



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 2/1/2022

Presentations

Department: Justice Services

Presenter(s):

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Subject: Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team (DVFRT) Findings

Brief Summary:

In North Carolina, Domestic Violence Fatality Review Teams (DVFRT) are defined by the NC General Assembly in Session Laws 2009-52 and 2013-70. In June of 2018, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution creating a Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team in Buncombe County and Buncombe County was granted authority to implement a DVFRT on by Session Law 2018-116. The County's first DVFRT reviewed the first case in January of 2020. This is the presentation provides a timeline of the domestic violence fatality review, findings, and recommendations for system change and improvement of that first case.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: For presentation only

County Manager's comments and Recommendation: County Manager acknowledgement of DVFRT work.