REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE:	April 17, 2019
SUBJECT:	Court Services Facility
PRESENTER:	Amy Brantley, Assistant County Manager
ATTACHMENTS:	No

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

In 2017, Session Law 2017-57 was adopted, which raised the age of juvenile jurisdiction for nonviolent crimes to age 18. Effective Dec. 1, 2019, 16 and 17 year old individuals who commit crimes in North Carolina will no longer automatically be charged in the adult criminal justice system. As a result, three additional positions have been approved for Juvenile Court Services in Judicial District 29B.

NCGS §7a-302 stipulates that "In each county in which a district court has been established, courtrooms, office space for juvenile court counselors and support staff as assigned by the Juvenile Justice Section of the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice of the Department of Public Safety, and related judicial facilities..."

Currently the Court Services facility at 1347 Spartanburg Highway houses: North Carolina Adult Probation and Parole, Community Corrections 29th Judicial District Office, Adult Corrections and Juvenile Justice, Guardian Ad-Litem, and Child Support Enforcement. To accommodate the growth in offices located in the Court Services facility, the Board is requested to discuss possible relocation of the Child Support Enforcement offices from Court Services, into the Human Services Building (DSS).

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to discuss the information presented, and direct staff accordingly.

Suggested Motion(s):

No motion suggested.