

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 6, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 9

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE CARES ACT PROVIDER RELIEF FUND (EMERGENCY SERVICES)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The Emergency Services Department has received \$229,757.98 from the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund. These funds were distributed to Emergency Services through a \$50 billion general distribution of revenue based on a proportional share of 2018 net patient revenue and is designed to provide relief to providers, who bill Medicare fee-for-services, with at least 2% of the provider's net patient revenue regardless of the provider's payment mix.

Funds will only be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, and shall only be used for health care related expenses or lost revenues that are attributable to coronavirus. Emergency Services would like to use these funds to purchase four Lucas devices (approximately \$19,125 each) which perform chest compressions during cardiac arrest. These devices are recommended by the Center for Disease Control to keep providers out of an area where they may be exposed to aerosols/droplets that expose providers to COVID-19.

In addition to the Lucas devices, Emergency Services proposes to use the remaining dollars on additional medical supplies to lessen the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: August 06, 2020
COUNTY MANAGER

