

# Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Budget Amendment for Non-Emergency Medicaid Transportation Services (Buncombe County Health & Human Services – Social Services)	
<b>MEETING DATE:</b> February 16, 2016	
<b>REQUESTED BY:</b> Jennifer Chilton for Amanda Stone	
<b>Background information</b>  To allocate additional Medicaid Transportation Funding for mandated transportation needs for Medicaid recipients to medically necessary appointments. The Federal Medicaid program requires counties to provide payment for medically appropriate and necessary transportation services to assure Medicaid recipients have access to the medical care necessary for medical treatment. The county contracts for these services to be provided. The funds provided for this type of transportation service are reimbursed 100% by the federal and state government.	
<b>Pro's</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Removes barriers for vulnerable citizens to access medical care</li></ul>	<b>Con's</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>None</li></ul>
<b>Funds required in current budget:</b>  100% Federal Funding	
<b>Funds required in future budgets:</b>  None	
<b>Alternatives</b> .n/a	
<b>Action recommended:</b>  Allocate additional funding for non-emergency Medicaid Transportation in the amount of \$300,000. No additional County funding is required.	