

Resolution No.: 20-1046
Introduced: November 18, 2025
Adopted: February 24, 2026

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #26-27 Amendment to the FY26 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
School Health Services Head Start Program Nursing Services \$252,274

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 FY26 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	\$252,274	\$252,274	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

3. In FY25, the Department of Health and Human Services School Health Services Head Start Program received \$707,405 federal Head Start grant funds. The program will receive just \$403,307 in FY26, a 43 percent reduction. This supplemental appropriation will maintain funding for five contractual nurses to continue providing health services in alignment with

Head Start Program Performance Standards and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) requirements. In FY25, the program had seven contractual nurses supporting approximately 648 students across 30 sites. In FY26, funding is sufficient to serve 180 students. However, the actual number of students enrolled is 450, requiring additional funding of \$252,274 to support 5 contractual nurses.

- 4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY26 Operating Budget in the amount of \$252,274 for the School Health Services Head Start program nursing services and specifies that the source of funds will be the General Fund Undesignated Reserves.
- 5. 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 FY26 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$252,274	\$252,274	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Sara R. Tenenbaum
Clerk of the Council