

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: March 16, 2010

**Action Requested:** Increase Breast and Cervical Cancer program budget by \$10,104 to reflect additional federal funding.

Breast Cancer is the sixth leading cause of death for women and the second leading cause of cancer deaths for women in the United States. Cervical cancer was once the leading cause of death for women in the United States. In the past 50 years, incidence and mortality rates have fallen significantly in the U.S. due to the use of Pap tests.

The North Carolina Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program began in 1992 and continues to provide services to underserved North Carolina women. The only program of its kind, money is received through a competitive grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The program promotes effective screening strategies for breast and cervical cancer to reduce incidence and mortality.

The additional funding will be used for an outreach media campaign to enroll women into the program for early detection and prevention.

NCGS Requiring Service: N/A

NCGS requires we PROVIDE:

or ENSURE AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY:

Alternative Service Delivery Methods considered and evaluated:

Funds/Staff requested: There are no county funds or staff requested.

Request submitted by: Jim Holland for Gibbie Harris

Date Submitted: February 18, 2010