

**RESOLUTION FOR SUPPORT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR VIRGINIA OPIOID AUTHORITY  
COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP APPLICATIONS**

WHEREAS, the mission of the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) is to abate and remediate the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth through financial support in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance; and

WHEREAS, the OAA operates a financial assistance program to support certain cooperative partnerships of cities and/or counties in Virginia that implement regional efforts to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids; and

WHEREAS, Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg have committed to work together to develop and jointly submit applications for regional cooperative partnership funding from the OAA for the following projects:

- Enhance and expand the capacity of the regional mental health Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Center (CITAC); and
- Maintain and enhance the regional Crisis Response Unit (CRU) consisting of a certified mental health clinician and a Rockingham County Sheriff's Deputy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County are located within the same region of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Harrisonburg agrees it will execute a legally binding agreement formalizing the cooperating partnership with Rockingham County if the application for financial assistance is approved; and

WHEREAS, the City of Harrisonburg agrees that Rockingham County will serve as the fiscal agent for the cooperative partnership if it is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the City of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County seek a total of \$85,000 for the CITAC project and \$150,000 for the CRU project in cooperative partnership grant funding from the OAA for Fiscal Year 2024.

WHEREAS, the City of Harrisonburg has committed to allocate \$19,632 of its Individual Distribution from the OAA to the CITAC project and \$39,264 of its Individual Distribution from the OAA to the CRU project for Fiscal Year 2024.

WHEREAS, the Rockingham County has committed to allocate \$19,632 of its Direct Distribution to the CITAC project and \$39,264 of its Direct Distribution to the CRU project for Fiscal Year 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Harrisonburg City Council hereby authorizes Rockingham County acting as fiscal agent to execute the cooperative partnership grant application to the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority and to execute all documents in connection therewith.

ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2023.

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Deanna R. Reed, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pam Ulmer, City Clerk