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# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## Office of the County Executive

November 5, 2021

The Honorable Calvin S. Hawkins, II  
Chair  
Prince George's County Council  
County Administration Building  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chair Hawkins:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution for appropriating funding from grants in the amount of \$23,180,241 for Fiscal Year 2022. This request for additional appropriation authority will support new and/or continuing grant program efforts of eight agencies and Non-Departmental. The agencies requesting additional appropriations are listed below.

The Circuit Court will need an adjustment totaling \$124,000 for three programs. Funding will serve residents by providing fair, efficient, and timely access to justice; provide security-related goods/or services in accordance with the Administrative Office of the Courts and provide direct client services in the lives of people experiencing substance abuse issues.

The Department of Corrections will need an adjustment totaling \$86,711. Funding will support the installation and utilization of a mobile reentry application that will up staff participation interaction and increase success rates.

The Fire Department will need an adjustment totaling \$15,250. Funding will ensure emergency response partners have available protective equipment when carrying out operations.

The Police Department will need an adjustment totaling \$1,571,558 for ten programs. Funding will support community programs to deter the increasing violence in several areas throughout the County; existing DNA and DNA database laboratories to prevent backlog; overtime, training and new equipment costs; compensation for a prosecutor; assist with combating terrorist activity; strategies intended to provide assistance complying with laws surrounding the sex offender registry; apprehension, prosecution and intervention of gun offenders and prevention of gun and gang crime; and address violent crime by targeting and arresting violent offenders and conducting high visibility enforcement efforts in areas with high incidence of violent crime.

The Department of Housing and Community Development will need an adjustment totaling \$405,237. Funding supports the Community Development Block Grant broad range of physical improvements for those areas of the County designated for redevelopment and revitalization.

The Department of Family Services will need an adjustment totaling \$1,899,552 for twenty programs. Funding supports low-income senior citizens as foster grandparents to work with physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped children; community service and training to low-income older citizens for productive work; meals to residents aged 60 and over; comprehensive planning, monitoring and the evaluation of all senior citizen programs; services that protect adults from abuse; materials to provide information to residents concerning programs and assistance available related to guardianship issues; day care for the frail, health fitness, rural outreach and ombudsman services; and services to seniors with disabilities who may be at risk of nursing home placement. Funding also assists youth with going back to school and train them to acquire employable skills so they can become economically independent; to residents who are transitioning from an institution back into the community; provide an online ecosystem for an early childhood system builder; ensure youth with intensive needs receive comprehensive support services; support reduced childhood hunger; and enhance the life for people affected by dementia.

The Health Department will need an adjustment totaling \$13,828,823 for twenty-seven programs. Funding will provide buprenorphine prescription assistance services to individuals who are uninsured or under-insured; psychogeriatric nursing services in assisted livings homes; services to individuals with mental illness who have some forensic involvement; several substance use disorder treatment programs for services supporting recovery outcomes; reduce substance abuse as a factor for the criminal justice system entry and recidivism; mental health programs/services; overdose prevention; address the opioid crisis; and prevention, education services on the dangers of tobacco use. Funding also support compensation for a Lead Evaluator, Behavioral Health Project Manager and Central Referral System Coordinator to guide diabetes health elements; support and safe syringe services for clean drug use to reduce the spread of HIV; health clinics in four County high schools; prevention of children exposure to lead; treatment and services to minimize the spread and infection of Hepatitis B and C; compensation for Community Health Workers to improve health outcomes; enhanced COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and vaccination activities; dental sealants for children; childhood services for infants and toddlers to improve school readiness outcomes; and training for public health emergencies.

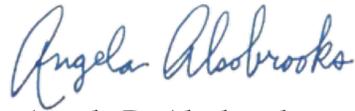
The Department of Social Services will need an adjustment totaling \$249,110 for five programs. Funding will support a ten-year plan to prevent and end homelessness; low-income families in meeting the high costs of winter energy bills; food stamp recipients in attaining long-term self-sufficiency through employment; transition and support to single men; and housing and supportive services to eligible individuals and families.

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Non-Departmental will need an adjustment totaling \$5,000,000. Funding will support an online sales framework and equipment for telework opportunities.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Stanley Earley Director, Office of Management and Budget at (301) 952-3300.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angela D. Alsobrooks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Enclosures