

Resolution No.:	<u>20-438</u>
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**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:** 2023 Emergency Operations Plan

**Background**

1. The Maryland Code, Public Safety Article, §14-101 et. seq, requires each political subdivision to establish a local organization for the Office of Emergency Management with a Director appointed by the Governor on recommendation of the County Executive; develop and maintain a plan for disaster preparedness; and conduct disaster operations.
2. To comply with State and federal requirements, the County has maintained an Emergency Operations Plan for more than 28 years. The Executive has revised and reissued the Plan as necessary to comply with new requirements and to include current practices.
3. On December 1, the Council received the Executive's transmittal of the 2023 Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). This Plan is a multi-discipline, all-hazards plan that establishes a single, comprehensive framework for the management of major emergencies and disasters within the County. It continues to incorporate the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the County standard for incident management, and has been developed to comply with NIMS and Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) standards.
4. In 1998, the Council adopted Resolution 13-1475 approving the then-current EOP and requiring that future revisions of the Emergency Operations Plan must be approved by Council resolution before they are submitted to the State. The Council has continued to require Council approval of revisions of the Plan since that time.
5. The 2023 EOP replaces and supersedes the 2017 EOP, which the Council approved by Resolution 18-1061 in March 2018.

**Action**

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

The Montgomery County Emergency Operations Plan, 2023, is approved. A copy of the Plan is on file in the Council's Office of Legislative Information Services.

Each future revision of the Emergency Operations Plan must be approved by Council resolution before it is submitted to the State.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



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Clerk of the Council