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From: Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard, President
Office of the President
Subject: **Update on County Budget Appropriation for FY20**
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The Montgomery County Council met yesterday to complete its deliberations for the FY20 budget for the county, including funding for Montgomery College. The council voted to fully fund the College's budget request, which means the College will receive just under \$3.1 million in new funding from the county for FY20, the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2019. This funding approval helps us keep tuition affordable and opportunities accessible, while ensuring equity in student excellence and success, and supports our faculty and staff who work tirelessly each day to deliver on this mission.

On the College's capital budget, the council approved \$95 million in spending for capital projects in FY20, which includes construction for the Catherine and Isiah Leggett Math and Science Building, and the design funding for the library. Both of these projects are located at the Takoma Park/Silver Campus. The council also approved more than \$279 million in spending over the six years of the capital improvements program, which includes funds for a future Student Services Center at the Germantown Campus. Additionally, the council approved a reduction of \$1.5 million for information technology projects planned in the College's FY20 capital budget.

The county council is scheduled to give final approval to these budget decisions at its May 23 meeting. The MC Board of Trustees will take final action to allocate our FY20 funding at its meeting on June 17.

I will keep you updated as the budget process concludes for FY20. Thank you for your continued dedication to the College and our students!