

Guilford County



Legislation Text

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TITLE

USDA LOCAL FOODS PROMOTIONAL GRANT

SPONSOR

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BACKGROUND

This project supports the development of local food entrepreneurs and provides them with connections to local producers; enables local growers to create value-added food products; provides a model for working with a neighborhood to increase the consumption of local produce; and provides data that monitors program results and reveals a clearer picture of local eating and shopping habits.

The City of Greensboro is working with multiple partners on this project including Guilford County, The Greensboro Farmers Market (GFM), The Out of the Garden Project, and UNCG. The Guilford County Cooperative Extension Office (GCCE) will provide training in food safety for those using a newly created Low Risk Shared Use Kitchen and new GAP certification standards. The Greensboro Farmers Market (GFM) will offer space at their market for new entrepreneurs and provide assistance with marketing and business planning. The Out of the Garden Project will use their community kitchen for food education programming and to support new food businesses. UNCG will conduct a survey that will pilot test a community-based food security instrument and evaluate project implementation.

There is **NO COUNTY FUNDING REQUIRED** to carry this grant forward from last fiscal year.

BUDGET IMPACT

Budget Ordinance Amendment

General Fund

\$40,000 Increase in Federal/State Revenue

\$40,000 Increase in Appropriation to Cooperative Extension Service

NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS REQUIRED

REQUESTED ACTION

Approve an increase in Federal/State revenues by \$40,000 and increase the FY 2017-18

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Cooperative Extension Service budget by the same amount to reflect the carry forward of the USDA Local Foods Promotional Grant.