



Chatham County, NC

Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to accept \$3,000 grant from NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Action Requested: Vote on a request to accept \$3,000 grant from NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Introduction & Background: The Chatham County Public Health Department, in partnership with TIC-NC, has been awarded \$3,000 from the Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund to distribute tick kits to outdoor workers, including migrant workers.

Discussion & Analysis: The Chatham County Public Health Department and the Tick-borne Infections Council of North Carolina, Inc are partnering to conduct a pilot intervention to help keep outdoor workers safer from tick bites and tick-borne infections. This initiative will focus on agriculture and other outdoor workers including migrant workers in Chatham County and other nearby counties. Team leaders, field bosses, and first aid workers will be supplied with teaching materials, kits with materials for safe removal of biting ticks, and printed material about tick safety and symptoms of disease in Spanish for workers.

How does this relate to the Comprehensive Plan: This relates directly to the Comprehensive Plan goal to "Foster a Healthy Community." Tick-borne illnesses have a significant impact on the Chatham community, and this intervention will help to address this issue among a population at higher risk that often has poorer access to resources.

Budgetary Impact: None

Recommendation: Vote on a request to accept \$3,000 grant from NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.