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Maryland’s Children’s Cabinet Awards \$1.5 Million to Montgomery County Collaboration Council to expand services for local youth

ROCKVILLE, MD- The Maryland’s Children’s Cabinet, along with the Governor’s Office for Children - a division of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention, awarded \$1,592,169 to the Montgomery County Collaboration Council supporting existing programs and expansion of new services for children and families across the county.

“We are excited to support new services for local youth,” said Terrill North, Executive Director of Collaboration Council. “The Maryland Children’s Cabinet and Governor’s Office for Children have been great partners in lifting up Montgomery County kids for decades.”

New initiatives include the opening of the Montgomery County Reengagement and Homeless Youth Drop-in Center serving East County and Wheaton and the expansion of afterschool programming in East County and Gaithersburg. The Reengagement Center will house GED and job training services for disconnected youth, aged 16 – 24, provided by Latin American Youth Center and Identity, Inc. Separately, Crittenton Services of Greater Washington will expand its Goal Setting Girls Program to White Oak, Frances Scott Key, and Gaithersburg Middle Schools.

“This is a wonderful partnership that we are so grateful to lead,” said Siobhan Davenport, Executive Director of Crittenton Services of Greater Washington. “Our young ladies will learn new skills they will use in high school, college and life -- the whole girl.”

The Maryland’s Children’s Cabinet coordinates the delivery of child and family-focused services in the state through the funding of local management boards, or LMBs) in each county and Baltimore City. The Collaboration Council is the designated LMB for Montgomery County.

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About Collaboration Council

The Montgomery County Collaboration Council is a 501(c) 3 organization established in 1992, under Maryland State law and serves as the Local Management Board in Montgomery County. The council is a catalyst and nonpartisan broker of public and private funds, established to lead partnerships that support county youth programs and initiatives.