



Gaston County

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DHHS - Social Services Division Board Action

File #: 22-013

Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Emergency Rental Assistance Funds from the US Department of Treasury in the Amount of \$8,431,125

STAFF CONTACT

Angela Karchmer - Social Services Director - 704-862-7930

BUDGET IMPACT

Appropriate Federal revenues. No additional County funds.

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

Increase Federal revenues by \$8,431,125 and appropriate \$8,431,125 into Special Programs account.

BACKGROUND

The Department of US Treasury made available additional funds for the Emergency Rental Assistance program to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grantees use the funds to provide assistance to eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs. At least 80 percent of awarded funds must be used for direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing. Remaining funds are available for housing stability services, including case management and other services intended to keep households stably housed, and administrative costs. Funds expire on December 31, 2022.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR)

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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2022-020	01/25/2022	BH	AF	A	A	A	AB	AB	AB	A	U

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GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST

TO: Dr. Kim S. Eagle COUNTY MANAGER

FROM: 4790 DHHS-Social Services
 Dept. # Department Name

Angela Karchmer 1/6/2022
 Department Director's Name Date

TYPE OF REQUEST:

☐ Line Item Transfer Within Department & Fund

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Funds *

☐ Project Transfer Within Department & Fund

☒ Additional Appropriation of Funds *

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Departments*

* Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION (As it appears in the budget)	ACCOUNT NUMBER Fund - Function - Dept - Division - Object - Project xxx - xx - xxxx - xxxx - xxxxx - xxxxxx	AMOUNT Whole Dollars Only (See Note Below)
Emergency Rental Assistance Grant 3	020-05-4790-0000-420000-22544	(8,431,125)
Salaries: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510001-22544	100,000
FICA: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510100-22544	10,000
Retirement: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510101-22544	10,000
Health Insurance: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510103-22544	10,000
Unemployment Ins: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510104-22544	10,000
Dental Ins: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510108-22544	5,000
Life ins: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-510109-22544	5,000
Temporary Help Services: ERA 3	020-05-4790-0000-530013-22544	693,112
Emergency Rent Asst 3: Direct Payments	020-05-4790-0000-560000-22544	7,588,013

JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:

The Department of US Treasury made available through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds for a second allocation for the Emergency Rental Assistance 1 program to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grantees use the funds to provide assistance to eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs. At least 80 percent of awarded funds must be used for direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing. Remaining funds are available for administrative costs and housing stability services. Funds expire on December 31, 2022.

Note: Decreases in expenditures & increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures & decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require interfund transfer accounts.