# HAMPTON VETERAN'S DOCKET FACT SHEET

#### What is a Veteran's Docket?

Veteran's dockets are specialized programs used as alternatives to incarceration for veteran offenders. These programs offer veterans the opportunity to enter mental health and/or drug treatment with court supervision rather than being incarcerated. The intensive program addresses the specialized unmet needs of the veteran. It requires participants to enroll and actively participate in treatment, take on responsibilities, and work towards lifestyle changes. Under the supervision and authority of the court, their progress is monitored. Ultimately, veteran's dockets reduce crime and affect real, positive change in people's lives.

### Who is Eligible?

- Male and female veterans living in Hampton or Newport News
- Have a pending felony charge in Hampton Circuit Court or are violating probation due to drug use or an exacerbation of mental health symptoms
- Diagnosed with a mental health and/or substance use disorder
- Have no gang involvement and no violent offense convictions within the past 10 years
- No pending PWID, Distribution of a controlled substance, or violent offense

### How Can I Get In the Program?

Contact the Veteran's Coordinator at 757-224-2378.

## What are the Benefits of the Program?

- GET OUT OF JAIL
- Treatment for your mental health and/or drug/alcohol addiction
- Case management to link you to needed resources
- Assistance in gaining employment or vocational training