

Resolution No.: 20-324  
Introduced: October 24, 2023  
Adopted: November 14, 2023

**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:** Special Appropriation #24-24 to the FY24 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Department of Technology & Enterprise Business Solutions  
Federal Grant (Emergency Connectivity Fund Grant), \$22,784,400

**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 seven members of the Council.
2. The County Executive has requested the following FY24 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Technology & Enterprise Business Solutions (TEBS):

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$22,784,400	\$22,784,400	Federal Grant

This increase is needed to purchase and distribute 60,000 computers.

3. The County Executive has requested a special appropriation to the FY24 Operating Budget in the amount of \$22,784,400 for Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) Grant and specifies that the source of funds will be Federal Grant distributed by the Universal Service Administrative Company. Funding for ECF was established under the American Rescue Plan Act and awarded to Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL). The TEBS Device Client Management (DCM) program is purchasing and distributing computers on behalf of MCPL.
4. 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 FY24 Operating Budget of the Department of \$22,784,400 is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$22,784,400	\$22,784,400	Federal Grant

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

This is a correct copy of Council action.



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Sara R. Tenenbaum  
Clerk of the Council