GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST (BCR)		
то:	Dr. Kim S. Eagle, County Manager	
FROM:	CSS Community Support Services	
	Dept. Code Department Name	•
	Gregory Grier 12/27/2023	]
	Department Director Date	
REQUEST TYPE:	Line-Item Transfer Within Department & Fund Project Transfer Within Department & Fund Line-Item Transfer Between Departments  *Requires resolution by the Bo	riation of Funds*
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION As it appears in Munis Ex. Employee Training	ACCOUNT NUMBER  Fund-Dept-Div-SubDiv-Prog-SubProg-Future-Obj-Proj  XXXX-XXX-XXX-XXXXX-XXXXXX-XXXXX-XXXX-XXXX	AMOUNT** Whole dollars only Ex. (\$5,000) Ex. \$5,000
Opioid Settlement Other Services	2055-NDP-000-00000-FBApro-0000000-0000-99-490000- 2055-EMS-000-00000-PERSSS-Stratg3-0000-05-530015-	\$ (6,396.00) \$ 6,396.00
	Check cell- Amounts must sum to \$0	
** Decreases in expenditures and increases in rev between funds require inter-fund transfer accoun JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:	enue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures and decreases in revenue do not require brackets ts.	. Please note that transfers
Gaston County joined the State in the N	ational Opioid Settlement. This Board Action appropriates \$52,328.64 of our allotments amount of \$6.396.00 which will expand hours for the certified peer support specialist	
oervices, and setup tear I budget in the	: amount of 30.350.00 willen will expand hours for the certified beer support specialist	services iii adstali

Gaston County joined the State in the National Opioid Settlement. This Board Action appropriates \$52,328.64 of our allotment for Recovery Support Services, and setup Year 1 budget in the amount of \$6,396.00 which will expand hours for the certified peer support specialist services in Gaston Emergency Medical Services, who has a contract with Olive Branch Ministry. Currently, GEMS deploys peer support specialists twenty-four hours a week. They respond to opioid-related calls with the on-duty community paramedic and can offer support to individuals in real-time. Additionally, they provide ongoing support to individuals who are enrolled in the medication-assisted treatment bridge program and follow up with individuals who refuse treatment and care following an overdose. Additional funds will allow peer support specialists to be deployed thirty-six hours a week. Expanding the hours will increase effectiveness of existing initiatives and contribute to the overall well-being of individuals affected by opioid use disorders.