



STATE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS

**BOARD POLICY NUMBER: 30-8**

SUBJECT: Community Facilities for Offenders

DATE: June 1, 2013

30-8.1 **POLICY** The Board of Corrections recognizes the need for, and supports the establishment of programs, services and residential and non-residential facilities for offenders nearing institutional release or placed on parole or probation as a part of the corrections' program. For this purpose, the Board authorizes the Director of Corrections to establish a statewide community-based system for state-responsible offenders convicted of felonies and sentenced to alternative forms of punishment, and those state responsible offenders who the Director has determined, after a period of incarceration in a state or local correctional facility, require less secure confinement or a lower level of supervision.

In order to promote program safety, security and effectiveness, the Board shall establish minimum standards governing the operation of residential facilities, and shall prescribe guidelines for the transfer of offenders from a state or local correctional facility who the Director has determined should be placed in programs or facilities authorized under Code of Virginia §53.1-67.6.

At least 90 days prior to (i) the issuance of a request for proposal for construction, (ii) the execution of a contract for the purchase of improved or unimproved land, or (iii) the execution or renewal of a lease agreement, notice shall be given by the Director to the chairman of the board of supervisors or mayor of the county, city, or town in which the facility is to be located. Such notice shall also be given to each adjacent land owner. In addition, if the local governing body in the jurisdiction where the facility is to be located so requests, the Department shall hold a public hearing in that jurisdiction.

30-8.2 **AUTHORITY** Code of Virginia, Sections

53.1-5, Powers and Duties of Board

53.1-177, Authority of Director; establishment of halfway houses; employment of personnel

53.1-178, Board to establish standards

53.1-67.3 through 53.1-67.6 Establishment of system; Authority of Director; Board to prescribe standards; Minimum programs

30-8.3 **REFERENCES**

Joint Board Policy 1-1 (Board of Corrections and Parole Board)

30-8.4 **IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES**

6 VAC 15-70-10 et seq., Community Residential Programs

Community Corrections Operating Procedure 8 – Special Programs

Operating Procedure 940.1 Community Residential Programs

Operating Procedure 920.8 Intensive Supervision Program

Operating Procedure 940.4 Community Cor. Facilities & Youthful Offender

30-8.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE** June 1, 2013

30-8.6 **SUPERSESSION** This policy supersedes Board Policy 30-8, dated July 16, 2003.

30-8.7 **REVIEW DATE** This policy must be reviewed and updated as necessary.

*Adopted by the Board of Corrections on May 15, 2013.*

*Signature Copy on File*

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