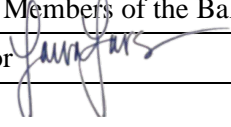




CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Laura Larsen, Budget Director 
DATE	May 5 th , 2025
SUBJECT	25-0047 Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation – M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795 (Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents) – \$206,822

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400

Position: Position: Support

The Department of Finance is herein reporting on City Council Bill 25-0047 Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation – M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795 (Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents) – \$206,822, the purpose of which is to increase the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriation of Federal Funds by \$206,822 to M-R Office of Employment Development, Service M-R Office of Employment Development.

Background

The proposed ordinance amends the Fiscal 2025 budget by appropriating \$206,822 in State grant funding in the Mayor’s Office of Employment Development-Service 795 Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents. The agency was awarded funds from the Maryland Department of Labor through the Recovery-Friendly Workplace pilot. This program seeks to provide funding to educate the business community about the benefits of providing resources for employees struggling with substance use disorder, and for job seekers in recovery that have barriers to employment because of their previous struggles with substance use.

Fiscal Impact

The funds will be appropriated in Service 795-Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents. These funds will be used to create two positions to support this program (Certified Peer Recovery Specialist and Recovery Job Developer). Additional funds from this grant are included in the agency’s Fiscal 2026 budget.

Conclusion

This supplemental appropriation is required to authorize agency spending beyond the amount enacted in the Ordinance of Estimates. The grant funding was not included in the Fiscal 2025 Ordinance of Estimates because the agency was not notified about the grant award until after the budget was adopted. Authorizing this legislation will allow the agency to access the grant funds.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Finance supports City Council Bill 25-0047.

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