

Durham County

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Item:

Recognition of the Recent Graduating Cohort of Bull City YouthBuild

Date of BOCC Meeting: February 25, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to recognize and congratulate the recent graduating cohort of Bull City YouthBuild.

YouthBuild is a drop-out recovery program designed to give youth ages 16-24 the opportunity to earn their high school equivalency and become highly employable through hands-on construction skills experience. The mission of Bull City YouthBuild is to cultivate community leaders by providing inclusive and creative pathways for young adults to build the educational and job skills needed to be a positive force for change. Our students with the partnership with NC State University wrote a book entitled "Strong and Unbroken." It's comprised of poems, stories, reflections and more. Bull City YouthBuild's Cohort 2 Students averaged 650 hours of instruction per student. The Average attendance rate of 80%, 26 students received OSHA certificates, 93% of students made at least one Educational Functioning Level gain, 81% of students made at least two Educational Functioning Level gains and 21 graduated the program.

<u>Alignment with Strategic Plan:</u> This item aligns with Goal 1: Community Empowerment and Enrichment <u>Resource Persons:</u> Wendy Jacobs, Chair, Board of County Commissioners and Corey Rawlinson, YouthBuild Program Director

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board recognize and congratulate the recent graduating cohort of Bull City YouthBuild.

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