

Resolution No.: 16-302  
Introduced: September 18, 2007  
Adopted: September 25, 2007

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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By: County Council at the request of the County Executive

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**SUBJECT:** \$250,000 Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund (MEDAAF) Grant to Replenish the Montgomery County Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund

**Background**

1. In order to replenish the County's Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund (the "Fund"), the County Executive endorses a grant of \$250,000 from the State of Maryland under the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund (MEDAAF), which is authorized by Section 5-1401 through 5-1412 of Article 83A, Maryland Code.
2. MEDAAF provides conditional grants/loans to local jurisdictions or businesses engaged in eligible industries locating or expanding in a "priority funding area" in the State of Maryland. Proceeds of the grants/loans may be used by the borrowers to cover part of eligible project-related costs, including leasehold improvements or the purchase of new furniture and equipment.
3. The County is required to match the MEDAAF grant by contributing \$250,000 of the County's funds to the Fund.
4. The Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund was started in Fiscal Year 2001. From the inception of the Fund until now, the Fund has assisted twenty-three small businesses in the County with loans totaling nearly \$1.5 million:
5. Section 5-1405, Article 83A, Maryland Code, provides that the "governing body" of Montgomery County ("the County") must endorse the granting of a MEDAAF grant for the project by adopting a resolution.
6. The County has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Montgomery County that the County should continue the Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund and accept the MEDAAF grant.
7. The County Executive requests endorsement of the MEDAAF grant by the County Council.

Action

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

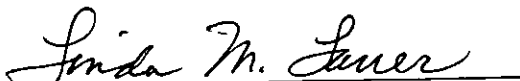
The County Council fully endorses acceptance of the State of Maryland's \$250,000 MEDAAF grant for the purpose of replenishing Montgomery County's Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund.

The County Executive and/or other appropriate officials of the County may execute the grant agreement and other related financing documents between the County and the State of Maryland's Department of Business and Economic Development, enabling the County to receive the \$250,000 MEDAAF grant from the State.

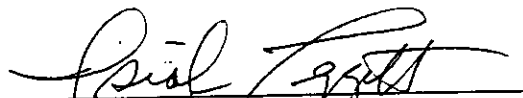
The County Council concurs in the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development's actions to set aside \$250,000 in available funds from the County's Small Business Revolving Loan Program Fund and/or the County's Economic Development Fund, and such funds shall be used by the County to match the \$250,000 MEDAAF grant from the State.

This Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption in accordance with applicable law.

This is a correct copy of Council action:

  
Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

  
Isiah Leggett, County Executive