

Resolution No.: 16-1098
Introduced: July 21, 2009
Adopted: July 28, 2009

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation #10-278 to the FY10 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Department of Health and Human Services
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act - Immunization Activities, \$245,000

Background

1. Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that a special appropriation: (a) may be made at any time after public notice by news release; (b) must state that the special appropriation is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency or to act without delay in the public interest; (c) must specify the revenues necessary to finance it; and (d) must be approved by no fewer than six members of the Council.
2. The County Executive has requested the following FY10 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>
\$194,661	\$50,339	\$0	\$245,000	Federal AARA Grant Funds

3. This increase is needed because American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding has been made available through the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Community Health Administration, to increase the number of children vaccinated against vaccine-preventable diseases. This will be a school-based initiative to dispense influenza vaccine, similar to the 1950's polio vaccine outreach to school children. It is estimated that 32,000 children will be vaccinated in this effort and that this will reduce the incidence of influenza in the school-age population. Since flu epidemics normally start in this age group, the effects of managing disease in this population will have beneficial effects for the entire community. This grant includes the creation of a term Community Health Nurse that will serve as the coordinator of the vaccination project. Services will also be provided by eight substitute Community Health Nurses (pulled from the current School Health Group Position) and eight substitute School Health Room Aides (pulled from the current School Health Room Aide Group Position). This is a formula grant that will cover a ten month period in FY10 and an eight month period in FY11.
4. The County Executive has requested a special appropriation to the FY10 Operating Budget in the amount of \$245,000 for ARRA funds for Immunization Activities and specifies that the source of funds will be Federal ARRA grant funds.
5. The public was notified by a news release.

Action

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

1. A special appropriation to the FY10 Operating Budget of the Department of Health and Human Services is approved as follows:

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2. Any funds appropriated in this resolution must not be spent for any purpose until two days after the Council has received from the County Executive a copy of the grant award letter from the Federal or state government which provides all funds to be spent.
3. The County Council declares that this action is necessary to act without delay in the public interest, and that this appropriation is needed to meet the emergency.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council