

Item Title: Accept and Appropriate One-Time Funds from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services for Public Health COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Activities

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates an additional allocation of \$2,156,722 of revenues and expenditures into the Grants and Donations Fund from the NC DHHS to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity and other preparedness and response activities.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners must approve all additional revenues added to the FY 2021 Adopted Ordinance.

Background: The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Communicable Disease Branch, is making an allocation of these Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhancing Detection funds. The funds are available to all local health departments through the COVID-19 Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities. Most of the funding will be used to cover staffing expenses. The service period reimbursable through this award is from January 20, 2020 through May 31, 2021.

Board Goal: This action supports routine County operations related to COVID response.

Fiscal Impact: This agreement provides an additional \$2,156,722 in the Grants and Donations Fund – Human Services Department for project participation. There is no matching funds requirement.

Additional Information:

Activities through this Agreement Addendum shall address the following allowable activities:

- Enhance Laboratory, Surveillance, Informatics, and other Workforce Capacity
- Strengthen Community Laboratory Testing
- Advance Electronic Data Exchange at Public Health Labs
- Improve Surveillance and Reporting of Electronic Health Data
- Use Laboratory Data to Enhance Investigation, Response and Prevention

- Coordinate and Engage with Partners

Wake County Human Services, Division of Public Health intends to allocate these funds as follows:

Budget Category	Amount
Salary and Benefits	191,797
Time Limited Positions	1,248,768
Contractual Services	353,722
Medical Supplies and Other Operating Costs	362,435
Total	\$2,156,722

Attachments:

1. Award Letter
2. Budget Memo