

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 26-0169
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)
Introduced and read first time: April 6, 2026
Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Mayor's Office of Homeless Services, Department of Housing and Community Development

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation –**
3 **M-R Office of Homeless Services – \$2,000,000**

4 FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the
5 amount of \$2,000,000 to M-R Office of Homeless Services – Service 895 (Temporary
6 Housing for the Homeless), to provide funding for rental assistance and supportive services
7 through rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention for homeless individuals and families
8 in the City of Baltimore; and providing for a special effective date.

9 BY authority of
10 Article VI - Board of Estimates
11 Section 8(b)(2)(ii) and (c)
12 Baltimore City Charter
13 (1996 Edition)

14 **Recitals**

15 The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents a grant from the State of Maryland's
16 Department of Housing and Community Development in excess of the revenue relied on by the
17 Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year
18 2026.

19 That grant could not have been expected with reasonable certainty when the Ordinance of
20 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2026 was formulated.

21 On April 1, 2026, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City
22 Council.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That
2 \$2,000,000 shall be made available to M-R Office of Homeless Services – Service 895
3 (Temporary Housing for the Homeless) as a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation
4 for Fiscal Year 2026, to provide funding for rental assistance and supportive services through
5 rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention for homeless individuals and families in the City
6 of Baltimore. The source of revenue for this appropriation is the grant from State of Maryland's
7 Department of Housing and Community Development in excess of the amount from this source
8 that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the
9 budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

10 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
11 enacted.