



## Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

### Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 12/7/2020

#### Consent

**Department:**

Budget

**Presenter(s):**

Jennifer Barnette, Budget

**Contact(s):**

Stoney Blevins, Health and Human Services

Jennifer Barnette, Budget

**Subject:**

CARES funding for APS/CPS

**Brief Summary:**

The General Assembly passed Session Law 2020-4, the 2020 COVID-19 Recovery Act, which appropriated federal CARES Act funding allocated to county DSS agencies to support additional Adult Protective Services/Child Protective Services. The amount requested in this budget amendment (\$59,696) must be spent by 12/30/2020. HHS DSS will utilize the funding to provide for two additional temporary workers in CPS through the existing SPARC contract, along with the acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies, including sanitizing products, face shields, and other personal protective equipment for adult and child protection services and COVID-19 public health precautions. Purchase of office supplies such as Pro-talkers, headsets, equipment, software and other mobile tools to improve telework capabilities and enable remote work.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:**

Approve budget amendment

**County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:**

County Manager recommends as presented