

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 1/5/2021

New Business

Department: Presenter(s):

Health and Human Services Jennifer Barnette, Budget

Phillip Hardin, HHS - Economic Services

Contact(s): Phillip Hardin, HHS - Economic Services

Subject: Budget Amendment for Grant Award for CDBG-CV (Community

Development Block Grant – Coronavirus)

Brief Summary:

Buncombe County has been awarded \$900,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the NC CDBG Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Program.

The North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Economic Development Division is administering the Coronavirus-specific program which was awarded to the State by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist local governments to prepare, prevent, or respond to the health and economic impacts of COVID-19.

Buncombe County Health and Human Services will administer this grant program to distribute housing assistance payments for residents of Buncombe County. This assistance can include emergency rent/mortgage and utility payments on behalf of individuals who have experienced income loss as a result of COVID and rent/mortgage payments focused on eviction/foreclosure prevention.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

Approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:

County Manager recommends as presented