## **Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet**

AGENDA ITEM: Budget Amendment for Reentry (Grant Fund – Other Public Safety)	
MEETING DATE: August 2, 2016	
REQUESTED BY: Jennifer Chilton for Amanda L. Stone	
Background information Buncombe County's Reentry Council works with formerly incarcerated individuals at high risk of recidivism. It provides participant centered transition teams that support employment, vocational/educational, personal development, and community participation goals. The council is comprised of member organizations representing a cross section of health and human service providers that includes an Executive Committee and Work Teams (i.e. Advocacy, Housing, Mental Health/Substance Abuse, Employment, Sustainability and Mentoring. The strategy is supported by two current grant sources, both administered by NC Department of Public Safety and implemented by County of Buncombe:  1. Vera Pathways from Prison to Post-Secondary Education 2. NC Local Reentry Councils	
Pro's Reduced recidivism and increased public safety in Buncombe County	Con's
Funds required in current budget: No matching funds are required.	
Funds required in future budgets: No future funds are required.	
Alternatives	
Action recommended: Allocate funding for Reentry in the amount of \$ 102,850 in new Vera grant dollars and \$49,600 in new Reentry Council dollars.	