

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2021-12
RESOLUTION NO. 34-2021**

Title of Resolution: Supplemental Appropriation- Grants Fund- Broadband Expansion

Synopsis: 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, administered by the Governor's Office of Rural Broadband, for the purpose of bringing internet access to underserved areas of Cecil County.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

By: 
Council Manager

Introduced and ordered posted: June 15, 2021

Scheduled for consideration: July 6, 2021

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by June 15, 2021 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd, Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on July 6, 2021.

By: 
Council Manager

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Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Broadband Expansion

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2021, the County
2 Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2022; 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 2022; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 1, 2021, the
6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2022; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2022 Special Revenue Other Grants Fund
8 – Information Technology revenue estimate for Cecil County to establish the following amount: the
9 addition of \$605,915 in grant revenue and expense to the Special Revenue Other Grants Fund –
10 Information Technology operating budget to provide for the grant from the Maryland Department of
11 Housing and Community Development, administered by the Governor’s Office of Rural Broadband awarded
12 to Cecil County; and

13 **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$605,915 in program funding to allow for the
14 expansion of internet access to underserved areas of Cecil County. The grant requires a 60/40 match from
15 the County, which in some instances will be offset by the internet partner who provides service near the
16 area of the project.

17 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
18 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal
19 Year 2022 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation; and by amending the Current Budget to
20 appropriate \$605,915 in additional expenditures in the Special Revenue Other Grants Fund – Information
21 Technology to record the incentive awarded from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community
22 Development, administered by the Governor’s Office of Rural Broadband, for the purpose of bringing
23 internet access to underserved areas in Cecil County.

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

INTRODUCED: June 15, 2021

ADOPTED: July 6, 2021

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President of the Council

ATTEST:



Council Manager



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT 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 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: