



## Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

### Request for Board Action

**Meeting Date: 8/16/2022**

#### County Manager's Report

**Department:** County Manager's Office

**Presenter(s):** DK Wesley, Assistant County Manager

**Contact(s):** DK Wesley, Assistant County Manager

**Subject:** Introduction of Lead for NC Fellow – Mylon Patton

#### Brief Summary:

Lead For North Carolina (LFNC) is a state affiliate of Lead for America, a nonpartisan fellowship program across the United States. Lead for America was launched in 2018, and LFNC is its first state affiliate program. The School of Government has partnered with key organizations, including the NC County Managers Association (NCCCMA), NC League of Municipalities (NCLM), and NC Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) to implement LFNC.

Buncombe County was selected as one of Lead for North Carolina's host jurisdictions for the 2022-2023 program year. The pool was competitive. Over 60 government entities across the state put forward competitive applications, but the selection team believed Buncombe County would provide an exceptional experience for an AmeriCorps Fellow. County staff was afforded the opportunity to interview several candidates. As a result of this process, Mylon Patton was selected and agreed to complete his year of service in Buncombe County.

Mylon is a native of Charlotte, North Carolina and a recent graduate the University of Chicago with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Economics, Prospective Minors in Human Rights and History.

Mylon started his year of service with us on August 1st. Mylon is assigned to the County Manager's Office. Mylon will have at least three active workplans during this year. To start, Mylon will focus on the following projects:

- Homelessness Solutions – Policy and program research and planning
- Racial Equity Action Plan – Community Engagement Planning & Reparations
- Countywide Apprentice / Internship Program – Research and program development

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:**

No action recommended

**County Manager's comments and Recommendation:**

Not applicable