

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2025, Legislative Day No. 18

Bill No. 78-25

Mr. Michael Ertel, Chairman
By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, November 3, 2025

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

The 2025-2026 Current Expense Budget

001-A0313117-CC311700

001-A0343408-CC340800

001-A0393902-CC390246

001-A0595902-CC590200

001-A0676701-CC670100

FOR the purpose of amending the 2025-2026 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the General Fund monies derived from unexpended and unencumbered General Fund balance.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 712 of the Baltimore County Charter, the County Council may make additional appropriations from unexpended and unencumbered funds set aside for contingencies in the county budget, or from revenues received from sources not anticipated in the budget for the current fiscal year; and

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 federal government was shut down on October 1, 2025, and has announced numerous layoffs of federal employees, non-payment of wages to certain federal employees, and the termination of SNAP and other benefits to recipients; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland has declared a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the federal shutdown threatens lives and health in Baltimore County, requiring Baltimore County to call all of its resources into limited or long-term activation; now therefore

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND, pursuant to the power and authority conferred upon it by Section 712 of the Baltimore County Charter, that the Current Expense Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, be and is hereby amended by appropriating unreserved, undesignated General Fund Surplus in the amount herein specified, to the following programs, to make grants to or purchase from various programs that provide food:

001-A0313117-CC311700	Department of Social Services General Funds	\$300,000
001-A0343408-CC340800	Department of Aging General Funds	\$350,000
001-A0393902-CC390246	Department of Rec & Parks General Funds	\$100,000
001-A0595902-CC590200	Organizational Contributions General Funds	\$500,000
001-A0676701-CC670100	Housing and Community Development General Funds	\$3,250,000

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the agreements entered into with
2 the providers of such programs shall require the return of any unspent funds should the federal
3 government reopen.

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5 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
6 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect November 3, 2025.



LEGISLATION DETAIL

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DISPOSITION

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EFFECTIVE

AMENDMENTS

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