

R18-133
RESOLUTION APPROVING A PILOT AGREEMENT BY AND
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND BOROUGH OF
MERCHANTVILLE FOR PROJECT SAVE REFERRAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, statistics have shown a significant number of municipal court defendants suffer from drug and/or alcohol addiction, which has in large measure contributed to the defendant's commission of non-violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have studied various measures available to respond to the substance abuse crisis and have worked with each of their police departments and municipal court officials to determine the best way to connect defendants suffering with addiction with information and options for assessment and/or treatment; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Parties have determined that a cooperative approach to implement the Project SAVE program, a voluntary substance abuse treatment referral and intervention strategy for municipal court defendants arrested for non-violent crimes, would offer the Parties an effective and efficient means of providing these services; and

WHEREAS, to properly manage and coordinate the Project SAVE program, the Parties have decided to enter into a Pilot Agreement to authorize the County to procure a vendor on behalf of the Municipality for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the costs for the professional services performed pursuant to this Pilot Agreement shall be paid by the County; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Pilot Agreement will be for a period of one (1) year, commencing on or about January 1, 2019 and terminating on December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, this Pilot Agreement is authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, *et seq.* ("Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act") which permits two or more local units to enter into an Agreement for any service which any party to the Agreement is empowered to render within its jurisdiction: and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that their mutual public purposes and their best interests will be promoted by the execution and delivery of a Pilot Agreement pursuant to the powers conferred by the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Resolutions adopted on October 18, 2018, by the County, and on October 8, 2018, by the Municipality, the Parties respectively authorized preparation and execution of the attached Pilot Agreement by and between the parties;

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

EDWARD F. BRENNAN
MAYOR

DENISE L. BROUSE
BOROUGH CLERK

I certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council
of the Borough of Merchantville on October 8, 2018.

Denise Brouse, Borough Clerk

October 8, 2018.