

Resolution No.: 20-910
Introduced: September 16, 2025
Adopted: September 16, 2025

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budget Montgomery County Government, Resolution 20-820, Section G, Fiscal Year 2026, Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award: Hands of Hope, Inc., Hearts of Gold, Inc, and Identity, Inc.

Background

1. Section 11B-14 (a) (4) of the Montgomery County Code states that “a contract may be awarded without competition if the Chief Administrative Officer makes a written determination that the contract award serves a public purpose and proposed contractor has been identified in a grant or appropriation resolution approved by the Council.” The result of this action is to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award status resolution to include the entities listed below.
2. The Chief Administrative Officer has determined that funding for the contract with these entities serve a public purpose and that such an expense would be in the public interest.
3. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will update the contract with Hands of Hope, Inc. to Hands of Hope Services, Inc. to reflect the entity’s correct legal name.
4. DHHS will update the contract with Hearts of Gold, Inc to Heart of Gold Inc to reflect the entity’s correct legal name.
5. DHHS will establish a new contract with Identity, Inc. in the amount of \$743,055 for the purpose: “To provide positive youth development services to students and families at eight high schools.”
6. Funding for this action is provided through the FY26 Approved Operating Budget. No additional appropriation is necessary.

Action

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

The Council approves an amendment to the Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award and thereby amends Resolution 20-820, Section G, FY26 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award. The Chief Administrative Officer has recommended these actions and stated that these actions serve a public purpose and are in the public interest. The FY26 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status resolution is amended to reflect that DHHS will:

1. Update the contract with Hands of Hope, Inc. to Hands of Hope Services, Inc. to reflect the entity's correct legal name.
2. Update the contract with Hearts of Gold, Inc. to Heart of Gold, Inc. to reflect the entity's correct legal name.
3. Establish a new contract with Identity, Inc. in the amount of \$743,055 for the purpose: "To provide positive youth development services to students and families at eight high schools."

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Sara R. Tenenbaum
Clerk of the Council