



## Legislation Text

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### **Title:**

**Health Department Positions - Resilience in Communities After Stress and Trauma (ReCAST) Grant**

### **Summary**

#### **ACTION:**

- 1. Approve the creation of 1.0 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Project Director, 1.0 FTE Program Coordinator, 1.0 FTE Quality and Training Specialist, and 1.0 FTE Administrative Assistant**
- 2. Recognize, receive, and appropriate an additional \$25,000 in Federal funds from the Substance Abuse Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) to support technical assistance**

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**Presentation:** No

#### **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

The Board of County Commissioners approved the grant application and the recognition, receipt and appropriation of these funds at its meeting of May 2, 2017.

Although the County was not awarded the Substance Abuse Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) grant in the initial round, Mecklenburg County was selected and notified in September 2018 as part of a subsequent round of funding. The award totals \$4,981,376 over the 5-year period of October 2018 - September 2022. An additional award for year one of the grant of \$25,000 has been received for technical assistance. The total 5-year award is \$5,006,376.

With the grant funding, Public Health will work with community partners to increase community resilience, improve behavioral health, empower residents and reduce trauma. Increased coordination of existing efforts and resources will lead to sustained community change that addresses racial and ethnic disparities.

The action would authorize program positions to implement the activities authorized under the grant. These new positions are required in order to administer this funded program and

**all 4.0 FTEs will be 100% funded by the SAMHSA grant. Specific activities will be contracted with community partners. No matching county funds are required.**

**PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:**

**N/A**

**POLICY IMPACT:**

**N/A**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase of \$25,000 in Federal funds and associated expenditures in fund G001**