

CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 34-2021

Supplemental Appropriation- Grants Fund- Broadband Expansion

<u>SYNOPSIS</u>: A resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 in order to provide a total of \$605,915 to the Special Revenue Other Grants Fund-Information Technology to record the grant awarded from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, the Governor's Office of Rural Broadband for the purpose of bringing internet access to underserved areas of Cecil County.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2022. The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, the Governor's Office of Rural Broadband has awarded Cecil County \$605,915 to put broadband infrastructure in underserved areas of the County.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The addition of \$605,915 in grant revenue and expense within the Special Revenue-Other Grant's Fund will allow the County to expand Broadband in Cecil County. The goal of DHCD is to aid counties experiencing broadband infrastructure deficits by supporting implementation of solutions to the problem of delivering broadband internet to unserved rural residents and businesses. The State will fund 60% of each project. The County is responsible for the other 40%. The 40% match is being supported by the partner in the closest proximately to the area being served. The attached chart shows the breakdown of each project: