

CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President Bowlsbey at the request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 40-2018 – Supplemental Appropriation – Grant – Community Services Department

SYNOPSIS: A resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 in order to provide a total of \$639,720 over three years to the Community Services Fund – Department of Community Services – to record the grant award from the Department of Justice for the purpose of enhancing community responses to the opioid crisis by serving our youngest crime victims.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</u>: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2019. The additional grant revenue from the Federal government will better serve children birth to 17 who have experienced trauma related to substance abuse.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Cecil County Department of Community Services was awarded a grant from the Department of Justice to provide trauma therapy to children and community wide education. A concerted effort by the partners in our community to understand the situation of substance abuse and childhood trauma in Cecil County and then submit a plan of action to the Department of Justice was well received, and to that end, awarded \$639,720 over three years. The funding will be used to leverage close relationships with a wide variety of community partners in order to: continually collect and assess indicator data, provide direct services to impacted youth, convene community forums to inform and train professionals and promote community awareness, conduct monthly briefings for program partners and share available resources to meet the needs of this population; the funds will be used to contract with trauma-trained therapists to work with clients referred by the community partners.