



# Chatham County, NC

## Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to approve \$34,144.48 in revenue from the federal SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) ARPA fund to be used as additional support for administration of the Chatham County Food and Nutrition Program.

Action Requested: Vote on a request to approve \$34,144.48 of Food and Nutrition Services funds to assist with administering the SNAP program.

**Introduction & Background:** At the end of Federal Fiscal Year 2022 (September 30, 2022), NC DHHS received an additional \$15,443,247.61 in ARPA funding to assist State agencies in carrying out legislative provisions and administering the SNAP program. Chatham County's portion of that, based on the number of recipients, was an additional \$34,144.48. Among other things, USDA recommended using this unique opportunity to invest in technology to improve client access to SNAP and to make investments in employees to improve customer service.

**Discussion & Analysis:** If approved by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners, Chatham County DSS plans to hire additional temporary staff and is evaluating the use of a self-service kiosk in the waiting area that would shorten wait time and assist in checking in clients.

How does this relate to the Comprehensive Plan: N/A

Budgetary Impact: No Local Funding Requested.

Recommendation: Vote on a request to approve \$34,144.48 of federal funds for the Food and Nutrition Program at DSS.