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TITLE
INTERLOCAL WITH THE CITY OF GREENSBORO FOR SUPPORT TEAM ASSISTED RESPONSE (STAR) PROGRAM

SPONSOR
Jim Albright

BACKGROUND
Through the NC General Assembly budget, the City of Greensboro, along with Charlotte and Greenville received funding for a medical component of their behavioral health response unit. The program was funded effective April 1, 2022 for a period of one (1) year. The Greensboro Police Department has approached Guilford County Emergency Services about providing a community paramedic to their Behavioral Health Response Team (BHRT) to be embedded with the police and civilian counselors. The focus of this initiative is to provide linkage to care for clients that demonstrate high public safety demand, and provide a medical conscience for them in their social environment. This program will be evaluated by an independent contract with UNCG Bryan School of Business and Economics faculty members. The cost of providing this service will be reimbursed by the City of Greensboro on a quarterly basis, per the terms of the agreement, as well as initial funding for program equipment.

The program is being modeled after the STAR program in Denver, CO. (https://mhcd.org/star-program/)

BUDGET IMPACT
Reimbursable contract based on expenditure.

NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED

REQUESTED ACTION

Approve an interlocal agreement with the City of Greensboro on behalf of its Police Department, in substantial form, for Guilford County to provide a community paramedic to the state funded Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) demonstration program.