

Climate Change Non-Departmental Account
Monthly Reporting

In May 2020, County Council approved reporting language in its Operating Budget miscellaneous provisions of Resolution 19-472 with regards to the Climate Change NDA:

This resolution appropriates \$400,000 to the Climate Change Planning Non-Departmental Account (NDA). Funds in this NDA must be used for the prioritization of greenhouse gas reduction strategies, developing an implementation plan to meet the County’s goal of an 80 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2027 and a 100 percent reduction by 2035, and to develop climate change adaptation strategies. Only after the previously described work is completed may funds be used for other climate change-related initiatives. The Executive must transmit within 15 days after the end of a month a report on the previous month’s expenditures from this account.

In accordance with the resolution, the Executive hereby transmits the monthly report for November 2020.

FY21 Climate Change NDA expenditures reporting:

(includes expenditures incurred through 12/2/20):

Expenditure Description	Amount
Resilience Ambassador pilot and listening sessions (resilience surveys to inform the climate plan and operating expenses)	\$5,588.26
Climate planning outreach and communications	\$600.00
Total:	\$6,188.26

November 2020 highlights:

- Climate Planning update: The Draft Climate Action Plan (CAP), funded with FY20 Climate Change NDA funds, neared completion in November. Subsequently on December 14, the Draft Climate Action Plan was released and will be open for public comment through the end of February 2021. The Draft CAP is available at <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/climate>. The Plan will be finalized in the spring of 2021.
- Two Requests for Information (RFIs) Issued:
 - Electric Vehicle Group Buy Program RFI: The County is looking to establish an Electric Vehicle (EV) Group Buy program to harness the power of volume purchasing and reduce costs to residents of buying or leasing an EV—an important tool in reducing emissions. To structure the program in an effective and equitable way, the County issued an RFI. We want input from individuals and

organizations with experience relevant to EV Group Buy programs or more general experience and knowledge of EVs. Responses to the [Request for Information](#) are being accepted through December 31, 2020. An Electric Vehicle Group Buy Forum will be scheduled after responses are received and evaluated. For more information:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/green/Resources/Files/climate/rfi-ev.pdf>

- RFI for Zero Emission Technologies for Purchase, Lease, and Service of Transit Buses and Other Supporting Infrastructure Applications: The Department of General Services (DGS) seeks to obtain information and determine the market availability of companies that have the experience, capability, equipment and funding capacity necessary to provide Zero Emission Transit Buses and Charging Infrastructure as a purchase, service, lease or other to Montgomery County. Potential Contractor(s) would be required to work with The Department of General Services (DGS) in partnership with the Department of Transportation (MCDOT) in pursuing alternatives to conventional methods of procuring Battery Electric Buses (BEBs), Fuel Cell Electric Buses (FCEBs) and/or other Zero Emission technologies that may exist at the time of purchase and implementation. This County initiative will include providing vehicles, charging/fueling infrastructure, energy storage, operational management and maintenance of the charging/fueling infrastructure to be purchased, and/or leased by Montgomery County Government, DGS. The County is interested in a full-service solution, as well as an understanding of components of the whole, so we encourage Contractors to provide information on these and bundled solutions as well. Responses to this RFI are being accepted through December 18, 2020. For more information: <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/DGS-FMS/Resources/Files/Zero%20Emission%20infrastructure%20and%20Bus%20Final.pdf>

For more information:

A description of the FY21 Climate Change NDA budget allocation is available at:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/green/Resources/Files/climate/fy21-climate-nda-budget.pdf>

The complete list of the County's FY21 climate initiatives is available at:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/green/Resources/Files/climate/fy21-montgomery-county-climate-work-plan.pdf>