



Guilford County

301 West Market Street
Greensboro, NC 27402

Work Session - Final

Board of Commissioners - Work Session

Friday, July 29, 2022

9:00 AM

Carolyn Q. Coleman Conference Room
1st Floor, Old County Courthouse

I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Melvin "Skip" Alston

II. UPDATE ON AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING IDEAS

A. [2022-414](#) ARPA FIRST-PASS RECOMMENDATIONS AND UPDATE

Sponsors: Tiffany Oliva

Attachments: [ARPA RFI First Pass July 23 2022 \(2\)](#)

B. [2022-421](#) UPDATE ON INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY

Sponsors: Jason Jones

C. [2022-413](#) INCREASING THE AVAILABILITY OF FOSTER FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

Background: During the July 14 work session, the Board asked staff to further investigate investing in the Children's Home Society's (CHS) ARPA RFI submission to "Increase the Availability of Foster Families for Children in Need." CHS has requested up to \$350,000 over two years. If funded, CHS will be able to recruit, train, and license foster families to meet the needs of children referred by Guilford County's Department of Social Services. To meet current demands, CHS must add 150 licensed foster families in our County.

Requested Action: To authorize the use of ARPA funding to enter into a sub-award agreement with Children's Home Society, and approve any necessary budget transfers.

Sponsors: Tiffany Oliva (Matt Anderson, VP Business Development & Advocacy, Children's Home Society)

Attachments: [CHS Guilford County Foster Care](#)

D. [2022-422](#) FJC/DSS PROTECTIVE SERVICES TEAM

Background: In previous work sessions, the Board asked staff to further investigate establishing a unique Department of Social Services (DSS) team that is designed specifically for the FJC to meet the complex challenges of vulnerable families living in Guilford County. Together, the FJC/DSS departments have requested \$1,772,220 through 2026 to hire eight (8) staff members in the areas of Child Protective Services and Adult Protective services for Greensboro and High Point.

Requested Action: Approve the addition of eight (8) positions for a dedicated FJS/DSS Protective Services Team to be funded from ARPA funding.

Sponsors: Catherine Johnson and Sharon Barlow

Attachments: [Specialized DSS FJC Team Final](#)

E. [2022-420](#) UPDATE ON "EXPANDING SCHOOL-BASED TELEHEALTH TO ADVANCE HEALTH EQUITY FOR CHILDREN IN GUILFORD COUNTY"

Background: During previous work sessions, the Board asked staff to investigate telemedicine in schools. An ARPA RFI submission from Cone Health was received, "Expanding School-Based Telehealth to Advance Health Equity for Children in Guilford County." Further investigation must be conducted regarding the cost breakdown per school. However, the total requested funding amount for the project is a total of \$2,196,006 over three (3) years. In this presentation, Cone Health will provide a project overview and anticipated impact of the program. Further, Guilford County Schools and Cone Health have executed an agreement to undergo the project (see attached).

Sponsors: Tiffany Oliva (Chelsea Nooner, Project Manager and Michelle Schneider, VP & Chief Philanthropy Officer - Cone Health)

Attachments: [Partnership for Title I Schools - 07-27-2022](#)
[MOU for GAHEC](#)

- F. [2022-423](#) EMT/PARAMEDIC ACADEMY EXPANSION AND FIRE ACADEMY LAUNCH
- Background:** Over the course of several work sessions, the Board has asked staff to investigate an investment of \$1,525,000 total (through 2026) to expand the EMT/Paramedic Academy and launch a Fire Academy (\$400,000 for EMT/Paramedic Academy expansion and \$1,125,000 for the launch of a Fire Academy). These academies will enable emergency services to attract and retain staff in critical service areas.
- Requested Action:** Approve the use of ARPA funding to expand the EMT/Paramedic Academy and launch the Fire Academy, and authorize all necessary budget transfers.
- Sponsors:** Erris Dunston
- G. [2022-424](#) FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM
- Background:** Cooperative Extension has submitted an ARPA RFI proposal to develop a county-wide plan and program for Food Security: coordinating data sharing and communication to align resources. The potential program has also received commitments of support, if funded by the County, from community organizations -- both in funding and programmatically. The funding amount requested is \$885,000 through 2026.
- Requested Action:** Authorize the use of ARPA funding for the Food Security Program, and approve all necessary budget transfers.
- Sponsors:** Heather Schaffer
- H. [2022-419](#) UPDATE ON RECOVERY HOUSING & RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS (MOTHER CARE)
- Background:** In previous work sessions, the Board asked staff to further investigate investing in Recovery Housing & Residential Programs in the priority area of Behavioral Health & Substance Use. We received a submission for "Mother Care" from Caring Services with a particular model to address this priority area. Caring Services has requested \$2.7 million through 2026. Caring Services will provide a presentation with information regarding the service provision model, associated costs, and anticipated impact for consideration.
- Sponsors:** Tiffany Oliva (Becky Yates, Executive Director and Teresa Hinkle, Clinical Director - Caring Services)
- Attachments:** [Mother Care Grant Proposal Presentation](#)

I. [2022-425](#) ARPA DISCUSSION

Sponsors: Tiffany Oliva

III. OTHER BUSINESS

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