



Legislation Text

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Item:

Budget Ordinance Amendment 20BCC00008 for Durham County’s FY2020 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funding Plan and the Department of Social Services to Recognize Additional HCCBG Funds in the Amount of \$115,624 which includes the required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$74,174. The local match will be funded with a fund balance appropriation

Date of BOCC Meeting: September 9, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to approve The Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding Plan. The Home and Community Care Block Care Grant (HCCBG), as authorized in G.S. 143B-181.1 (a) (11), is designed to improve the planning and coordination of in-home and community-based services provided to North Carolina’s older adults. It is also intended to promote the visibility of aging programs at the local level by giving counties increased flexibility with respect to funding aging services available through the Block Grant. The majority of funding comprising the HCCBG is authorized by the federal Older Americans Act. There are federal mandates and priorities established by the Older Americans Act. However, the legislation provides for state and local discretion in the funding of particular services and programs.

The Board is also requested to approve the Department of Social Services request to recognize additional Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funds subsequent to adoption of the FY2019-2020 Budget. The Department (DSS) and the Durham Center for Senior Life (DCSL) are co-lead agencies for receiving the HCCBG funds and administering the programs. The goal of services provided under this grant is to enable recipients to stay at home longer; receiving the care and services they need in their own homes, thus reducing the necessity for out of home placement. Services provided are Adult Day Care Services, Congregate Meals, Senior Center Operations, Information and Case Assistance, Transportation, Home Delivered Meals and In-Home Aide Services.

Counties are advised to base HCCBG services planning on current year funding levels when preparing the new fiscal year budget because the HCCBG Funding Plan is not approved by the BOCC until June or later. Therefore, DSS FY2019-20 Adopted Budget was \$673,568 which was FY2018-2019 initial funding. The Department recognizes \$115,624 which is the difference between the FY2018-19 adopted budget and the FY2019-2020 approved funding plan and \$10,012 which is the difference in the funding plan and the department’s budget for a total increase of \$115,624, which includes a county contribution of \$74,174 which will be funded by fund balance appropriation.

<u>HCCBG</u>	<u>Initial Allocation</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Allocation</u>
Durham Center for Senior Life	\$764,836	\$30,123	\$794,959
Durham Co. Dept. Of Social Services	\$673,568	\$115,624	\$789,192*
TOTAL HCCBG ALLOCATION	\$1,438,404	\$145,747	\$1,584,151

*DCo DSS Local match of \$74,174 included

<u>HCCBG</u>	<u>DSS Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>DSS Revised Budget</u>
DSS-Expense	\$673,568	\$115,624	\$789,192
DSS-Revenue	\$609,406	\$105,612	\$715,018
Fund Bal App	\$64,162	\$10,012	\$74,174

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All which decrease the health disparities within the community.

Resource Persons: Joan Pelletier, Chair, Durham Partnership for Seniors; Judy Kinney, Executive Director, Durham Center for Senior Life; and Janeen Gordon, Assistant Director for Aging and Adult Services, Durham County Department of Social Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Budget Ordinance Amendment 20BCC00008 to recognize the additional Home and Community Care Block Grant Funds in the amount of \$115,624 for the Department of Social Services which includes the required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$74,174. The local match will be funded with a fund balance appropriation.

County Manager: _____