



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve this Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC020 to recognize funds in the amount of \$100,000 from NC DHHS Division of Public Health’s Local and Community Support Section.

Background/Justification

The North Carolina General Statute§ 130A-1.1(b) states: a local health department shall ensure that the following 10 Essential Public Health Services are available and accessible to the population in each county served by the local health department:

Assessment

1. Monitor health status to identify community health problems.
2. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community.

Policy Development

3. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
4. Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.
5. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.

Assurance

6. Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.
8. Assure a competent public health and personal health care workforce.
9. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services.
10. Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

These funds may be used for any public health program or purpose, any locally identified need or current health status indicator, and to support the delivery of the core functions of public health and 10 Essential Public Health Services. The Local Health Department must report at the end of the fiscal year how the funds were spent related to the 10 Essential Public Health Services and core public health functions to address priority health needs or health status indicators selected by each local health department. Use of these funds may NOT supplant current state, federal or local funding.

To qualify for these funds, the Local Health Department must have a Permanent or Interim Health Director per NC GS§ 130A-40. In addition, if that Health Director has never served in that role in North Carolina previously, that Health Director must participate in the Orientation for New Local Health Directors coordinated by the North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors. Additionally, the Local Health Department must be currently accredited by the North Carolina Local Health Department Accreditation Board.

Policy Impact

The recognition of these funds are in line with current Board policy and do not require an exception.



Procurement Background

Not Applicable

Fiscal Impact

Recognizing these revenues for the current fiscal year will enable staff to fill critical gaps in Public Health Infrastructure Foundational Capabilities to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; promote a diverse workforce who are representative of, and have language competence for, the communities served; and/or train the public health workforce.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board approve this Budget Ordinance No. 25BCC020 to recognize funds in the amount of \$100,000 from NC DHHS Division of Public Health's Local and Community Support Section.