

# **Gaston County**

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## **Board Action Report**

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Commissioner Worley - Budget & Management Services - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Governor's Crime Commission Grant Funds for the Gaston/Lincoln Sexual Assault Program Implemented by Phoenix Counseling Center (\$333,344 - No County Funds)

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#### **BUDGET IMPACT**

Appropriate Federal pass-through funds. No additional County funds.

#### **BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT**

N/A

#### **BACKGROUND**

Phoenix Counseling Center is the implementing agency for the only sexual assault program in Gaston and Lincoln Counties. The program provides the following core services to victims of sexual assault: hotline and crisis services; transportation assistance; referral to shelter services; medical and court advocacy; referral to legal advocacy; individual counseling; support group services; and community education. Program personnel will identify victims of sexual assault, determine victims' needs through crisis assessment, collaborate with community partners to address victims' individual needs, and work towards improving both physical and emotional health outcomes for these adults and children. Gaston County will serve as the fiscal agent for the program.

### **POLICY IMPACT**

N/A

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Budget Change Request (BCR)