

**MEMORANDUM**

March 29, 2022

TO: Health and Human Services Committee

FROM: Essie McGuire, Senior Legislative Analyst

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget, Montgomery County Government, Department of Health and Human Services, \$1,172,584 for Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic Grant (Federal Funds)

PURPOSE: Update and worksession; vote expected

***Expected Attendees:***

Emily Brown, Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)  
Representatives from DHHS and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

On March 23, 2022, the County Council received a recommendation from the County Executive (see ©1) to approve a FY22 special appropriation for the Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Epidemic Grant. A draft resolution is attached on ©2-3. The Council introduced this appropriation on March 29, 2022, and public hearing is tentatively scheduled for April 19, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

This Federal grant is to support health equity community events and an awareness campaign to expand testing and treatment access for those at risk and living with HIV. The grant will also support a satellite clinic in Germantown to improve access to prevention and care services for upcounty residents.

In December, 2020, DHHS released [“A Plan to End HIV in Montgomery County,”](#) a plan in alignment with the Federal *Ending the HIV Epidemic* Initiative. DHHS staff will provide an update to the Committee on current efforts in this initiative, and how these Federal grant funds will align with and support this work.

**This report contains:**

- County Executive Transmittal Memorandum ©1
- Draft Appropriation Resolution ©2-3




OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich  
County Executive

MEMORANDUM

March 23, 2022

TO: Gabe Albornoz, President  
Montgomery County Council

FROM: Marc Elrich, County Executive 

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation #22-68 to the FY22 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Department of Health and Human Services  
Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic Grant  
\$1,172,584 (Source of Funds: Federal Grant Funds)

I am recommending a Special Appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in the amount of \$1,172,584 for Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Epidemic grant. This Appropriation will fund the HIV Program staff and services to meet the the Federal Ending the HIV Epidemic Initiative goals to reduce new HIV infections by 90 percent by 2030.

This increase is needed to support health equity community events and an HIV awareness ad campaign to expand testing and treatment access for those at risk and living with HIV. Additionally, it will support a satellite clinic in Germantown to improve access to prevention and care services for upcounty residents.

The funding source for this appropriation is from the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration of the Department of Health and Human Services. The funds were allotted to the District of Columbia's Department of Health to support Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and the District of Columbia.

I recommend that the County Council approve this Special Appropriation in the amount of \$1,172,584 and specify the source of funds as Federal Grant Funds.

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Attachment: Special Appropriation #22-68

c: Raymond L Crowel, Psy.D., Director, Health and Human Services  
Jennifer R. Bryant, Director, Office of Management and Budget  
Earl Stoddard, PhD, MPH, CEM, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer

Resolution No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Introduced: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

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Montgomery County Government  
Department of Health and Human Services  
Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic Grant  
\$1,172,584 (Source of Funds: Federal Grant Funds)

**Background**

1. Section 308 of the Montgomery 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. The County Executive has requested the following FY22 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Health and Human Services:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$233,059	\$939,525	\$0.00	\$1,172,584	Federal Grant Funds

3. This increase is needed to support health equity community events and a HIV awareness ad campaign, to expand testing and treatment access for those at risk and living with HIV. Additionally, it will support a satellite clinic in Germantown to improve access to prevention and care services for upcounty residents.
4. The source of funding for this appropriation is from the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration of the Department of Health and Human Services. The funds were allotted to the District of Columbia's Department of Health to support Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and the District of Columbia.

5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

**Action**

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

1. A special appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$233,059	\$939,525	\$0.00	\$1,172,584	Federal Grants Funds

2. The County Council declares that this action is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency and that this appropriation is needed to meet the emergency.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Clerk of the Council