

Resolution No.:	<u>20-163</u>
Introduced:	<u>March 28, 2023</u>
Adopted:	<u>May 16, 2023</u>

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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

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**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriation #23-91 to the FY23 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) DHHS COVID-19  
Emergency Response, \$5,000,000

**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 six Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of seven 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 FY23 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Health and Human Services:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

3. This increase is needed to deliver emergency services to residents because of the pandemic. These costs were not included in the Department's approved FY23 operating budget. The County will actively seek reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for all eligible expenditures. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) requires additional appropriation to recognize those expenditures because FEMA

reimbursement is in the form of revenue. The following is a breakdown of the amounts expended during FY23 requiring additional funds above budgeted levels:

- Minority Health, \$1,108,000;
  - Vaccination, \$286,573
  - PCR testing, \$5,174,694
  - Rapid testing, \$2,250,000
  - IT for testing and vaccination, \$219,876
  - Outbreak nurses, \$875,040
  - Nurses for OMS, \$421,200
  - COVID Motel and expenses, \$2,366,350; and
  - Other Motel and expenses, \$3,207,780
4. The amounts expended over budgeted levels total \$15,909,513; this was the amount initially recommended by the County Executive for supplemental appropriation. However, the third quarterly analysis the Office of Management and Budget determined that only an additional \$5,000,000 of new FY23 supplemental appropriation is needed due to unanticipated savings in personnel costs within the Department of Health and Human Services.
  5. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY23 Operating Budget in the revised amount of \$5,000,000 for COVID-19 emergency expenses and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund Undesignated Reserves.
  6. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

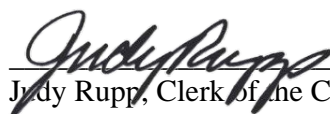
### **Action**

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

A supplemental appropriation to the FY23 Operating Budget of the Department of the Department of Health and Human Services is approved as follows:

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This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
 Judy Rupp, Clerk of the Council