



Committee: Directly to Council

Committee Review: N/A

Staff: Vivian Yao, Legislative Analyst

Purpose: To introduce agenda item – no vote expected

AGENDA ITEM #41

November 30, 2021

Introduction

SUBJECT

Supplemental Appropriation #22-213 to the FY22 Operating Budget Montgomery County Government, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Increase Somatic and Mental Health Services at Montgomery County Public Schools, \$1,016,026 (Source of Funds: Maryland State Department of Education Grant)

EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- Introduction – no Council vote expected

DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

The County Council will introduce a supplemental appropriation of \$1,016,026 to the DHHS FY22 Operating Budget for funding awarded to Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) from the Montgomery State Department of Education Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program. MCPS is collaborating with DHHS to increase somatic and mental health services to support students and families.

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- The Executive is recommending a total appropriation of \$1,016,026 in MSDE Grant Funds. This funding will support services managed by DHHS at Arcola, Georgian Forest, Jackson Road, Kemp Mill, Watkins Mill, and Oak View, Whetstone, Daly, South Lake Highland Harmony Hills and New Hampshire Estates Elementary Schools.
- DHHS will bill MCPS for reimbursement as follows:
 - \$707,580 to expand School Community Health Nurse positions to full-time at Arcola, Georgian Forest, Jackson Road, Kemp Mill, Watkins Mill, and Oak View, Whetstone, and Daly Elementary Schools.
 - \$308,446 for contractual mental health services at Arcola, Georgian Forest, South Lake, Highland, Harmony Hills, and New Hampshire Estates Elementary schools.

- The special appropriation will support racial equity and social justice goals in the County. The somatic and mental health services to be supported by the supplemental appropriation are targeted at the schools with very high concentrations of poverty, defined as having 80% or more of students eligible for the federal Free and Reduced-Price Meals program. These schools serve which serve an overwhelmingly large majority of students of color.
- Public Hearing and action are scheduled for December 14, 2021

This report contains:

Executive memo

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich
County Executive

MEMORANDUM

November 18, 2021

TO: Tom Hacker, President
County Council

FROM: Marc Elrich, County Executive 

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #22-13 to the FY22 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
Increase Somatic and Mental Health Services, \$1,016,026

I am recommending a supplemental appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in the amount of \$1,016,026 to provide services to the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) to fulfill requirements of the Maryland Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program. This appropriation will fund six School Community Health Nurses and contractual support for mental health services.

This supplemental appropriation is needed because MCPS received funding from the Maryland State Department of Education for the Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program. MCPS is collaborating with DHHS to increase somatic and mental health services to support students and families. Montgomery County will provide services and bill Montgomery County Public Schools for reimbursement. From the \$1,016,026 in additional funding:

- a. \$707,580 would support six School Community Health Nurses' positions; and
- b. \$308,446 would provide contractual support for mental health services.

I recommend this supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,016,026 with the source of funds as revenue from the Maryland State Department of Education Grant.

I appreciate your prompt consideration of this action.

ME:es

Enclosure: Supplemental Appropriation #22-13

cc: Dr. Raymond L. Crowel, Psy.D., Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Richard S. Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer R. Bryant, Director, Office of Management and Budget

Resolution No: _____
Introduced: _____
Adopted: _____

COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #22-13 to the FY22 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
Increase Somatic and Mental Health Services at Montgomery County Public
Schools, \$1,016,026

Background

1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation shall be recommended by the County Executive who shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of five Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.
2. The County Executive has requested the following FY22 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Health and Human Services:

<u>Personnel</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Expenses</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source</u> <u>of Funds</u>
\$707,580	\$308,446	\$0	\$1,016,026	Maryland State Department of Education Grant

3. This increase is needed because Montgomery County Public Schools received funding from the Maryland State Department of Education for the Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program. Montgomery County Public Schools is collaborating with the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services to increase somatic and mental health services to support students and families. Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services will provide services and bill Montgomery County Public Schools for reimbursement. From the \$1,016,026 in additional funding:
 - a. \$707,580 would support six School Community Health Nurses' positions; and
 - b. \$308,446 would provide contractual support for mental health services.
4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,016,026 for six School Community Health Nurses' positions and contractual support for mental health services and specifies that the source of funds is Maryland State Department of Education Grant.
5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A supplemental appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$707,580	\$308,446	\$0	\$1,016,026	Maryland State Department of Education Grant

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.,
Clerk of the Council