

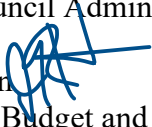



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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

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THRU: Josh Hamlin   
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RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement  
CR-092-2024 Creation of a Regional Service Director PILOT Program

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**CR-092-2024** (*Proposed by:* Councilmember Fisher)

Assigned to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee

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A RESOLUTION CONCERNING CREATION OF A REGIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR PILOT PROGRAM FOR LANGLEY PARK for the purpose of encouraging the establishment of a PILOT program that would explore the creation of the position of a Regional Service Director for Langley Park, Maryland.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**Direct Impact**

*Expenditures:* No anticipated expenditure impact.

*Revenues:* No anticipated revenue impact.

## **Indirect Impact**

Likely favorable.

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## **Legislative Summary:**

This resolution encourages the County Executive to require the Prince George's County Office of Community Relations to create the position of Regional Service Director for Langley Park. The Regional Service Director will serve as the coordinator between community, commercial, government and more to help advocate and set a vision and bring services to the Langley Park community.

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## **Background/Current Law:**

*Relevant legislation from Other Jurisdictions:*

Montgomery County currently has 5 (five) Regional Service Centers in Bethesda- Chevy Chase, Eastern Montgomery, Mid-County, Silver Spring, and Upcounty. According to the description of Regional Service Centers on Montgomery County's website, "The mission of the Regional Services Centers is to represent the County in their respective regions by providing effective, timely liaison between Montgomery County and its residents and businesses and by working with individuals, community groups, regional Citizens' Advisory Boards, and other public agencies to provide information, identify and assess regional problems and issues, and recommend and/or implement solutions<sup>1</sup>." The directors of these Regional Service Centers assess regional problems and works with the community to determine solutions, with an emphasis on public-private collaboration. The Regional Director promotes community empowerment through participatory processes and helps to promote a sense of community through special events such as local community festivals<sup>2</sup>. Montgomery's Regional Service Directors are appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council<sup>3</sup>. These Centers are meant to function as a link to the County Executive's Office, assisting local individuals, families, and businesses. The Centers also work with a regional Citizens Advisory Board appointed by the County Executive and approved by the County Council.

The Sidney Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center, located in Germantown, is a full-service center which has been in existence since 1985, and contains the County's Volunteer Center, and regional offices of the Montgomery County Public Schools<sup>4</sup>. Other services found at the Upcounty Regional Services Center include: the Germantown American Job Center, Housing Stabilization

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<sup>1</sup> [Regional Services Centers - Montgomery County, MD \(montgomerycountymd.gov\)](https://montgomerycountymd.gov/Regional-Services-Centers)

<sup>2</sup> Ibid

<sup>3</sup> [Montgomery County Welcomes Four New Regional Services Center Directors – Conduit Street \(mcounties.org\)](https://mcounties.org/Montgomery-County-Welcomes-Four-New-Regional-Services-Center-Directors-Conduit-Street)

<sup>4</sup> [Upcounty Regional Services: About Us \(montgomerycountymd.gov\)](https://montgomerycountymd.gov/Upcounty-Regional-Services-About-Us)

and Assistance Services, Income Support Programs, Child Welfare Services, including a childcare center contracted through the County's Department of Health and Human Services, and Dental Services<sup>5</sup>.

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**Resource Personnel:**

- Leroy Maddox, Legislative Officer
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**Discussion/Policy Analysis:**

Bridging the gap between the needs of citizens and public services is often one of the major challenges facing local governments. The creation of regionally based service centers, which offer a wide variety of programs in one easy-to-access location, is becoming an increasingly popular method of bringing those services to residents. Requiring the Prince George's County Office of Community Relations to create the position of Regional Service Director for Langley Park would provide Langley Park residents with an essential link between them and necessary resources provided by the County Government, as well as helping their voices be heard.

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**Fiscal Impact**

- *Direct Impact*

Adoption of CR-092-2024 is not likely to have any direct fiscal impact.

- *Indirect Impact*

Adoption of CR-092-2024 is not likely to have any indirect fiscal impact.

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**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 reach out to me via phone or email.

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<sup>5</sup> [Upcounty Regional Services: Upcounty Services \(montgomerycountymd.gov\)](https://montgomerycountymd.gov/Upcounty-Regional-Services)