

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNCIL

Budget & Policy Analysis Division

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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

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THRU: Josh Hamlin

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FROM: Roger G. Banegas

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RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement

CR-081-2024 Supplementary Appropriations of Federal, State, and Other Funds

CR-081-2024 (*Proposed by:* The Chair of the Council at the request of the County Executive)

Assigned to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER FUNDS for the purpose of appropriating funding from grants in the amount of \$6,706,154 for the Fire/EMS Department, Department of Corrections, Department of Family Services, Health Department, Department of Social Services, Department of Public Works and Transportation, Department of the Environment, Office of Homeland Security, and the Circuit Court.

Fiscal Summary

Direct Impact:

Expenditures: Additional expenditures in the amount of \$137,296.

Revenues: Increased federal grant revenues in the amount of \$6,706,154.

Indirect Impact:

Likely favorable.

Legislative Summary:

CR-081-2024¹, proposed by The Chair and at the request of the County Executive, and sponsored by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Blegay, Olson, Dernoga, Oriadha, and Hawkins on September 17, 2024, and referred to the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy (GOFP) Committee. CR-081-2024 would approve the appropriation of grant funds to the Circuit Court and the following eight (8) County agencies:

- Fire/EMS Department
- Department of Corrections
- Department of Family Services
- Health Department
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Public Works and Transportation
- Department of the Environment
- Office of Homeland Security

Current Law/Background:

Section 815 of the Prince George's County code authorizes the County Council to make supplementary appropriations with a recommendation from the County Executive.²

CB-056-2022³ was signed into law on June 21, 2022, for the express purpose of dictating appropriations from grants and the conditions under which they are allocated. Any grant funds that are not included in the current budget upon receipt shall be included therein for the year they are received. The County Executive and County Council will approve any and all grant expenditures, and any unexpended grant funds shall be included in the following year's budget.

¹ CR-081-2024

² Section 815 of the Prince George's County Code

³ CB-056-2022

Resource Personnel:

- Stanley A. Earley, Office of Management and Budget
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Discussion/Policy Analysis:

CR-081-2024 is a supplemental appropriation from grant funds in the amount of \$6,706,154 to be approved for the Fiscal Year 2024 Approved Budget. County agencies will use these appropriations to provide enhanced service delivery and additional support in critical agency service areas. A breakdown of the grant sources and their intended uses can be located under the bill's 'Explanation of Adjustments' section⁴ (pages 14 through 20).

The County Executive's Transmittal Letter⁵ provides a breakdown of the adjustments for the Circuit Court and the eight (8) agencies as follows:

- o The Circuit Court will need an adjustment totaling \$392,345 for three programs. The funding will support child support enforcement services and courthouse security goods and services.
- o The Fire/EMS Department will need an adjustment totaling \$108,823. The funding supports an exploratory camp for girls, paramedicine service delivery to the community, and cancer screening for firefighters.
- o The Department of Corrections will need an adjustment totaling \$239,047. The funding will support residential substance abuse treatment and reentry services, various public safety wellness initiatives, and the expansion and evaluation of crisis intervention team training.
- o The Department of Family Services will need an adjustment totaling \$2,314,440 for aging services and youth programs. Funding will support senior health insurance, senior meal services, employment and training, youth diversion programming, and senior care waitlist backlogs.
- o The Health Department will need an adjustment totaling \$2,969,449 for ten programs. Funding will support perinatal care coordination, HIV programming, immunization services, reproductive health services, diabetes prevention, bioterrorism attacks, public health preparedness, medical coverage for children, ambulatory and non-emergency wheelchair transportation services for medical appointments and to prevent overdoses and substance-use related harm.
- o The Department of Social Services will need an adjustment totaling \$101,280 for three programs. Funding will support training for multidisciplinary facilitators, child and family advocacy services for military families, and food purchases.

⁴ CR-081-2024

⁵ County Executive Transmittal Letter, August 20, 2024

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- The Department of Public Works and Transportation will need an adjustment totaling \$170,019. The funding will support the specialized transportation assistance and biodiesel conversion of six transit vehicles.
- o The Department of the Environment will need an adjustment totaling \$11,300 for two programs. Funding will support the spay/neuter campaign and annual conference attendance costs for designated staff.
- o The Office of Homeland Security will need an adjustment totaling \$399,451 for three programs. Funds will support the damage assessment software, the purchase of an emergency response vehicle, and stream restoration at Snow Hill Manor Park.

The total adjustment to the amount of outside source funding in Federal Programs is \$6,568,858 (\$4,022,432 in State and Other funding and \$2,546,426 in Federal funding), increasing the total outside source funding to \$312,902,536. There were additional adjustments to the amount of required County Cash in the amount of \$137,296, and it has now increased to \$10,943,793. The total Federal Programs program spending has increased to \$323,846,329.

Fiscal Impact

Direct Impact

The adoption of CR-081-2024 should have a favorable fiscal impact as it reflects an increase in County grant funding. The Maryland Department of Aging awarded funding totaling \$3,726,060 to help support the Older Americans Act and related programming, \$1,245,301 to support the Senior Care Waitlist grant, and \$598,946 to support the State Nutrition Home Delivered Meals grant. The District of Columbia Department of Health awarded \$1,291,979 for the Ending the Epidemic Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant. The Center for Workforce Inclusion awarded funding totaling \$506,569 to support the Senior Community Service Training and Employment Program (SCSEP) grant. The Maryland Department of Health awarded \$2,260,573 for the Maryland Children Health Program (MCHP) Eligibility Determination-PWC program and, \$4,284,926 for the General Medical Assistance Transportation services.

Adoption of CR-081-2024 will also result in additional expenditures of \$137,296 County cash to support Federal Programs.

Indirect Impact

The adoption of CR-081-2024 will likely have a favorable indirect impact as it appropriates funds to County agencies to improve their service delivery and focus on special populations and/or tasks that require increased budget obligations. This may indirectly result in cost savings from services that would otherwise need to be funded from the general fund.

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Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget

No.

Effective Date of the Proposed Legislation

This proposed resolution shall take effect on the date of adoption.

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