



Memorandum

TO: SATPAL SIDHU, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

FROM: Regina A. Delahunt, Director

DATE: 1/17/2020

RE: Resolution to establish income eligibility designation for use of the Veterans Assistance Fund

Background and Purpose

During the February 11th County Council meeting a resolution to continue the income standards for eligibility of Veterans receiving financial assistance from the Veterans Assistance Fund will be presented for action. In 2018, the County Council established 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI) as the eligibility standard. County Council asked to review this standard once it had been implemented for a year. 60% of the 2019 AMI for an individual is \$2,770 monthly and for a family of four it is \$3,995. This change in eligibility has improved the county's ability to support a broader group of Veterans. Some of that support includes, but is not limited to helping them to remain housed, cover costs of utilities, transportation and medical bills, as well as to support their educational and career goals.

The resolution presented intends to confirm this standard henceforth for Veterans receiving financial assistance from the Veterans Assistance Fund. At any point in time, the County Council can review this income eligibility standard and make changes as necessary to ensure broad support for our community's Veterans in need.

