



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2024 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate the FY23 Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of Emergency Medical Services

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

The Code of Virginia § 46.2-694(A)(13) requires that an additional fee of \$4.25 per year be charged and collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles at the time of registration of each pickup or panel truck and each motor vehicle, as further described by statute. Four dollars (\$4.00) of that fee is paid into the state treasury and is set aside in a special fund to be used only for emergency medical purposes. Those funds are commonly referred to as the "Four-for-Life Aid to Localities" funds. The Comptroller is required to return 26% of the registration fees collected to the locality wherein such vehicle is registered to provide funding for training of volunteer or salaried emergency medical service personnel of licensed, nonprofit emergency medical services agencies; or for the purchase of necessary equipment and supplies for licensed, nonprofit emergency medical service agencies. The statute further prescribes that such funds shall be in addition to any local appropriations and local governing bodies shall not use these funds to supplant local funds. The City must report to the Commonwealth annually on the use of funds allocated for the previous year and provide a completed Report of Expenditures form.

The Four-For-Life Aid to Localities Funds is not a grant and requires no local match. The funds are not required to be used within an allotted time period and may roll over from year to year if necessary. These funds help the Division of Fire & Rescue to serve all citizens of and visitors to the City of Hampton.

Discussion:

The allocation of funds will help support the needs of the Hampton Division of Fire & Rescue.

Impact:

The allocation is for \$116,955.28 and there is no match required. The funds will be appropriated to the Grant Fund for accounting and reporting purposes.

Recommendation:

Approve.

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of Emergency Medical Services has allocated to the City of Hampton, Virginia (the "City") the FY21 Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds in the amount of \$116,955.28 in state funding;

WHEREAS, the Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds allocation requires no local match;

WHEREAS, the Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds, which total \$116,955.28 will be used by

the Division of Fire & Rescue to support its needs; and

WHEREAS, there is no allotted time period for use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia hereby amends its Fiscal Year 2024 Council Approved Budget to accept and appropriate the FY23 Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds in the amount of \$116,955.28, and any supplemental funding, awarded by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of Emergency Medical Services to the Grant Fund for the purpose of supporting the needs of the Division of Fire & Rescue in accordance with the disbursement agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to take any and all actions necessary to implement the allocation of funds.