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House Member Appropriation Request Form

Member: Terry Alexander Date: 2/14/23

Project/Event Name\*: The Men's Center "The Men's Room"  
\*Please make sure name is how you would like it listed in the budget

Requested Amount: \$1.2 Million

Recipient Entity: Hope Health Community Health

Is the final recipient a:  state agency,  local government,  non-profit, or  other?

If "other," please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

If a non-profit, is it registered and in good standing with the Secretary of State's Office? Yes or No

If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient Entity Contact: Carl Humphries Title/Position: Executive Director

Contact Phone Number: 843-667-9414 Email: carl@hope-health.org

Recipient Entity Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of Intended Use of the Funds: To provide a holistic approach to dealing with men's health care. This will occur through education, health screening events, and group sessions.

Please attach a requested project cost breakdown and any supporting materials or documents. Are there any materials submitted with this form?  Yes or  No

Justification of Request/Public Benefit: Justification and Public Benefit is to provide a safe space for men to connect and share with other men their concerns, problems and issues related to their physical, mental, and emotional conditions and needs. This program is designed specifically for men and will focus on individual's personal, physical, and emotional needs. The men's center will also provide men a place of solitude, prayer, and meditation that will help to provide and promote healthy minds and healthy bodies. This program will also help to address the health disparities in men and promote early detection.

\*To be completed by House members only\*

Terry Alexander  
Primary Member Sponsor - Please Print

Terry Alexander 2/14/23  
Member Sponsor Signature & Date

Additional Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Recommended by House Member: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Dear Partners:**

**RE: The Project Deliverables and Beneficiaries:**

### **THE MEN'S CENTER of The PEE DEE**

**This Center will provide a holistic approach to dealing with MEN'S health and will create a "safe space" for MEN to gather, while maintaining a microcosm for MEN to share their concerns, problems and issues related to their particular physical, mental and emotional conditions and needs.**

**The MEN'S Center will host regular screening events that can aid in early detection of diseases to maintain stable health. It will address hygiene issues by having bathing facilities, a clothes closet and simple toiletries. One of its more important initiatives is to create a place of solitude, prayer and meditation to relieve stress and anxiety that are particular to men. Healthy minds foster healthy bodies.**

**The MEN'S Center will further secure health practitioners and counselors that will connect with Medical Universities in South Carolina and North Carolina, to form a network of health providers in a non-threatening environment. They will provide counseling services for veterans and persons from the homeless population with a particular focus on getting them back to gainful employment and restoring their quality of life. The MEN'S Center of The Pee Dee in partnership with HopeHealth Inc., a federally qualified health center, will achieve this by networking with state agencies like the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce, the South Carolina Department of Social Services and the South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Center.**

**One of the key components in this MEN'S Center will be to provide a "MEN'S Room," a safe place to gather with other MEN with recliners, game tables, music, "vouchered" juice bar, and other amenities for MEN to connect with MEN. It will highlight health education designed specifically for MEN with speakers and comprehensive and informative data. It can serve as a "model for the nation" in dealing with men's health.**

**The idyllic HOPE of this project is to team and forge partnerships with medical practitioners, hospitals and universities, research students/interns, and**

**ministers/seminarians. Also, counselors/therapists/psychiatrists/psychologists and sociologists throughout South and North Carolina in attempts to develop data to be used to produce measurable outcomes as it pertains to the alleviation of various health issues for "MEN" throughout the United States, with its initial project in the Pee Dee Region.**