



Legislation Text

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Item:

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 20BCC000004 - Recognize Durham County Library Grant Revenue: "LSTA Practicing Inclusivity"

Date of BOCC Meeting: August 12, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 20BCC000004 to recognize \$106,062 in grant revenue from the State Library of North Carolina. Durham County Library has been awarded a second year of funding to continue implementing *Practicing Inclusivity: Establishing a Multi-Sensory Environment, Inclusive Playroom, and Mobile Adaptive Technology and Sensory Units for Transformation Main*.

Practicing Inclusivity provides programs, services, resources, and spaces for all members of the community, with special emphasis on individuals with special needs. The goal of *Practicing Inclusivity* is to focus on individuals with special needs, including, but not limited to: autism, developmental delays, emotional disabilities, hearing impairments, intellectual disabilities, orthopedic impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech and/or language impairments, traumatic brain injuries, vision impairments, and other health impairments. The Multi-Sensory Environment, Inclusive Playroom, and Mobile Adaptive Technology and Sensory Units at the renovated Main Library will allow for Durham County Library to expand and improve services, spaces, and programs for individuals with special needs.

This grant is made possible by funding from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (IMLS grant number LS-00-19-0034-19).

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This aligns with Strategic Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient, and Visionary Government, Customer Engagement and Responsiveness.

Resource Persons: Tammy Baggett, Library Director; Faith Burns, Project Co-Manager and Interim Manager of Main Library; and Sarah Alverson, Project Co-Manager and Community Engagement Administrator.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 20BCC000004 to recognize \$106,062 in grant revenue from the State Library of North Carolina.

County Manager: _____