Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve this Budget Ordinance Amendment to recognize funds in the amount of \$51,563 from the Governor's Crime Commission.

Background/Justification

This funding allows Public Health to continue funding the existing 1 FTE for Project BUILD and 1 contract FTE for Bull City United. Project BUILD is a multi-disciplinary gang prevention and intervention program that provides coordinated case management and services to youth and young adults between the ages of 12 and 24 who are at high risk of gang involvement. Project BUILD's street outreach workers work one-on-one with young people to model pro-social behavior, provide behavior coaching, support positive decision-making, encourage education and employment success, and support involvement in pro-social activities.

Bull City United works to stop shootings and killings in specific Durham neighborhood using a public health model with three primary strategies:

- Detecting and interrupting conflicts.
- Identifying and treating individuals at high risk of involvement in violence.
- Changing social norms that tolerate violence in the community.

Public Health previously received a total grant award of \$196,323.74. Funding was expected to end September 30, 2018 but an extension was granted for March 30, 2019. The extension will require \$51,563 to be added to this fiscal.

Policy Impact

This action is consistent with past actions and does not require any exceptions or new additions to Board policy.

Procurement Background

Not applicable

Fiscal Impact

This grant allows Durham County to address the gang violence and violent crime by supporting additional staff on two programs.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve this Budget Ordinance Amendment to recognize funds in the amount of \$51,563 from the Governor's Crime Commission.