

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: 4/29/97

Reference No.: CR-23-1997

Proposer: County Executive

Draft No.: 2

Sponsors: Bailey, Del Giudice, Wilson

Item Title: A Supplementary Appropriation of Federal, State and Other Funds for the purpose of providing adjustments to funding grants in the amount of \$8,341,238 to various County Agencies

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: __/__/__

Executive Action: __/__/__ __

Committee Referral:(1) 4/1/97 PSFM

Effective Date: __/__/__

Committee Action:(1) 4/16/97 FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 4/1/97

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) __/__/__ __:__ __

Council Action: (1) 4/29/97 ADOPTED

Council Votes: DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, AMc:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT Date: 4/16/97

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 5-0, (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Estepp, Gourdine, Maloney, Scott).

This resolution will provide for FY97 adjustments to funding for grant programs in the amount of \$8,341,238.

The most notable addition to grant funding is the \$3.1 million appropriation in the County's budget for the Department of Social Services related to the objectives and outcomes of Maryland's welfare-to-work (JOBS) program. This program replaced various public assistance programs and

emphasizes work rather than cash assistance programs. The State recognizes achievements of local jurisdictions in reducing the number of public assistance clients by allocating to the local departments of social services funds representing public assistance savings.

Also, the Department of Social Services is awarded \$850,000 through the Maryland Department of Human Resources as reimbursement of administrative costs in programs for vulnerable children and families. The majority of the funds reimburse past years' costs with a smaller portion for costs during the on-going fiscal year.

The Police Department's grants budget will be increased significantly. The largest single addition is the \$921,555 award for the first year's spending of a two year Law Enforcement Block Grant Program which will target repeat violent juvenile offenders. Also, there will be funding in the amount of \$53,840 to equip the mobile crime lab as well as other smaller adjustments to grants in this agency.

The Health Department's grants budget increases funds in the amount of \$554,000 to fund the department's role in another State initiative, the assignment of Medical Assistance clients to managed care providers. Local health departments have designated responsibilities under this initiative which include educating the public regarding care options, assisting medical assistance clients in achieving a good match with a private provider and enhancing the outcomes of managed care by providing specialized services to high risk clients.

The Office of Finance has certified in writing that the \$8.3 million is available or anticipated from revenue from grants.

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-23-1997. This is a significant amendment to FY97 grants appropriations and will provide spending authority for several programs extending well beyond the typical twelve month period.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

Information received subsequent to adoption of the FY1996-1997 Approved Budget includes notification of the award of new grants and of additional funds for existing grants. In addition, several small grant awards anticipated in the budget were not received and adjustments to approved appropriations are included accordingly.

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