

Resolution No.: 19-1464
Introduced: November 29, 2022
Adopted: November 29, 2022

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

Lead Sponsor: County Council

SUBJECT: Amendment to Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget Resolution 19-1285, Section G, Fiscal Year 2023 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status: Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. and Montgomery County Renters Alliance, 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) 2023 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award status resolution to include the entities listed below.
2. Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. and Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc. provide services to assist Montgomery County tenants faced with eviction, especially those adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The need for such assistance remains high, and the inclusion of additional funds will enable these two organizations to continue to provide important tenant support services for the remainder of FY23.
3. The Chief Administrative Officer has determined that funding for the contracts with these entities serves a public purpose and that such an expense would be in the public interest.
4. The Department of Housing and Community Affairs will fund the contracts with the entities listed below from existing appropriations in the General Fund (\$30,240) and the Montgomery Housing Initiative (\$193,960) for FY 2023.
5. The Department of Housing and Community Affairs will establish contract modifications with Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. and Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc. for tenant education and support services.

ACTION

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

The Council approves an amendment to the Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award and thereby amends Resolution 19-1285, Section G, FY 2023 Designation of Entities for Non- Competitive Contract Award. The Chief Administrative Officer has recommended this action and stated that establishing contracts with the entities listed below serves a public purpose and is in the public interest.

The FY 2023 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status resolution is amended to:

Modify a contract with Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. to add \$72,560 for the purpose: "Provide for tenant education services and educates tenants on their rights under current laws and regulations and available avenues of assistance."

Modify a contract with Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc. to add \$151,640 for the purpose: Provide for tenant education services and educates tenants on their rights under current laws and regulations and available avenues of assistance."

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Judy Rupp
Clerk of the Council