



VIRGINIA FIRST CITIES

COMMUNITY WEALTH  
BUILDING

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# We Are

- 12 of Virginia's older, urban core cities
- Within the HRPDC: Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth
- Coalesce around certain shared characteristics:
  - At-risk education
  - Urban economic re/development
  - Public Safety/Criminal Justice

# VIRGINIA COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING FUND (CWBF)

- A VFC-backed State Budget Amendment
  - Senator Tommy Norment, Senator Emmett Hanger, Senator Frank Ruff, Delegate Chris Peace
- Provides a mechanism for local government to break the cycle of intractable poverty
- Will bring together the vital components necessary for holistic community revitalization
- Education & job training, housing & transportation resources, mentoring, youth summer enrichment programs, prisoner re-entry, childcare and early education and other programs that break the cycle of poverty.

# CWBF

- Will use \$10 million in FY 2018 from federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant funds
- Allocated to qualifying local programs (\$2 million per locality maximum) through a MOU with the State Department of Social Services
- Local match requirement of at least a 25%, including in-kind services.
- Localities will be expected to articulate year-by-year program metrics, people served, & explain how 3-5 year improvement targets connect with longer-run community goals.

# How Can You Help

- Contact Hampton Roads General Assembly Delegation to let them know of your support
- Specifically thank: Senator Tommy Norment (Patron)
- Let the following know of your support for this budget amendment: Del. Chris Jones, Del. Barry Knight, Del. Chris Stolle, Del. Daun Hester, Del. Matthew James, Sen. Louise Lucas, Sen. Frank Wagner