



# THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT


## Office of Audits and Investigations


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### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

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THRU: Josh Hamlin   
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RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement  
CR-099-2022 HOME Program to ARP Allocation Plan

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CR-099-2022 (*Proposed by:* Council Chair at the request of the County Executive; *Introduced by:* Council Members Hawkins, Harrison, Turner, and Glaros)

Assigned to the Planning, Housing, and Economic Development (PHED) Committee

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2022 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program American Rescue Plan (“ARP”), Allocation Plan, an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan.

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### Fiscal Summary

#### Direct Impact

*Expenditures:* Additional expenditures of \$7,592,085 would be authorized.

*Revenue:* Additional revenue of \$7,592,085 in federal funds.

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## **Indirect Impact**

Potentially favorable.

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## **Legislative Summary**

CR-099-2022<sup>1</sup>, proposed by the Council Chair at the request of the County Executive, was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Harrison, Turner, and Glaros on September 6, 2022, and referred to the Planning, Housing, and Economic Development (PHED) Committee. CR-099-2022 would amend the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Allocation Plan to include additional funding of \$7,592,085 for the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program.

Per the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), the allocation will be used to carry out three activities:

1. Supportive Services
2. Acquisition/Development of non-congregate shelter
3. Development of affordable rental housing

The draft HOME-ARP Allocation Plan details can be found in Attachment A, Appendix P.<sup>2</sup>

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## **Background/Current Law**

The federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, enacted in March 2021, provided local jurisdictions with funding to alleviate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, the federal government sought to address the increase in and risk of homelessness by funding more affordable housing projects and tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) programs, together with other social services to the community.

Funds from the HOME Program may be used for the following activities:<sup>3</sup>

- Acquisition, rehabilitation, and construction of affordable rental housing
  - Supportive services, homeless prevention services, and housing counseling
  - Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter
  - Tenant-based rental assistance
  - Nonprofit operating and capacity building assistance
  - Grant administration and planning
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<sup>1</sup> [CR-099-2022](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Attachment A, Appendix P](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Attachment A, Appendix N](#)

## Resource Personnel

- Aspasia Xypolia, Director Department of Housing and Community Development
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## Discussion/Policy Analysis

CR-099-2022 would increase the amount of money available to the County for housing development projects. In accordance with the Program requirements, DHCD held consultations with relevant stakeholders, received feedback and results from consultations which shone light on the landscape of homelessness and homeless services in the County, conducted a needs assessment and gap analysis to better understand the homeless population within and outside of the County shelters and in transitional housing.<sup>4</sup>

The activities funded under the HOME allocation, per Attachment A, Appendix P of the Resolution include:

ACTIVITY	FUNDING AMOUNT	% OF GRANT	STATUTORY LIMIT
Supportive services	\$1,029,835		
Acquisition/development of non-congregate shelter	\$ 835,274		
Development of affordable rental housing	\$4,588,164		
Administration and planning	\$1,138,812	15%	15%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,592,085</b>		

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## Fiscal Impact

- *Direct Impact*

Adoption of CR-099-2022 would add over \$7 million to the Department of Housing and Community Development's (DHCD) housing fund serving the protect the most vulnerable in the community.

- *Indirect Impact*

Adoption of CR-099-2022 would add additional income into the County's housing fund which would increase the tax base in the long run and serve to provide better services to residents.

- *Appropriated in Current Fiscal Year*

N/A.

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<sup>4</sup> [Attachment A, Appendix P.](#)

**Effective Date of Proposed Legislation**

The proposed Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

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If you require additional information, or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please email me.