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At the request of local stakeholders and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Charlotte Behavioral Health Care (CBHC) is seeking funding to establish a comprehensive clinical program to support the newly proposed Charlotte County Veterans Court. This specialized court will function independently, operating in parallel with the county's existing Drug Court and Mental Health Court programs.

The Veteran's Court is designed to address the unique needs of justice-involved veterans by providing a therapeutic, accountability-focused alternative to traditional criminal justice processing. The program will integrate behavioral health treatment, case management, and peer support tailored specifically to veterans who may be struggling with substance use disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), or other service-related mental health challenges.

To deliver these services effectively, the proposed staffing model includes one Full-Time Therapist, one Full-Time Case Manager, and one Part-Time Veteran Peer Support Specialist. These professionals will collaborate closely with court personnel, probation officers, and VA representatives to ensure coordinated care and wraparound support for participants.

The initial capacity of the Veterans Court is projected to serve between 10 and 15 veterans at any given time, with potential for future expansion based on need and outcomes. This initiative represents a critical step toward honoring the service of our veterans by promoting rehabilitation, reducing recidivism, and supporting long-term recovery and reintegration into the community.

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Position	FTE	Salary	Program Costs
Licensed Therapist	1.00	\$ 60,000.00	60,000.00
BA CM	1.00	\$ 42,000.00	42,000.00
Peer	0.50	\$ 37,000.00	18,500.00
Supervisor Time	0.05	\$ 70,000.00	<u>3,500.00</u>
Total Salaries			124,000.00
Taxes			9,486.00
Health Insurance			15,600.00
Retirement			<u>9,495.00</u>
Total Fringe			34,581.00
Total Payroll			158,581.00
Cell Phone			2,160.00
Laptop Package			2,250.00
OH			12,400.00
Total Direct Costs			<u>175,391.00</u>

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