

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

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RESOLUTION NO. 98-2020

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

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACTING COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO APPLY AND ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$1,027,708.00 FROM THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, THROUGH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG-CV) FOR ACTIVITIES TO PREVENT, PREPARE FOR AND RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS.

WHEREAS, through the CARES Act, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development was awarded \$16,144,887.00 for activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus crisis, specifically including rental assistance and eviction prevention; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, through the Community Development Block Program, may award the Wicomico County Department of Planning and Zoning and Community Development grant funds in an amount up to \$1,027,708.00 to assist low and moderate income persons through rental assistance and eviction prevention; and

WHEREAS, the Council understands that the Acting County Executive will review carefully the entire award document and will promptly notify all key staff about the award requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Chapter 29, Article II (Grant Funds) of the Wicomico County Code prescribed in Section 29-20.B the procedure by which the County Council may by resolution appropriate "unanticipated grant revenue" from grants not included in the Annual Budget and Appropriation Bill; and

WHEREAS, the grant award will not require an appropriation of local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on September 15, 2020, to receive input on proposed projects for the Community Development Block Grant Program FY21; and

WHEREAS, after a duly advertised public hearing, the County Council of Wicomico County has determined that the projects would serve the interest of all citizens and especially those citizens of low and moderate income; and

WHEREAS, the public will be provided an opportunity to review and comment on the completed grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland, that the Acting County Executive is hereby authorized to apply and accept a grant award in an amount up to \$1,027,708.00 from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, through the Community Development Block Grant Program, for the following project:

1. Rental Assistance - \$943,360.00
2. Project Administration - \$84,348.00

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

1. The Wicomico County Department of Planning, Zoning and Community Development shall administer the expenditure of the grant funds.
2. This Resolution and the action taken by Council here are subject to proper compliance with the conditions specified in Chapter 29, Article II, title "Grant Funds" of the County Code, following the passage of this Resolution.
3. The aforementioned grant from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, through the Community Development Block Grant Program, to the Department of Planning, Zoning and Community Development will not require an appropriation of local matching funds and, therefore, will 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 15th day of September, 2020.

ATTEST:



Laura Hurley, Council Administrator

COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO
COUNTY, MARYLAND

 (SEAL)

Larry W. Dodd, Council President

CERTIFICATION

THIS RESOLUTION was Adopted , Adopted with Amendments _____, Failed _____,
Withdrawn _____ by the County Council on September 15, 2020.

Certified by 

Laura Hurley, Council Administrator