

Legislation Text

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<u>ITEM:</u> Authorize the Transfer of \$101,000.00 to Made in Durham for its Youth Initiative Program

DATE OF BOCC MEETING: March 9, 2015

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION:

The Board is requested to authorize the transfer of \$101,000.00 in program funding to Made in Durham to support its youth initiative program.

Made in Durham is a public-private partnership committed to ensuring all Durham youth and young adults complete a postsecondary credential and begin a rewarding career by the age of 25. Partners are committed to helping youth and young adults, ages 14-24 navigate through education and into work - an education-to-career system.

Working with community partners, Made in Durham intends to create a system where every young person:

- Completes a high school degree or equivalency
- Engages in work experiences that will prepare them for a career
- Enters postsecondary education and completes a credential
- Secures living-wage work

On May 21, 2014, Made in Durham requested support of its program during a joint meeting of the Durham City Council, Durham Public Schools Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners. On February 2, 2015, Made in Durham provided an update to the BOCC on activities and progress since its May 21st presentation. The BOCC appropriated \$101,000.00 in funding for this program when it approved the FY14-15 budget.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: This presentation aligns with Goal 1: Community and Family Prosperity and Enrichment with goals to provide access to educational, vocational and economic opportunities and to empower citizens to select strategies that improve their quality of life.

<u>RESOURCE PERSONS</u>: Wendell Davis, County Manager

<u>COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the transfer of \$101,000.00 to Made in Durham to support its youth initiative program.

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