

Stimulus Summary – Durham County – June 30th, 2009

The County continues to find out more each day about how much money will be available for what purposes as well as what the conditions of applying for / receiving that money are. The County Manager's Office has been working closely with department heads as well as the City to make sure the County seeks (and secures) as much federal funding as possible for eligible projects. Below is a chart showing what funds the County, the City, and other local agencies have been awarded or are seeking.

This listing does not include all programs that may affect Durham residents, as some will be implemented directly through the state (e.g. increased unemployment benefits), applied for directly by home-owners or non-profits (e.g. weatherization grants), accrue directly to taxpayers (e.g. tax breaks), or that are available primarily to businesses. It is also a very general summary of the provisions affecting Durham. More information is available through the County Manager's Office – please call 560-0065 if you are seeking more detail.

An excellent and more detailed summary of the various federal stimulus elements (though it does not include NC specific or Durham-specific amounts) can be found at <http://www.ncsl.org/statefed/2009economicstimulus.htm> .

A document with more of the detailed North Carolina information has been produced by Senator Kay Hagan's office and is available on request.

One further, commonly overlooked aspect of the stimulus funding is that much of the aid is spread out through December 2010. Some is spread out even further.

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General Category	Specific Category	Amt. County Should Receive	Amt. City of Durham Should Receive	Additional Info.
Social Services and other Public Assistance Programs				
	Medicaid, foster care, and adoption services through 12/31/2010	Formula	N/A	Temporary additional federal matching funds. Medicaid savings to County in FY08-09 estimated at \$1.2m
	TANF	Formula	N/A	Policy changes and increased funding.
	Aid for Community Health Centers	\$1,998,731	N/A	Lincoln Comm. Health Ctr. has received \$697,961 to improve operations and \$1,300,770 to renovate / create new exam rooms.
	WIC, food stamps, School Lunch, TEFAP and senior nutrition programs	Formula	N/A	Increased benefits. Food stamp benefits increase 13% for avg. family. DSS also received \$78,470 this fiscal year to help with Food and Nutrition Services Administration and expects another allocation next fiscal year.
	Child Care Development Block Grant	Formula	N/A	Additional assistance to help low-income families pay for child care. Implemented by County DSS.
	Community Services Block Grant	See additional info.	See additional info.	Operation Breakthrough, as a community action agency, will be receiving <u>\$825,512</u> in additional funding through the state HHS dept.
	Emergency Food and Shelter Grants	See additional info.	See additional info.	Stimulus funding added <u>\$75,563</u> to the \$155,927 initially received and distributed by a local board. Local allocations to be made mid-May.

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Education				
	Durham Public Schools	Mix of formulas and grants	N/A	Money available to DPS through the state and federal governments in a wide variety of areas (some formula-driven / some competitive). Many have non-supplant rules, however, and DPS is still expecting a significant net decrease in state funding this year. The state education budget is still up in the air.
	Student Financial Assistance	N/A	N/A	Increased Pell grant and work study aid at all institutions of higher learning.
Law and Justice				
	Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)	\$397,000	\$397,000	The City and County plan to use these funds for warrant control, the CodeRED reverse-911 system, and the assistant district attorney for domestic violence.
	COPS	N/A	N/A	Sheriff's Office has submitted an application seeking <u>\$831,538</u> to keep up to 18 sworn officers employed (many of them SROs) who otherwise might have been laid off in FY09-10. The County should know at the latest by Sept.30 th what COPS funding we have received. The City is also applying for COPS support.

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Workforce Development				
	Workforce Development	N/A	\$1,317,711	Training and employment services for underemployed, unemployed, or recently laid off persons. Includes placement of 13 youth in County departments through the Mayor's Summer Youth Program. Workforce initiatives are being implemented through the City's Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD).
	Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	N/A	N/A	The County is applying to place lower income adults over 55 into <i>additional</i> , part-time, stimulus-funded job training slots at county agencies.
Energy Conservation				
	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant money	N/A	\$2,173,600	Implemented by City/County Sustainability Manager in conjunction with the City's General Services Dept. Both city and county may apply for competitive grants later in summer.
	EPA Emerging Technology Program and NC DENR (Div. of Air Quality)'s Diesel Emissions Economic Recovery Program (NCDEER)	N/A	N/A	The City, which has a much larger, centralized fleet, has applied to have a number of older, diesel vehicles retrofitted through these programs.
	DOE Clean Cities Program (alternative / flex fuel program)	N/A	N/A	The Triangle Clean Cities Coalition (TJCOG = lead entity) has submitted an application on behalf of the City and County of Durham, among others.

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Housing				
	CDBG Money	N/A	\$516,025	HUD money coming through the City's Comm. Development Department.
	Homeless Prevention / Rapid Re-Housing	N/A	\$789,101	The City's Comm. Dev. Dept. held public sessions on 4/14, 5/5, and 6/1 with organizations interested in how these funds will be distributed.
	Neighborhood Stabilization Program	N/A	\$800,000	See above. Expenditures of this money are restricted to within the City limits.
	Public Housing Capital Fund	See additional info.	See additional info.	The Durham Housing Authority has received roughly <u>\$4.35 million</u> in stimulus funding for capital improvements and is eligible for additional funding through a competitive grant process.
	Weatherization Assistance Program	N/A	N/A	Operation Breakthrough is Durham County's only subrecipient agency. In addition to its normal weatherization funding from the state, OBT will be receiving approximately <u>\$3.16 million</u> in <i>stimulus</i> funding over the 2009 – 2012 period for further weatherization activities.

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Transportation				
	Surface Transportation Program (STP)	N/A	\$4.85 million	Five resurfacing projects in Durham County to be implemented by NCDOT with DCHC-MPO input. <u>\$9.7m</u> in resurfacing and interchange improvements on I-540 are also partly in and/or will affect Durham County. Durham may receive more money in a second phase of this funding coordinated by NCDOT.
	STP-DA (apportioned directly to local gov't.s)	\$827,321	\$4,309,579	City and County funds will be used to construct the Third Fork Creek Greenway Trail (additional funding for this project is coming from City bond funds), resurface portions of the American Tobacco Trail, and resurface the North-South Trail between Lavender and Murray Streets. All projects have been recommended by the Durham Open Space & Trails Commission.
	Transit / "Section 5307" funding	N/A	\$4,257,465	This money apportioned using existing DCHC-MPO formula to DATA, Triangle Transit, and Chapel Hill Transit.
	Transit Capital Assistance Grants	\$260,500	N/A	Cooperative Extension received this award to fund additional vehicles and improve mobility management in the Durham County ACCESS program.

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	Transit Investments for Greenhouse Gas / Energy Reduction Program (TIGGER)	N/A	N/A	DATA (City) applying in conjunction with DCHC-MPO for <u>\$600,000</u> for hybrid electric vans.
Water Infrastructure				
	NC DENR / DWQ Wastewater and Drinking Water Projects	N/A	N/A	No City or County projects were funded in Round 1 of this funding (but may be considered in Round 2). The County's wastewater re-use project could not meet an added requirement that it be permitted by June 3 rd .
Other				
	Unemployment Assistance	N/A	N/A	Increased / expanded benefits being administered through the state.
	Brownfields	N/A	\$400,000	County staff investigated but concluded that the County did not have any brownfields that would qualify. The City's Office of Economic and Workforce Development has received a \$400,000 competitive grant to conduct brownfields assessments.
	Broadband Initiatives	N/A	N/A	A City/County work group are looking into whether a joint application from Durham would be eligible and competitive for a grant in this area.
	Weed and Seed (Dept. of Justice)	N/A	N/A	The City's Dept. of Community Development has applied for \$300,000 to continue current City activities in this area.

