

Item Title: Appropriation of Emergency Funds for Hurricane Helene Response

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners appropriates \$100,000 of General Fund fund balance and the corresponding expenditures budget in Non-Departmental for the costs associated with Wake County's assistance to the response for Hurricane Helene.

Item Summary:

Purpose: In accordance with the North Carolina Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, the Board of Commissioners must approve all amendments that adjust the budget of a fund, including the appropriation of fund balance.

Background: The County is responsible for several functions during emergency events, including but not limited to public health and safety, emergency response, communications, and community recovery. Normal operating budgets may not be able to support the expenses for these functions. The County has been tasked with aiding the response to Hurricane Helene in the western part of the State. A budget appropriation provides adequate funding until it is determined the costs are eligible for reimbursement through federal and/or state response programs.

These additional funds will cover the costs of lodging, necessary equipment and supplies, and other expenses associated with the County's assistance to the Hurricane Helene response.

Strategic Plan: This action supports the County's Safer Community Together goal of providing an appropriate and timely emergency response.

Fiscal Impact: This item appropriates \$100,000 of General Fund fund balance and the corresponding expenditure budget toward expenses associated with the County's preparation and response to Hurricane Helene'. The County will track all expenditures incurred and seek reimbursement from federal and/or state response programs, if available and applicable.

Additional Information:

None.

Attachments:

1. Presentation
2. Budget Memo – FY2025 General Government