



Legislation Text

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Item:

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000012 Appropriate \$100,000 of General Fund COVID Reserve to support COVID positive families experiencing food insecurity.

Date Of BOCC Meeting: August 10, 2020

Request For Board Action:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000012 to appropriate \$100,000 of General Fund COVID reserve to support Public Health's feeding efforts for COVID positive food insecure families. Per NC G.S. 130A, Public Health is required to provide supplies for individuals in isolation as a result of communicable disease.

Public Health currently provides food and supplies to COVID positive food insecure individuals at a cost of \$35 per week. We are averaging 300 food insecure COVID individuals per month for an average total of \$10,500 per month. As a result of increased COVID infection rate in the Latinx and Hispanic populations, the cost of telephone translation services to arrange for food and supply delivery is \$1,000 per month. Lastly, mileage averages \$7 round trip per household at \$2,100 per month.

An appropriation of \$100,000 to feed COVID positive food insecure residents of Durham County would last seven months, or through February 2021 at current infection rates.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

Resource Persons: Rod Jenkins, Public Health Director; Michelle Easterling, Deputy Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approved Budget Ordinance Amendment No, 21BCC000012 to appropriate \$100,000 of General Fund COVID Reserve to support COVID positive families experiencing food insecurity.

County Manager: _____