

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2021-10

RESOLUTION NO. 28-2021

**Title of Resolution:** 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 of; and those who are currently experiencing homelessness in Cecil County.

**Introduced by:** Council President on behalf of the County Executive

**Introduced and ordered posted on:** May 18, 2021

**Scheduled for consideration on:** June 1, 2021

By: James Massey  
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by May 18, 2021 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on June 1, 2021.

By: James Massey  
Council Manager

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1           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2020, the  
2 County Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2021; and

3           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held  
4 public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2021; and

5           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on May 19, 2020, the  
6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2021; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2021 Emergency Shelter Grants Fund  
8 revenue estimate for Cecil County to establish the following amount: the addition of \$4,151,639 in grant  
9 revenue and expense to the Emergency Shelter Grants Fund budget to provide for the grant from the  
10 Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development awarded to Cecil County; and

11           **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$4,151,639 in program funding to ensure  
12 housing stability for those at risk or who are currently experiencing homelessness. Permissible uses of the  
13 grant funds include: rent arrears, forward payments, utilities and services including case management.

14           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**  
15 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal  
16 Year 2021 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation; and by amending the Current Budget  
17 to appropriate \$4,151,639 to the Emergency Shelter Grant Fund to record the grant awarded from the  
18 Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, for the purpose of ensuring housing  
19 stability for families and individuals at risk of and those who are currently experiencing homelessness in  
20 Cecil County.

21           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that  
22 this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage.

**INTRODUCED: May 18, 2021**

**ADOPTED: June 1, 2021**

ATTEST:

  
Council Manager

  
President of the Council



# CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

## FISCAL NOTE

### **SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION**

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

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**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.

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### **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.