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### Legislative Update

This week, the House will continue releasing its 2019-2021 budget proposal with an approved vote anticipated by May 3. Early key points of the budget related to our legislative agenda include funding for state Raise the Age implementation, use of TANF funds to support early childhood education and funding for state Medicaid transformation implementation. After the full budget proposal is released, County staff will provide information on the potential impact to the County.

LUESA staff are continuing to work with the NC Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) on [House Bill 675 – Building Code Regulatory Reform](#), which affects local government authority over construction permitting. The original two-day timeline has been extended and County flexibility related to issuing temporary certificates of occupancy is preserved.

Last week, [House Bill 971- Modern Licensure Model for Alcohol Control](#) was introduced. This bill would privatize state control over the distribution and retail sale of spirituous liquor. The bill sponsor maintains that the bill is revenue neutral for counties due to licensing and excise taxes imposed by the legislation. Both the County and NCACC support maintaining County authority and revenue streams associated with the current ABC system.

Commissioners are reminded to [RSVP](#) for County Assembly Day on May 8. We look forward to meeting with our state legislative delegation members. If you have questions, contact [Starla Tanner](#), Legislative Affairs Liaison, at 980-314-2884.

### Fiscal Year 2020 Recommended Budget to be Presented Thursday

I will present my Fiscal Year 2020 Recommended Budget to the [Board of County Commissioners](#) on Thursday, May 2 at 11 a.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center. Members of the media and the public are invited to attend.

The presentation will be streamed live on [MeckNC.gov](#) and broadcast on the Government Channel. Updates will also be available on [Twitter](#).

Following the presentation, the Recommended Budget will be posted on the [County's website](#).

### Budget Public Hearing Set for May 9

The [Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners](#) will hold a public hearing to receive input on the Fiscal Year 2020 Recommended Budget on Thursday, May 9 at 6 p.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 E. Fourth St., Charlotte.

Residents interested in speaking are asked to sign up [online](#) or by phone at 980-314-2870 now through May 6.

Residents can learn more about the public hearing and the registration process [here](#).

If you have questions, please contact [Janice Paige](#), Clerk to the Board, at 980-314-2912.

### **Mecklenburg County Receives National Budget Award**

Congratulations to our [Office of Management and Budget](#) (OMB) on receiving another Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The award was given by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for FY2018-2019. This year marks the 27th consecutive year that OMB has received this honor.

To qualify for the budget award, the division had to meet nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. Those guidelines help GFOA assess how well an entity's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communication tool. Production of this year's 500-page Budget Book was an exhaustive team effort that took several months to complete.

In 2018, the County also received the GFOA Award for Excellence for exemplary use of GFOA's Best Practice of Budget Monitoring and Reporting Process.

The FY18-19 Budget Book can be downloaded [here](#).

For more information, contact County Budget Director [Mike Bryant](#) at 980-314-2925.

### **Community Support Services Partners with Safe Alliance to Honor Volunteers**

More than 40 Mecklenburg County Domestic Violence Speakers Bureau (DVSB) members and volunteers were honored during a volunteer appreciation event held at the Valerie C. Woodard Center's Conference Center. The event was co-hosted by [Mecklenburg County Community Support Services](#) (CSS) and Safe Alliance.

CSS hosted tours of their new work space during the Hollywood-themed event and Safe Alliance's domestic violence shelter chef prepared light refreshments. Volunteers were invited to drop in as a way of saying "thank you" for giving their time and sharing their stories of survival.

The DVSB is a community partnership between Community Support Services, Prevention and Intervention Services, and Safe Alliance. The goal is to reach more of the community by sharing resources and eliminating duplicate efforts.

For more information, please contact CSS Prevention and Intervention Division Director [Elyse Hamilton-Childres](#) at 980-314-8940.

#### **CALENDAR REMINDERS**

- Tuesday, April 30, 1:30-2:30 p.m. – BOCC Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting, CMGC 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room
- Thursday, May 2, 11 a.m. – County Manager's FY2020 Recommended Budget Presentation, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Tuesday, May 7, 3:30-5 p.m. – BOCC Economic Development Committee Meeting, CMGC 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room
- Tuesday, May 7, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH-14
- Tuesday, May 7, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Thursday, May 9, 2 p.m. BOCC Special Meeting to receive a presentation from CMS on its FY2020 funding request, CMGC Room 267
- Thursday, May 9, 6 p.m. – BOCC Budget Public Hearing, CMGC Meeting Chamber

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