

## Alamance County: City of Burlington

### Covid-19 Grant Outcomes and Accomplishments

*County and local governments used these funds in many ways, including: supporting public health and safety personnel, equipment for health departments, grants for small businesses and non-profits, and economic support to individuals.*

Session Law	Item	Total Funding Authorized to City of Burlington
S.L. 2020-4	Local Government Assistance	\$ 845,454.32

The City of Burlington's expenses from March 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 spanned categories including Public Health costs to comply with sanitizing and social distancing protocols, payroll expenses, and expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures. These expenses are outlined below:

**Public Health Expenses:** The City of Burlington purchased supplies to sanitize and clean work environments including acrylic for employee safety, masks, gowns, gloves, and electrostatic sprayers for efficient sanitizing efforts. The goal with these expenditures is focused on maintaining a healthy workforce. Costs of quarantining are represented in this category as shown with hotel expenditures to prevent potential further spread of the virus. Continuous cleaning efforts and number of COVID-19 cases within the City of Burlington were the metrics which measured success for this category. The City of Burlington has maintained an environment which has posed minimal risk and exposure from the public from COVID-19.

**Payroll Expenses:** The City of Burlington provided salaries and benefits to three full time employees dedicated to addressing COVID-19 and two individuals devoted to cleaning facilities. The goal for these expenditures is to maintain leadership roles to sustain the recovery effort and to have dedicated employees to sanitize government buildings. The metric used for this category is percentage of pay provided to employees substantially dedicated to responding to COVID-19. The bulk of costs were shown from pay in compliance with COVID-19-related health measures. This includes paid time off as related to COVID-19 and emergency leave in relation to COVID-19. The goal for this category of expenditure is to compensate employees in accordance with COVID-19 measures.

**Expenses to facilitate compliance with COVID-19 measures:** The City of Burlington incurred substantial costs to transition working environments and labor and expenses to clean recreation facilities. Additional expenses include plexiglass panels for the inspections department, backpack sprayers for sanitizing, and a bathroom addition for the McDade Recreation Administration Building to provide Recreation and Parks employees with a bathroom facility that was not located in currently closed facilities. The City of Burlington also purchased new laptops to provide the needed resources to employees to adjust to safe, secure remote work environment to sustain a healthy workforce. All receipts and invoices are available for review.

Total requested amount for March 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020 totals: **\$845,454.32**





