

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Allocation for Local Government Finance Officer Training

Request: The Board is asked to approve an allocation for Local Government Finance Officer Training not to exceed \$25,000 to Surry Community College – Virtual Learning Center (VLC). The funding will provide resources and support of the development of a Municipal Finance Continuing Education Course.

Background: The North Carolina State Treasurer’s Office requested the NCCCS develop a continuing education course on Municipal Finance to be offered in Fall 2016 at four pilot colleges (Beaufort CC, Johnston CC, Rowan-Cabarrus CC and Asheville-Buncombe Tech CC) and made available to all colleges by Spring 2017.

This course provides supporting education for units under the authority of the NC State Treasurer’s Office identified as having ‘deficiencies’ and continuing education for the incumbent workforce. It can also serve as an introductory course for individuals interested in entering positions within finance divisions of the local government and/or public authority units.

Session Law 2016-84 (G.S. 159-25(d)) provides the Local Government Commission the “...authority to require any finance officer or any other employee who performs the duties of the finance officer to participate in training related to the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the finance officer...”. The Municipal Finance continuing education course is being developed in collaboration with the NC State Treasurer’s Office to meet their needs in responding to local government and/or public authorities training requirements.

Rationale for Allocation: As the host college for the VLC – Quality and Assessment Center, Surry Community College has the background and resources to effectively develop a high quality hybrid training program.

Allocation Amount and Time Period: The allocation is for the period of July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, not to exceed \$25,000.

Fund Source and Availability: The funds were appropriated in the FY 2016-17 State General Fund for the development of a Municipal Finance Course to support the needs of the State of North Carolina Treasurer’s Office.

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