



Committee: Directly to Council
Committee Review: N/A
Staff: Vivian Yao, Legislative Analyst
Purpose To introduce agenda item – no vote expected
Keywords: DHHS

AGENDA ITEM #18G
July 12, 2022
Introduction

SUBJECT

Supplemental Appropriation #23-2 to the FY23 Operating Budget Montgomery County Government Department of Health and Human Services National Suicide Prevention Hotline Transition to 988 Lifeline Call Center Grant, \$517,608 (Source of Funds: Grants Funds)

EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- Introduction. Public Hearing and Action are scheduled for July 26, 2022.

DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

The Supplemental Appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) FY23 Operating Budget of \$517,608 will fund the Montgomery County, Maryland Crisis Hotline and Online Emotional Support text and chat services in the transition of the National Suicide Prevention Hotline Transition to the 988 Lifeline Call Center. The funds will support operational and administrative costs related to supplying Lifeline/988 hotline services, technology/phone equipment and services, and related expenses associated with electronic health records

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- This funding is needed to support EveryMind as it transitions to the 988 Lifeline Call Center.
- The grant funding is provided through the Maryland Behavioral Health Administration.

- The non-competitive contract for EveryMind, Inc. is already included in Section G of Resolution 19-1285 that the Council approved for FY23.

This report contains:

Memo from the County Executive
Appropriation Resolution

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich
County Executive

MEMORANDUM

July 5, 2022

TO: Gabe Albornoz, President
Montgomery County Council

FROM: Marc Elrich, County Executive 

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #23-2 to the FY23 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
National Suicide Prevention Hotline Transition to 988 Lifeline Call Center Grant,
\$517,608 (Source of Funds: Grants Funds)

I am recommending a supplemental appropriation to the FY23 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$517,608 for the National Suicide Prevention Hotline Transition to the 988 Lifeline Call Center Grant. This appropriation will fund the Montgomery County, Maryland Crisis Hotline and Online Emotional Support text and chat services in their transition to 988.

This increase is needed to support EveryMind as it transitions to the 988 Lifeline Center. Through the Behavioral Health Administration, the State of Maryland provides these funds to help cover operational and administrative costs related to supplying Lifeline/988 hotline services, technology/phone equipment and services, and related expenses associated with electronic health records.

The non-competitive contract for EveryMind, Inc. is already included in Section G of Resolution 19-1285 that the Council approved for FY23.

I recommend that the County Council approve this supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$517,608 and specify the source of funds as Grant Funds.

I appreciate your prompt consideration of this action.

ME:dl

Enclosure: Supplemental Appropriation #23-2

cc: Raymond L. Crowel, Psy.D., Director, Health and Human Services
Jennifer R. Bryant, Director, Office of Management and Budget

Resolution No: _____
Introduced: _____
Adopted: _____

COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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

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Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
National Suicide Prevention Hotline Transition to 988 Lifeline Call Center Grant,
\$517,608 (Source of Funds: Grant Funds)

Background

1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation shall be recommended by the County Executive who shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of five Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.
2. The County Executive has requested the following FY23 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>
\$0	\$517,608	\$0	\$517,608	Grant Funds

3. This increase is needed to support EveryMind as it transitions to the 988 Lifeline Call Center. Through the Behavioral Health Administration, the State of Maryland provides these funds to help cover operational and administrative costs related to supplying Lifeline/988 hotline services, technology/phone equipment and services, and related expenses associated with electronic health records.
4. 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 supplemental appropriation to the FY23 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>
\$0	\$517,608	\$0	\$517,608	Grant Funds

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Judy Rupp
Clerk of the Council