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Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction – Regional Services Director
- Welcome Remarks – Chair, Citizens Advisory Board
- Presentation – Office of Management and Budget
- Remarks - County Executive Marc Elrich
- Community Questions & Comments
- Closing Remarks - County Executive Marc Elrich
Purpose of Budget Forums
Understanding Our Budget
Building the Operating Budget & Process Timeline
Online Resources - Open Budget
Fiscal Outlook
County Executive’s Policy Goals & Operating Budget Priorities
Purpose of Budget Forums

- Provide residents with an opportunity to express their priorities and views on the County’s Operating Budget
- Inform residents about the County’s Operating Budget
- Encourage participation and engagement in the process
The County Executive and the Citizens Advisory Board thank you for taking this opportunity to learn about the County’s operating budget, to express your views on the County’s Operating Budget priorities and get answers to your questions.
Understanding Our Budget
Operating Budget: Services

- K-12 Education
- Community College Education
- Public Safety: Police, Fire, Courts, Corrections and Sheriff
- Transportation: Roads, Traffic and Bus
- Social Services: Health, Income Maintenance and Other
- Environmental Protection
- Parks, Recreation and Libraries
- Land-Use Planning and Regulation
- Trash Collection and Disposal
- Economic Development
- Debt Service

Capital Budget: Facilities

- Schools and College Facilities
- Roads and Bridges
- Water and Sewer Facilities
- Information Technology Infrastructure
- Library Buildings
- Police and Fire Stations
- General Government Facilities
- Funded Primarily Through the Issuance of Bonds
Open Budget - Operating

montgomerycountymd.gov/openbudget

Interactive
Accessible
Printable
Customizable
Sharable
Open Budget - Capital
Including Projects & MAPS
Building The Operating Budget
Building the FY23 Operating Budget

1. Revenue Estimates
2. Enrollment Forecast
3. Fixed Costs for:
   ▪ Employee salaries & benefits
   ▪ Current & future retiree benefits
4. Debt service & capital contributions
5. New State & Federal Laws
6. COVID-19 Crisis
**Operating Budget Process**

**FALL**
County departments review performance data & prepare budget proposals

**WINTER**
County Executive reviews data & proposals with OMB & leadership teams

**MARCH 15**
County Executive transmits formal budget proposal to County Council

**SPRING**
County Council holds public hearings, work sessions, and adopts the budget by the end of May
Community Participation

- County Executive Sponsored Budget Forums
- County Executive Initiated Virtual Town Halls
- Boards, Committees, and Commissions
- Letters/Emails
- County Council Public Hearings
- Online Resources
Community Participation
Regional Community Advisory Boards

The five regional Community Advisory Boards are a way to keep up to date on issues affecting your communities and to have a voice. Take an active role by participating and engaging in your local Advisory Boards. Currently these meetings are being held online and are open to the public. Join with your computer, laptop, tablet, phone or call in with your phone.

If you have any questions, please contact the respective Regional Service Directors of the five regions.

For more information, go to the following websites for each of the five regions:

UpCounty - https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/upcounty/
Mid-County - https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/midcounty/
East County - https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/eastcounty/
Bethesda-Chevy Chase - https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/bcc/
Silver Spring - https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/silverspring/
Fiscal Outlook
Fiscally Responsible Government

Montgomery County is Focused on Financial Sustainability

- Balanced Budget Required By Law Despite Revenue Volatility
- Aggressive Reserve Target Policy
- Manage the Rate in Growth of Debt Expenditures
- Well-Managed Retirement Obligations – Pre-funding for pensions and retiree health insurance (OPEB)
The total approved FY22 operating budget increased 2.3% over the FY21 approved budget.

A large portion of the General Fund expenditures are mandatory. MCPS and College budgets are subject to future Maintenance of Effort requirements, Revenue Stabilization Fund, and debt service payments constituted 65% of the FY22 approved general fund revenues.
FY21 preliminary actual tax revenues for major taxes such as income tax, property tax, and recordation and transfer taxes are up compared to March 2021 estimates. FY21 results will not be final until the Department of Finance completes the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report at the end of the year. The infusion of federal funding in FY20, FY21, and FY22 created better circumstances for building the FY23 budget without federal assistance.

- Uncertainty around bus fares, licenses, permits, fines and other revenues due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- In September, the State of Maryland reported ending FY21 with a significant surplus.
- The County’s August income tax distribution was above revised estimates.
- Critical information needed to refine revenue estimates will not be known until later in October (property taxes) and November (income taxes).
Homes sales have increased 31.6% through July 2021 compared to January - July 2020.

Because of the COVID-19 crisis, the County’s unemployment rate increased from 3.2% in July 2019 to 8.6% in July 2020. The County's July 2021 unemployment rate is 5.7%.

Federal related unemployment and business assistance programs were critical in mitigating County and State revenues during the pandemic.
FY22 Fixed and Other Commitments as a % of General Fund Revenue ($millions)

- Debt Service: $420.9 (11.6%)
- OPEB, Pensions & Reserves: $254.3 (7.0%)
- PAYGO: $15.5 (0.4%)
- MCPS & College MOE: $1,899.0 (52.4%)
- Rest of the Budget: $1,034.6 (28.5%)

Total General Fund Revenue: $3,624.3
FY22 Approved Revenues ($millions)

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

TOTAL REVENUES - $6,073.9

- Property Tax $1,884.7 (31.0%)
- Intergovernmental $1,394.9 (23.0%)
- Income Tax $1,708.8 (28.1%)
- Charges for Services $425.9 (7.0%)
- Other Taxes $288.1 (4.7%)
- Fines & Miscellaneous $186.8 (3.1%)
- Transfer & Recodination Taxes $184.6 (3.0%)
FY22 Approved Expenditures by Operating Function ($millions)

- MCPS $2,780.5 (46.5%)
- Public Safety $629.5 (10.5%)
- Debt Service $448.7 (7.5%)
- Health and Human Services $364.0 (6.1%)
- General Government $346.9 (5.8%)
- Transportation $231.8 (3.9%)
- Montgomery College $122.6 (5.3%)
- Environment $168.2 (2.8%)
- M-NCPCC $170.0 (2.8%)
- OPEB Contributions $140.1 (2.3%)
- Non-Departmental $114.3 (1.9%)
- Housing $105.1 (1.8%)
- Libraries, Culture & Recreation $99.9 (1.7%)
- Operational Expenses $65.8 (1.1%)

TOTAL EXPENDITURES - $5,977.5
County Executive
Marc Elrich
County Executive Marc Elrich’s Policy Goals – The 5 Es

- **Educational** Opportunities for All
- **Equity** and Advancing Social Justice
- **Economic** Development Across the County
- **Environmental** Sustainability to Fight Climate Change
- **Efficient** and Effective Public Services
County Executive Marc Elrich’s Signature Initiatives

- **Expanding** Early Care and Education
- **Preserving & Increasing** Affordable Housing
- **Building** Bus Rapid Transit
- **Fighting** Climate Change
- **Improving** Economic and Community Development
- **Reimagining** Public Safety
- **Advancing** Racial Equity & Social Justice
County Executive Marc Elrich’s Signature Initiatives

- **Expanding Early Care and Education** - develop a comprehensive system of high-quality, accessible and affordable early childhood education
- **Preserving & Increasing Affordable Housing** – focus on eviction and homelessness prevention, tenant education, limitations on rental increases, and rental assistance
- **Building Bus Rapid Transit** – focus on high quality, frequent, reliable transit option for Montgomery County
- **Fighting Climate Change** - goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions Countywide 80% by 2027 and achieve zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2035 – while prioritizing racial equity, social justice, and public health
- **Improving Economic and Community Development** – focus on economic recovery and workforce development
- **Reimagining Public Safety** - identify and address implicit bias and institutional racism in all aspects of the public safety system
- **Advancing Racial Equity & Social Justice** - through legislation, budget appropriations, supplemental appropriations, training for employees
COVID-19 Response and Recovery Programs

- **Rental Assistance & Homelessness Prevention:** $44 million in Assistance Provided To Date
- **Small Businesses:** Over $25 million in Direct Assistance
- **Economic and Tourism Revitalization:** $25 million
- **Expanding the Working Families Income Supplement Program:** $25 million
- **Food Security:** $25 million
- **Child Care Assistance:** Over $15 million
- **Emergency Assistance for Families:** $11 million
- **Direct Aid to Hospitals:** $10 million
- **Targeted Health Programs to Underserved and Hardest Hit Communities:** $24.4 million
- **Creation of a Mobile Health Clinic to Address Health Disparities:** $900,000
COVID-19 Vaccinations & Testing

Montgomery County Ranks #1 Nationwide Percentage of 12 years + population fully vaccinated among all U.S. Counties with > 300,000 residents

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS: CDC

Montgomery County continues to rank #1 nationwide for % of 12+ population fully vaccinated among all U.S. Counties with > 300K residents.

% OF COUNTY RESIDENTS VACCINATED

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Data reflect vaccinations up to 9/27/21

% OF COUNTY RESIDENTS VACCINATED BY AGE

- At least 1
- Both Doses or J&J

- 65+: 100% 99%
- 12+: 98% 89%
- 12-17: 69-98% 78-86%

CONTEXT: CONFIRMED COVID CASES PER 100K RESIDENTS

Number of cases per 100,000 persons in the past seven days:

- Substantial transmission: 76
- 7-day avg. cases per 100k:
  - 65+: 70
  - 12+: 163
  - 12-17: 103

Percentage of 12-17 year olds vaccinated reported as 90% confidence range because of higher margin of error. In this age group, 80,718 have received their first dose and 70,300 have received their second dose as of 9/27/2021.
COVID-19 Testing

DHHS data reflect tests administered up to 9.26.21; subject to retroactive changes.
Source: DHHS, as of 9.27.21.
COVID-19 Vaccinations & Testing

Montgomery County Ranks #1 Nationwide for 12 years + population fully vaccinated among all U.S. Counties with > 300,000 residents

- Fully Vaccinated (as of 9/27/2021)
  - 98.7% of Total Population
  - 89.4% of > 12 years of Age
  - 89.8% of > 18 years of Age
  - 96.1% of > 65 years of Age

- Testing Successes (as of 9/26/2021)
  - 335,530 - Administered (March 8 through Sept 20)
  - 5,796 – Administered (during the last 7 days)
Federal Response

- $388 million in direct aid to County
- $424 million for MCPS
- $75 million for Montgomery College
- $70 million for transit services
- $75 million in rental assistance & eviction prevention
- $5.5 billion for state government
Applying Multiple Lenses

- **FY23 Operating Budget Development Process**
  - **Racial Equity Lens** - Expand the development of a Budget Equity Tool
  - **Climate Change Lens** - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions Countywide 80% by 2027 and achieve zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2035 (*Climate Action Plan released June 2021*)
  - **Employee Input Lens** – Review ideas from County employees
  - **Community Participation** – Listen to ideas from the community
Applying Multiple Lenses

- **Climate Change Momentum**
  - Environmental Sustainability
  - Microgrid Initiative – clean and renewable energy sources
  - Electric Ride On buses – 14 in service and forthcoming, with 59 total by 2025
  - Goal – All Electric Fleet by 2035
Get Vaccinated!

Walk into County-run clinics without an appointment.
Get Tested!

FREE COVID-19 TESTING

- No Doctor’s Order or Appointment Needed
- Locations Around Montgomery County

MoCoCOVIDTesting.org
240-777-1755
QUESTIONS

If you have any additional questions, please contact the respective Regional Services Center Director from the five regions.

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