



### **Agenda Action Form Overview**

The Board is requested to approve Durham Center for Senior Life’s request to realign \$14,223 HCCBG funding from Adult Day Health, and \$31,099 from Adult Day Care to cover costs for transportation services.

### **Background/Justification**

The Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) is a funding source for a variety of approved and covered services. The Durham Center for Senior Life Center is a recipient of these funds to assist them in delivering an array of services, including Adult Day Care, Adult Day Health, Information/Options Counseling, Senior Center Operations, Transportation, and Congregate Nutrition.

Durham Center for Senior Life is asking to realign these funds to assist in covering costs associated with their transportation program that assist clients in attending congregate meal sites. The current transit rate is \$45.71 per hour per client and the amount allocated within the HCCBG grant covers only \$15 of this rate. The Durham Center for Senior Life is asking to realign \$45,000 of the grant to the transportation service area to provide more funding to cover the costs of transportation. An additional \$322 is being transferred to the Congregate Meal Service. This request has been reviewed by Mary Warren with the Triangle J Council of Government according to the Durham County for Senior Life. Due to the level of realignment being at least 5%, the Board of Commissioners must review and approve the request.

### **Policy Impact**

As the Lead Agency for Home and Community Block Grant, the agency organizes the HCCBG Advisory Committee that authorizes funding to the various agencies for services, pending approval of the Board of Commissioners. Agencies are given flexibility to realign dollars to help meet needs as identified, pending approval of the Triangle J Council of Government and Board of Commissioners if the realignment is 5% or greater. Therefore, it is consistent for agencies to review and determine best use of the dollars for the approved services.

### **Procurement Background**

HCCBG funds are allocated to the Triangle J Council of Government and are allocated to agencies that apply and provide the applicable services. The Lead Agency (DSS) coordinates the efforts of the Advisory Committee.

### **Fiscal Impact**

There is no fiscal impact for the proposed action as the request realigns existing allocated dollars.

### **Recommendation**

The Department recommends approval of the Durham Center for Senior Life’s request as it is realigning allocated dollars to help address cost issues within the transportation service. The Center is investigating alternatives to transportation that may be more cost-effective to ensure the vital service of transportation for clients to and from the congregate meal sites can continue as this service supports Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All.

