



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 28-2021- Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Rental Assistance

SYNOPSIS: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, in order to provide a total of \$4,151,639 to the Emergency Shelter Grants Fund; to record the grant awarded from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, for the purpose of ensuring housing stability for families and individuals at risk; and those who are currently experiencing homelessness in Cecil County.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2021. The rents and utilities for the individuals that are eligible for assistance will be paid for in full by the grant from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program, being administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, was part of the first round of funding to come from the bill passed by Congress in December and will be funded through the United States Treasury. The County is permitted to use the grant funding for items such as rent in arrears, forward payments, utilities, case management and other emergency shelter related needs. The grant will help to cover the County's administrative burden of granting over \$4,000,000 to residents in need in Cecil County. The County is required to spend the first \$2,000,000 by July 30, 2021, if current deadlines are not extended.