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# **Department of Health and Human Services Receipt Supported Positions**

### **Division of Social Services**

Proposes to create 34 positions to establish a North Carolina based call center for the Food Stamp Program to replace a call center operated by eFunds and located in India. Funding will be local county funds matched with federal Food Stamp administrative funds.

## Division of Services for the Blind

Proposes to create a Rehabilitation Counselor I to work with older students in Durham County. Funding is from the Rehabilitation Services Basic Support Grant and local funds.

## Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Proposes to create seven positions using Telecommunications Relay Service Funds. A Communications Development Specialist will develop and maintain a system to provide emergency alerting and response services the deaf and hard of hearing consumers. Five Community Service Consultants will increase access to telecommunications for more consumers. A Program Assistant will help process applications for assistance.

### **Division of Facility Services**

An Accountant II is needed to provide the services required by the Medical Care Commission Facility Finance Act. Funding is from fees.