

# City of Greensboro

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## **Legislation Text**

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Ordinance Amending State, Federal, and Other Grants Fund Budget for the Appropriation of FY 2016 Fair Housing Training Program Grant Funds

Department: Human Relations Council District: City-wide

Public Hearing: N/A

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#### **PURPOSE**:

The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate grant funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$38,250 to fund salary, training costs for the Fair Housing Assistance Program and partnership funds to enhance fair housing education and outreach. A budget ordinance needs to be approved by the City Council to permit the expenditure of funds.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The City has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between HUD and the Human Relations Department designating the department as a Fair Housing Assistance Program. Human Relations receives federal monies for cases that are required to be investigated under the City's Fair Housing Ordinance. The Human Relations Department is awarded payment in the amount of \$38,250 for fiscal year (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016). The award amount is applied towards salary expenses for the Fair Housing investigator, staff professional development training and education and outreach.

The department receives a recurring grant annually from HUD based on the number of fair housing cases investigated the previous fiscal year. An agreement with the City of Greensboro and federal government, related to its receipt of fair housing federal grant funds requires the City to affirmatively further fair housing. The City's Fair Housing Ordinance and its Fair Housing Assistance Program are two of the ways that Greensboro meets this commitment. A portion of the money (\$16,250) is to be used for staff professional development.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

This grant, in the amount of \$38,250 represents federal funding for fair housing services provided by the City and does not require any additional City funding. The grant will be appropriated to the FY2016 Fair Housing Training Program Grant Fund.

### **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is requested and recommended that the City Council adopt the attached budget ordinance amending the Fair Housing Assistance Program grant funding (FHAP grant number FF204K164013) in the amount of \$38,250 in

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support of the City's Fair Housing Assistance Program.