



## **Buncombe County Board of Commissioners**

### **Request for Board Action**

**Meeting Date: 1/17/2023**

#### **Presentations**

**Department:** Justice Services

**Presenter(s):** Paulina Mendez, Rebecca Smith, Kelda Harrison

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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.