

**SOUTHEASTERN CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL
DISABILITIES & SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

DESCRIPTION: Southeastern Center is a non-profit, public agency that serves the residents of Pender, Brunswick and New Hanover Counties. Southeastern Center was established by the respective Boards of County Commissioners and operates under the Area Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, Substance Abuse Authority, known as the Area Board, under North Carolina General Statute 122C-116-120. It is one of thirty-eight (38) area programs licensed and certified through the Division of MH/DD/SAS, North Carolina Department of Human Resources. Southeastern Center provides a comprehensive array of services for children, adults, and families with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse problems. The Center provides prevention, intervention and treatment services that include outpatient day/evening services (individual, family and group therapy), residential services, 24-hour emergency services, crisis stabilization, case management and referral services. During FY 2005-06, SEC will continue the process of transitioning from a service provider to a Local Management Entity (LME).

USE OF COUNTY FUNDS: Funds from Pender County are used to operate the Pender Center, which includes salaries and fringe benefits for staff, and operational costs such as equipment, supplies and utilities in services provided.

SERVICES: The Center makes available to individuals and families with, or at risk of, mental illness, development disabilities and substance abuse issues and their families, the necessary prevention, intervention, treatment services and supports they need to live successfully in our community. It provides services in New Hanover County for Pender County residents, such as developmental disabilities services and detox and crisis station services.

Total FY07-08 County Funding Requested: \$174,070 Total FY07-08 Funding Recommended: \$174,070 Total FY07-08 Agency Budget: \$33,661,471

TOWN OF WALLACE: HENDERSON AIRPORT

DESCRIPTION: After considerable presentation and evaluation, in FY 95-96 the Board provided \$5,000 to the Town of Wallace to assist in securing capital grant funds for Henderson Field (Wallace Airport) improvements. This airport lies within Pender County as well as the corporate limits of the Town. Henderson Field serves Pender County, the Town of Wallace, and southern Duplin County and could play a key role in economic development efforts for Pender County and the Town of Wallace.

USE OF COUNTY FUNDS: The general aviation airport provides a place for hangers and airplanes, adding to the County's tax base. Pender County funds will be used to help maintain and operate the airport, to upgrade facilities, and to fund an airport attendant.

SERVICES: The airport is a small General Aviation facility operated primarily for the benefit of private pilots (both local and transient) and skydiving enthusiasts. The airport also serves as the focal point of local area forestry and timber-related operations conducted by the North Carolina Forestry Service and a number of timber companies (such as International Paper) who operate tree farms in Pender, Onslow, and Duplin Counties. In addition to the recreation and transportation benefits that Henderson Field provides to residents and visitors, during the spring and early summer months, when the potential for uncontrolled fires is greatest, the North Carolina Forestry Service bases spotter planes at the airport and uses the airport as a fueling point for its fire suppression aircraft. The Forestry Service maintains two chemical tanks at Henderson Field to provide flame retardant chemicals used in fighting forest fires. Additionally, timber companies use the airport as a base for seeding operations. In FY 06-07 the runway was extended 4,000 feet, the runway was re-surfaced, and an airport manager was hired. In FY 07-08 a Development Plan is proposed and the airport will continue to receive N.C. DOT Vision Funds for improvement projects.

Total FY07-08 County Funding Requested: \$24,000 Total FY07-08 County Funding Recommended: \$24,000 Total FY07-08 Agency Funding: \$301,609