



Chatham County, NC

Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to approve recommended changes to Emergency Housing Fund Guidelines for FY23

Action Requested: Approve recommended changes

Introduction & Background:

The emergency housing fund was created in 2019 in order to provide flexible funding awards to community partners and emergency housing related service providers to offer services to Chatham community members at risk of homelessness or experiencing homelessness.

Discussion & Analysis:

Since its inception, the EHF or Emergency Housing Fund has served over 125 persons and has provided funds for a range of stabilization services from emergency hotel stays, emergency transportation, as well as rental assistance, and foreclosure prevention. The funds are disbursed to approved vendors and departments mentioned in the updated policy document, not directly to individuals experiencing crisis. All vendors receiving funds are required to submit a report and supporting receipts for any and all funds spent. The following updates are being made to the policy:

- Addition of approved vendors and departments
- Addition of a general email for requests in order to streamline process
- Addition of examples of activities that are eligible under the EHF guidelines

How does this relate to the Comprehensive Plan:

Goal 9 - Provide equitable access to high quality education, housing, and community options for all.

Budgetary Impact: None

Recommendation:

Approve recommended changes.