Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 3/1/2022

New Business

Department: Budget
Presenter(s): John Hudson, Budget
Stoney Blevins, HHS Director

Contact(s): Stacie Saunders, Public Health Director
Lisa White, HHS Business Officer

Subject: Communicable Disease and Infection Prevention Mobile Team

Brief Summary:
Buncombe County received notice of additional funding approved in the state fiscal year 21-22 of $628,114 to support communicable disease programs and to expand communicable disease surveillance, detection, control, and prevention activities. The funding is effective for county fiscal year 2022 through fiscal year 2023. In FY2022, BOC approval was provided for the purchase of a mobile unit for Public Health. The Public Health Director is requesting that this funding be used to start a new team: Communicable Disease and Infection Prevention Mobile Team (CDIP), to staff that unit. This team would include six (6) time limited positions, including (1) Public Health Nurse Supervisor I, (2) Public Health Nurse II, (2) Emergency Management Specialists, (1) Administrative Support Associate IV.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:
Approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:
County Manager recommends as presented