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Public Hearing June 1, 2020  
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Executive Action June 2, 2020  
Effective Date June 7, 2020

## County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 9

Bill No. 34 -2020

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT making emergency appropriations pursuant to Section 610(b) of the Howard County Charter and amending the Annual Budget and Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2020 in order to receive grant funding pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; and declaring that this Act is an Emergency Bill necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property.

Introduced and read first time May 27, 2020. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on June 1, 2020.

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on June 1, 2020 and Passed , Passed with amendments , Failed .

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 2nd day of June, 2020 at 11:30 a.m./p.m.

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive June 2, 2020

Calvin Ball  
Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1           **WHEREAS**, Council Bill No. 24-2019 (CB24) is known as the Annual Budget and  
2 Appropriation Ordinance of Howard County, Fiscal Year 2020 and contains the capital and  
3 operating budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020; and  
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5           **WHEREAS**, because of the health emergency related to COVID-19, Congress recently  
6 passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act which, in part,  
7 provides financial aid to local jurisdictions to assist in the response to the public health and  
8 economic impacts of COVID-19; and  
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10           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Health Department (HCHD) and Howard County  
11 Government have been notified that HCHD will be receiving \$28,415,197 from the CARES Act  
12 through a grant from the State of Maryland, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and  
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14           **WHEREAS**, the funding received by the HCHD will be used to cover eligible health-  
15 related costs incurred in the response to COVID-19 by both HCHD and Howard County  
16 Government, including but not limited to, the costs associated with short term hires and overtime  
17 to support COVID operations, the purchase of Personal Protection Equipment, costs related to  
18 testing and treating uninsured individuals, and other miscellaneous costs; and  
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20           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Government has also been notified that it will be  
21 receiving an additional \$28,415,197 from the CARES Act through a grant from the State of  
22 Maryland, Department of Budget and Management; and  
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24           **WHEREAS**, the funding received by the Howard County Government will be used to  
25 cover eligible costs incurred in response to COVID-19; and  
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27           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Office of Transportation (“OT”) has also been notified  
28 that it will be receiving up to \$7,461,399 from the CARES Act through a grant from the Federal  
29 Transit Administration; and  
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31           **WHEREAS**, the funding received by the OT will be used to cover transit related operating

1 expenses and a revenue shortfall from transit fares.

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3 **WHEREAS**, grant authority needs to be created in the Fiscal Year 2020 budget in order  
4 for Howard County Government to receive grant funds from:

5 (1) the HCHD (as the grantor on behalf of the State Department of Health and Mental  
6 Hygiene) for a grant in the amount of approximately \$28,415,197;

7 (2) the State Department of Budget and Management for a grant in the amount of  
8 approximately \$28,415,197; and

9 (3) the Federal Transit Administration for a grant in the amount of approximately  
10 \$7,461,399; and

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12 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 610(b) of the Howard County Charter, this Emergency  
13 Bill is necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property.

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15 **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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17 ***Section 1. Be It Enacted*** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the following  
18 *emergency appropriation of grant funds is authorized and approved for the fiscal year beginning*  
19 *July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, as shown in the attached Exhibit A.*

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21 ***Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted*** that the Grant Fund total for Fiscal Year 2020 is  
22 *amended to be \$89,541,587 as shown in the attached Exhibit A*

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24 ***Section 3. And Be It Further Enacted*** that new page 98A shall be inserted into and page 114  
25 *shall be amended, both of the Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget attached to Council Bill No.*  
26 *24-2019, as shown in the attached Exhibit A.*

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28 ***Section 4. And Be It Further Enacted*** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland that  
29 *this Act is adopted as an emergency measure to address an immediate emergency affecting*  
30 *public health, safety, or welfare and having been passed by two-thirds of its members, this Act*  
31 *shall be effective immediately upon its enactment.*

**Howard County, MD**  
**Fiscal Year 2020**

**FY 2020 Proposed**

**Fund : 14 - Grants Fund**

**Department : 1300 - Department of Finance**

**Fund : 260000000 - Grants-External**

Fund Center 1310000000 – Office of the Controller

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<u>50 – Personnel Costs</u>	<u>20,112,800</u>
<u>51 – Contractual Services</u>	<u>5,026,000</u>
<u>52 – Supplies and Materials</u>	<u>3,276,397</u>
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>28,415,197</u></b>

99999999910000000113300 - Cares Act Grant - HD

<u>50 – Personnel Costs</u>	<u>20,112,800</u>
<u>51 – Contractual Services</u>	<u>5,026,000</u>
<u>52 – Supplies and Materials</u>	<u>3,276,397</u>
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>28,415,197</u></b>

Fund Center 3220000000 – Transit Operations

99999999910000000113500 - Cares Act Grant - FTA

<u>51 – Contractual Services</u>	<u>7,461,399</u>
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>7,461,399</u></b>

