

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2026 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 6

Resolution No. 77-2026

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

Short Title: Howard Community College – Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget

Title: A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2027 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.

Introduced and read first time May 4, 2026.
By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on May 18, 2026.
By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments , Failed , Withdrawn , by the County Council on May 20, 2026.

Approved by the County Executive on May 26, 2026
Certified By Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator
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**, the County Executive has proposed a County-share of the Howard
2 Community College Fiscal Year 2027 operating budget totaling \$47,210,050; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, debt service on outstanding bonds issued by the County for the Community
5 College in Fiscal Year 2027 is projected to be \$15,395,390; and

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7 **WHEREAS**, \$14,554,650 in debt service will be paid directly by Howard County
8 government; and

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10 **WHEREAS**, OPEB for the Community College beyond PAYGO amount is paid directly
11 by the County government and for Fiscal Year 2027 totals \$265,661; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, for Fiscal Year 2027, a portion of pension liabilities for the Community
14 College, which used to be paid by the State, in the amount of \$301,579 is paid directly by the
15 County government; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, Section 16-301 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
18 requires the County governing body to review and approve the budget of the Community College;
19 and

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21 **WHEREAS**, Section 16-301 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of
22 Maryland requires that the operating budget approved by the governing body shall include all
23 revenues estimated for the next fiscal year classified by funds and sources of income, including
24 any funds from federal, State, and local sources; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, Section 16-304 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
27 requires the County governing body to make appropriations for the Community College by major
28 functional categories.

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30 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
31 Maryland, this 20 day of May, 2026 pursuant to Sections 16-301 and 16-304 of

1 the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, that it approves the Fiscal Year 2027
2 budget of the Howard Community College in the total amount of \$232,174,904, of which the
3 County share is \$47,210,050, and that appropriations are made for the major functional
4 categories as attached hereto and incorporated herein.

HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2027

REVENUES

Functional Category	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Plant Fund	County Fund	Agency Fund	Total
Tuition and Fees	45,778,802	173,200	1,855,510	0	0	47,807,512
County Share	47,210,050	2,135,000	0	0	0	49,345,050
State of Maryland	34,939,725	4,743,904	0	0	0	39,683,629
Federal	0	34,449,429	0	0	0	34,449,429
Other/Unrestricted	32,392,064	1,025,142	10,985,230	0	127,559	44,529,995
Auxiliary Revenue	1,237,399	0	0	0	0	1,237,399
Contingency	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	161,558,040	42,526,675	12,840,740	0	127,559	217,053,014
Debt Service	0	0	0	14,554,650	0	14,554,650
OPEB	0	0	0	265,661	0	265,661
Pension	0	0	0	301,579	0	301,579
Total	161,558,040	42,526,675	12,840,740	15,121,890	127,559	232,174,904

EXPENDITURES

Functional Category	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Plant Fund	County Fund	Agency Fund	Total
Instruction	61,477,213	4,420,080	0	0	0	65,897,293
Public Service	1,316,687	3,899,266	0	0	0	5,215,953
Academic Support	19,892,323	3,731,060	0	0	0	23,623,383
Student Services	16,772,515	1,676,191	0	0	0	18,448,706
Facilities	22,215,067	520,000	12,000,000	0	0	34,735,067
Institutional Support	32,297,692	500,000	0	0	0	32,797,692
Scholarships	5,349,144	27,410,013	0	0	0	32,759,157
Agency Funds	0	0	0	0	127,559	127,559
Auxiliary Expenses	1,237,399	370,065	0	0	0	1,607,464
Contingency	1,000,000	0	0	0	0	1,000,000
Subtotal	161,558,040	42,526,675	12,000,000	0	127,559	216,212,274
Debt Service	0	0	840,740	14,554,650	0	15,395,390
Principal	0	0	598,670	9,466,860	0	10,065,530
Interest	0	0	242,070	5,087,790	0	5,329,860
OPEB	0	0	0	265,661	0	265,661
Pension	0	0	0	301,579	0	301,579
Total	161,558,040	42,526,675	12,840,740	15,121,890	127,559	232,174,904

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on
May 26, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on _____, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on _____, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on _____, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on _____, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on _____, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council