

Resolution No.:	19-1449
Introduced:	October 25, 2022
Adopted:	November 15, 2022

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation #23-29 to the FY23 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
\$10,000,000 (Source of Funds: General Fund: Undesignated Reserves)
Hospital Response

Background

1. Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that a special appropriation: (a) may be made at any time after public notice by news release; (b) must state that the special appropriation is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency or to act without delay in the public interest; (c) must specify the revenues necessary to finance it; and (d) must be approved by no fewer than six members of the Council.
2. The County Executive has requested the following FY23 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Health and Human Services:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	General Fund: Undesignated Reserves

3. This increase is needed because of the increase in personnel costs, inflation, and shortfalls due to delayed insurance reimbursements that have not kept up to pace with actual costs. Without these services, hospitals might need to cut back on services provided to County residents.
4. DHHS will develop a process to validate hospital-specific requests, ensuring funds will be used to protect existing capacity in providing services to residents and to rebuild services for residents where they have been curtailed.

5. The County Executive has requested a special appropriation to the FY23 Operating Budget in the amount of \$10,000,000 for Hospital Response and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund: Undesignated Reserves.
6. The public was notified by a news release.

Action


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

1. A special appropriation to the FY23 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>
\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	General Fund: Undesignated Reserves

2. The County Council declares that this action is necessary to be acted upon without delay in the public interest, and that this appropriation is needed to meet the emergency.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Judy Rupp, Clerk of the Council