

Resolution No.: 18-592
Introduced: July 12, 2016
Adopted: August 2, 2016

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

Lead sponsor: Health and Human Services and Government Operations and Fiscal Policy
Committee

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation to the FY17 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Office of the County Executive
Strategic Plan to Achieve Food Security
\$75,000 (Source of Funds: General Fund Reserves)

Background

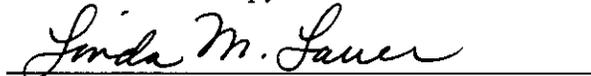
1. Section 308 of the County Charter provides that a special appropriation is an appropriation which states that it is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency, or to act without delay in the public interest. Each special appropriation shall be approved by not less than six Councilmembers. The Council may approve a special appropriation at any time after public notice by news release. Each special appropriation shall specify the source of funds to finance it.
2. On July 12, 2016, the Council enacted Bill 19-16, Health and Sanitation – Strategic Plan to Achieve Food Security. It is estimated that about 78,000 County residents are food insecure, meaning that they are not certain where their next meal will come from. Bill 19-16 requires the development of a five-year strategic plan with recommended actions that strives to reduce food insecurity. The plan is to be completed by December 1, 2016.
3. The Chief Innovation Officer has estimated that \$75,000 in contractual assistance is needed to complete the plan as required in Bill 19-16.
4. The Health and Human Services Committee and Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee held a joint worksession on Bill 19-16 on June 23, 2016 and recommended approval of the bill with amendments and approval of a special appropriation of \$75,000 to complete the plan without delay.
5. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A special appropriation to the FY17 Operating Budget of the Montgomery County Government, Office of the County Executive, for the Strategic Plan to Achieve Food Security is approved in the amount of \$75,000. The source of funds is General Fund Reserves.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council