

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2020, Legislative Day No. 12

Bill No. 56-20

Mrs. Cathy Bevins, Chair
By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, May 12, 2020

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

The 2019-2020 Current Expense Budget
Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund
Coronavirus Relief Fund
Emergency Measure

FOR the purpose of amending the 2019-2020 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from federal funds and made available to the County through the U.S. Department of Treasury as a result of the COVID-19 public health catastrophe and public safety emergency; and providing for the effective date of this Act.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Treasury has made an award of federal funds available to the Baltimore County, Maryland, to be used to offset reasonable and necessary expenses attributable to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 306 and 712 of the Baltimore County Charter and Section 10-6-102 of the Baltimore County Code, 2015, as amended, the County Council may accept gifts and grants, appropriate same to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund and expend the same, said fund having been established solely for the purpose of accounting for certain monetary gifts and grants made available to the County for restricted purposes; and

WHEREAS Section 308(f) of the Baltimore County Charter provides that by the affirmative vote of a majority plus one of the total number of county council members established by the Charter any law or ordinance shall be declared an emergency measure affecting the public health, safety or welfare, in which event the same shall take effect from the date of enactment; and

WHEREAS, such fund remains open perpetually as a mechanism to account for the respective gift and grant appropriations and expenditures throughout the entire term of the grant period, including beyond the current expense budget fiscal year; now therefore

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, pursuant to the power and authority conferred upon it by Sections 306
3 and 712 of the Baltimore County Charter and Section 10-6-102 of the Baltimore County Code,
4 2015, as amended, that the Current Expense Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, be
5 and is hereby amended by appropriating federal funds made available to Baltimore
6 County Office of Budget and Finance, in the amount herein specified, to the following program:

1 005-006-20CV Coronavirus Relief Fund \$144,369,685

2 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act having been passed by
3 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council is declared an emergency measure
4 affecting the public health, safety or welfare and shall take effect from the date of enactment.