

Legislation Text

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Item:

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000037 to Recognize FY 2020-21 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funds in the amount of \$2,901, which includes the required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$66, 609. The local match will be funded with existing budgeted funds.

Date of BOCC Meeting: September 28, 2020

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 subsequently to adoption of the FY2020-2021 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, DS's FY2020-21 Adopted Budget was \$663,173 which was FY2019-2020 initial funding. HCCBG then finalized their funding level for FY 2020-21 at \$666,074, which increases the initial budget by \$2,901. The additional funding from HCCBGF is \$2,610 requiring the County to match the amount with \$291 of County funds. This \$291 will be provided using an existing funds transfer bringing the total county match to \$66,609.

HCCBG	Initial Allocation	Increase/Decrease	Revised Allocation
Durham Center for Senior Life	\$690,241	\$3,020	\$693,261
Durham Co. Dept. Of Social Services	\$663,173	\$2,901	\$666,074*
TOTAL HCCBG ALLOCATION	\$1,353,414	\$5,921	\$1,359,336

*DCo DSS Local match of \$66,609 included

<u>HCCBG</u>	DSS Adopted Budget	Increase/Decrease	DSS Revised Budget
		Expense	
DSS	\$663,173	\$2,901	\$666,074
		Revenue	
From HCCBG in DSS	\$596,855	\$2,610	\$599,465
DCo Fund Bal App	\$66,318	\$0	\$66,318
DCo Exist Funds Trans	s \$0	\$291	\$291
Total Revenue	\$663,173	\$2,901	\$666,074

<u>Alignment with Strategic Plan:</u> Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All which decrease health disparities within the community and Goal 3: Safe and Secure Community to improve outcomes for vulnerable, children, youth, and adults.

<u>Resource Persons</u>: Joan Pellettier, Chair, Durham Partnership for Seniors; Seanyea Rains, Executive Director, Durham Center for Senior Life; and Janeen Gordon, Assistant Director for Aging and Adult Services, Durham County Department of Social Services.

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000037 to recognize FY 2020-21 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HVVBG) Funds in the Among of \$2,901, which includes the required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$66,609. The local match will be funded with existing budget funds.

County Manager: