

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	October 17, 2022
Action Required:	Approve resolution (Appropriation)
Presenter:	Sue Moffett, Director
Staff Contacts:	Mary Jane Skidmore Laura Morris
Title:	Appropriating Funding from the Virginia Department of Social Services for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education & Training Program (SNAP E&T) Laptop Loaner Program - \$15,400 (2nd reading)

Background

The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) has provided funding to interested localities to establish a laptop loaner program for clients participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education & Training (SNAP E&T) Program.

The Charlottesville Department of Social Services has received \$15,400 from this funding.

Discussion

The purpose of the SNAP E&T program is to ensure that participants achieve a living wage and attain economic independence. The laptop loaner program will give participants who do not have computers the opportunity to access education and training through virtual/online platforms. The department plans to purchase 20 laptops with this funding.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

Approval of this agenda item aligns with the City's mission to provide services that promote equity and an excellent quality of life in our community. It is consistent with Strategic Plan Goal 1: An Inclusive Community of Self-Sufficient Residents and Objective 1.2, prepare residents for the workforce and Objective 1.4, enhance the financial health of residents.

Community Engagement

Program staff will work directly with SNAP E&T participants.

Budgetary Impact

The Virginia Department of Social Services is providing 100% of the funding with no local, general fund match required.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of these funds.

Recommended Motion: "I move the RESOLUTION appropriating funding in the amount of \$15,400, received from VDSS for the SNAP and E&T Loaner Program"

Alternatives

Funds that are not appropriated will need to be returned to the Virginia Department of Social Services. If funds are not appropriated, the department will be unable to provide laptops to SNAP E&T participants.

Attachments

1. SNAP E&T Laptop Loaner Program Resolution