Committee (HAC)

# Opportunities

- ▶ Creation of a Regional HCV consortium, could allow CRHA to focus on public housing site improvements/redevelopment.
- ▶ Creation of a regional housing fund-expansion of the current City Housing Fund.
- ▶ Pursue new non-profit collaborators
  - ▶ Explore a collaborative funding model for the non-profits.
- ▶ Identify a specific number of supported affordable housing units to be developed with joint support.

# Education

## *Career and Technical Education*

- ▶ Charlottesville Albemarle Technical Education Center (CATEC)
- ▶ Investing In Innovation Grant (i3) for \$3.5 million
- ▶ UVA Lab School Partnership
- ▶ Piedmont Futures
- ▶ Tech Tour
- ▶ KidsCollege@PVCC

## *Career and Technical* Opportunities

- ▶ Kids College is intending to partner with CATEC in summer 2017.
- ▶ Piedmont Futures will strengthen existing business-education collaboration.
- ▶ Increased collaboration with libraries in the County to expand career center services beyond the current location in the County's Department of Social Services modeled after the City's center in the JMRL Main Branch downtown.
- ▶ Increased partnership in conducting regional job fairs and in training and placing local residents in jobs available across both jurisdictions, i.e. the current recruitment underway by new business in Fifth Street Station.
- ▶ Expand the successful Charlottesville [Growing Opportunity \(GO\)](#) program into Albemarle County.

# Education

## *Pre-Kindergarten Programs*

- ▶ Charlottesville Albemarle Early Education Task Force
- ▶ Piedmont Regional Education Program
- ▶ Public Education Foundation of Charlottesville-Albemarle (PEF)
- ▶ Home Visiting Collaborative (HVC)
- ▶ Outcome Collaborative
- ▶ Head Start

## *Pre-Kindergarten* Opportunities

- ▶ Develop a shared Pre-K application for Charlottesville, Albemarle, and Head Start.
- ▶ Develop sustainable funding models for Pre-K that maximize philanthropy and grants and that leverage local and state resources.
- ▶ Increase investment in Home Visiting Collaborative (HVC) to assist unserved families.
- ▶ Develop model for the addition of other foci/partners.
- ▶ Develop dashboard reporting of analyzed data for partners, interest groups and community.
- ▶ Head Start will be participating in Virginia Quality to better serve our communities' most vulnerable children.

## *Pre-Kindergarten* Opportunities

- ▶ Bring School Boards into conversation for additional opportunity identification.
- ▶ Support existing recommendations provided in the EEAF report, do not establish competing initiatives.
- ▶ Consider increased support for 0 – 3 year olds.
- ▶ Develop a shared pre-k application for Charlottesville, Albemarle, and Head Start.
- ▶ Initiate pilot to understand family barriers to preschool participation.
- ▶ Increase lobby efforts for state pre-K support.
- ▶ City Council and Board of Supervisors consider adopting joint resolution of support/policy statement emphasizing the critical importance of quality day care to our community.

# Multimodal Forms of Transportation

- ▶ Charlottesville Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-A MPO)
- ▶ Charlottesville Area Transit (CAT)
- ▶ Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC)
- ▶ VDOT Solutions 29 Road Projects
- ▶ Charlottesville-Albemarle regional Transportation Committee (CHART)
- ▶ JAUNT

# Opportunities

- ▶ Exploration of partnership opportunities between CAT, JAUNT, and UTS.
- ▶ Consideration of creation of regional transit services by a combined structure between CAT and JAUNT.
- ▶ Increase efforts toward City/County collaboration specifically in the process of creating the CAT Development Plan.
- ▶ The City, County, and VDOT are currently coordinating on the regional Jefferson Area Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan update being developed by the TJPDC/C-A MPO.
- ▶ City and County staff responsible for bicycle and pedestrian planning have open communication and through regular meetings, including those of the MPO, propose to regularly update each other on issues related to bicycle and pedestrian planning.

# Environment

- ▶ Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (RSWA)
- ▶ Joint Solid Waste Management Plan-TJPDC
- ▶ Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District
- ▶ Rivanna Stormwater Education Partnership
- ▶ Rivanna Conservation Alliance (Stream Watch)
- ▶ Rivanna River Basin Commission
- ▶ Water Quality Compliance (TMDLs)
- ▶ Drinking Water Programs
- ▶ Local Climate Action Planning Process (LCAPP)
- ▶ Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP)
- ▶ Better Business Challenge

# Environment

- ▶ Livability Project
- ▶ 1998 Sustainability Accords
- ▶ Rivanna Environmental Management System Association
- ▶ Green Infrastructure Planning
- ▶ Rivanna River Corridor Plan (aka Rivanna Renaissance Committee)
- ▶ Hazardous Spill Cleanup coordination-Fire/Rescue

# Opportunities

- ▶ Review and re-establish collaboration priorities of 1998 Sustainability Accords.
- ▶ Review 2011 LCAPP Framework for collaboration opportunities.
- ▶ Pursue free technical support to obtain certification as solar-friendly communities (SolSmart Designation).
- ▶ Establish a mechanism for jointly pursuing cost effective water resources capital projects that generate pollutant reduction credits needed by each to meet compliance requirements.
- ▶ Use Joint Solid Waste Management Plan team as mechanism to better coordinate solid waste-related initiatives.

Questions?