



Legislation Text

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Title:

Grant Application - Older Refugee Assistance Program (Park and Recreation)

Summary

ACTION:

1. Approve an application for up to \$75,000 for a Refugee Assistance - Services to Older Refugees Program grant from the Division of Social Services of the NC Department of Health and Human Services
2. If awarded, recognize, receive and appropriate such funds for the grant period

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Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

The Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department is requesting approval to apply for and receive, if awarded, a Refugee Assistance- Services to Older Refugees Program grant up to \$75,000. The grant awards will be distributed in FY2020 and will be used to continue the existing Older Refugee Assistance Program offered in the Shamrock Senior Center within the Methodist Home Recreation Center. No match is required for these funds. Applications for the grant must be submitted to the Division of Social Services of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services by June 30, 2019.

The Older Refugee Program supports senior refugees/asylees to access English language training at the Shamrock Senior Center. The grant provides funding for transportation services, translation/interpretation services and classroom supplies. Shamrock Senior Center staff also provides information and referral services to assure the seniors have access to medical, financial, housing, family support, and family support services.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase in General Fund grant revenue and related expenses up to \$75,000 in FY2020