

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

RESOLUTION NO. 44 - 2020

Introduced by: The President of the Council at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ACCEPT GRANTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS ON BEHALF OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR WICOMICO COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Circuit Court for Wicomico County has received grant awards from the Administrative Office of the Courts of \$72,690.07 for security upgrades to the Wicomico County Circuit Court, in the amount of \$266,037.00 for Family Services personnel and services, in the amount of \$318,000.00 for Adult Drug Court personnel and services, and in the amount of \$3,273.00 for COVID barriers, and expects to receive a grant award in an amount up to \$54,553.00 for additional security upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned grants are pass-through grants from the State of Maryland that do not require a county match; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 709 indicates the Council, upon the request of the County Executive, may make additional or supplementary appropriations during the fiscal year from revenue receipts in excess of those budgeted, provided that the Director of Finance shall first certify in writing that such funds are available for appropriation; and

WHEREAS, the Council understands the intent of Charter Section 709 is for the Director of Finance to certify appropriations in excess of those budgeted, not pass-through funds from the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive recommends acceptance of the grant awards in those amounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland, that the County is authorized to accept and disburse on behalf of the Circuit Court for Wicomico County ("Circuit Court") grant funds from the Administrative Office of the Court ("AOC") as follows:

1. \$72,690.07 for Circuit Court security upgrades pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the AOC and the Circuit Court dated April 20, 2020.
2. \$266,037.00 to support the Circuit Court Family Services Program during FY2021 pursuant to the undated Grant Award No. G21JU2325I made by the AOC to the Wicomico County, MD Government.
3. \$318,000.00 to support the Problem-Solving Court program ("adult drug court") during FY2021 pursuant to the undated Grant Award No. G21PS2025U made by the AOC to the Circuit Court.

4. \$3,273.00 for COVID barriers pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the AOC and Circuit Court dated May 27, 2020.
5. \$54,553.00 for additional security upgrades pursuant to the request submitted to the AOC by the Circuit Court, as the "MOU Partner," dated May 20, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland, as follows:

1. The Wicomico County Circuit Court shall administer the expenditure of the grant funds unless otherwise directed or agreed by the Council.
2. This resolution and the action taken by Council herein are subject to proper compliance with the conditions specified Chapter 29, Article II, titled "Grant Funds" of the County Code, following the passage of this resolution.
3. The aforementioned grants are pass-through funds from the State of Maryland going to the Wicomico County Circuit Court that do not require a local match and, therefore, do not require certification by the Director of Finance to the County Council.
4. This resolution does not establish or authorize any County employee position.

DONE at Salisbury, Maryland this 16th day of June, 2020.

ATTEST:

Laura Hurley
 Laura Hurley, Council Administrator

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO
 COUNTY, MARYLAND
Larry W. Dodd (SEAL)
 Larry W. Dodd, Council President

CERTIFICATION

THIS RESOLUTION was Adopted ✓, Adopted with Amendments _____, Failed _____, Withdrawn _____ by the County Council on _____, 2020.

Certified by *Laura Hurley*
 Laura Hurley, Council Administrator