

ORDINANCE NO. 2503

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF THE GRANT FUND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO OPERATE THE SALSIBURY-WICOMICO FIRSTCARE TEAM (SWIFT).

WHEREAS, the Wicomico County Health Department (WiCHD), in conjunction with the City of Salisbury, applied for funds through the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC) grant program; and

WHEREAS, the CHRC has awarded the WiCHD funds in the amount of \$90,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the WiCHD is sub-granting \$50,000.00 to the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the sub-granted funds shall be used to operate the Salisbury-Wicomico Firstcare Team (SWIFT); and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury must enter into a sub-grant agreement with the WiCHD defining how these funds must be expended; and

WHEREAS, § 7-29 of the Salisbury City Charter prohibits the City from entering into a contract that requires an expenditure not appropriated or authorized by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this grant must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, THAT THE City's Grant Fund Budget be amended as follows:

- 1) Increase Swift Grant Revenue by \$50,000
- 2) Increase Swift Grant Expense by \$50,000

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2018, and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, was finally passed by the Council on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

ATTEST:

  
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Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk

  
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John R. Heath, President  
Salisbury City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of SEP, 2018.

  
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Jacob R. Day, Mayor

**To:** The Mayor & City Council  
**From:** Nancy Talbott, Grants Coordinator  
**Subject:** FY19 MCHRC Grant for the SFD's SWIFT program  
**Date:** September 7, 2018

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In conjunction with the City of Salisbury, the Wicomico Health Department applied for an award to the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission to fund the Salisbury Wicomico Firstcare Team (SWIFT) for two years. The Health Department was awarded funding, and out of the total award of \$90,000, the City will be receiving \$50,000 as a sub-grantee. These funds will be used to pay for the salary and benefits of the EMS employee assigned to this team, in addition to various pieces of equipment for the operation of the program.

At the July 23, 2018 City Council Meeting, Resolution 2853 was accepted to authorize Mayor Day to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the health department. Since that time, however, it has been advised that an ordinance is required to properly create the related appropriation of funds. I've attached the signed resolution for your review.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Attachment:

AS AMENDED ON JULY 23, 2018  
Resolution No. 2853

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE WICOMICO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING SUB-GRANTED FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Wicomico County Health Department (WiCHD), in conjunction with the City of Salisbury, applied for funds through the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC) grant program; and

WHEREAS, the CHRC has awarded the WiCHD funds in the amount of \$90,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the WiCHD is sub-granting \$50,000.00 to the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the sub-granted funds shall be used to operate the Salisbury-Wicomico Firstcare Team (SWIFT);

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury must enter into a sub-grant agreement with the WiCHD defining how these funds must be expended; and


WHEREAS, § 7-29 of the Salisbury City Charter forbids the Mayor from entering into a contract that requires an expenditure not appropriated or authorized by the City Council; and

~~WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this grant must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury;~~

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland does hereby ~~appropriate the necessary funds and~~ authorize Mayor Jacob R. Day to enter into a grant agreement with CFES ~~and expend the awarded funds accordingly.~~

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2018 and is to become effective immediately.

ATTEST:

  
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Kimberly R. Nichols  
CITY CLERK

  
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CITY COUNCIL VICE-  
PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY ME this 6<sup>th</sup> day of AUG, 2018.

  
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Jacob R. Day  
MAYOR



**To:** The Mayor & City Council  
**From:** Nancy Talbott, Grants Specialist  
**Subject:** FY19 MCHRC Grant for the SFD's SWIFT program  
**Date:** July 24, 2018

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The Wicomico County Health Department, in conjunction with its partners, the Salisbury Fire Department and Peninsula Regional Medical Center, has created the Salisbury Wicomico Firstcare Team (SWIFT) utilizing the successful Mobile Integrated Health – Community Paramedicine model. SWIFT consists of a SFD emergency medical technician, a WiCHD nurse practitioner, and a PRMC registered nurse. This team will make home visits to frequent utilizers of 911 EMS for non-emergency reasons. Without SWIFT, these individuals' subsequent transportation to PRMC would further overburden the emergency department and may lead to avoidable hospitalizations. This strain on resources not only inhibits these entities' ability to serve their truly emergent patients, but also expends limited financial resources. By proactively addressing the needs of these patients, be that a lack of a primary care physician, unsafe living conditions, or abuse and neglect, the SWFIT can both improve the health outcomes of their patients and decrease their use of these emergency services.

In conjunction with the City of Salisbury, the Wicomico Health Department applied for an award to the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission to fund this program for two years. Out of the total award of 90,000, the City will be receiving \$50,000 as a sub-grantee of the health department to pay for the salary and benefits of the EMS employee assigned to this team, in addition to various pieces of equipment for the operation of the program.