

Department of Legislative Services  
 Maryland General Assembly  
 2025 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE  
 Third Reader - Revised

Senate Bill 880

(Senator Guzzone, *et al.*)

Budget and Taxation

Appropriations

Governor's Office for Children - Boys and Girls Clubs of Maryland - Grant  
 Funding

This bill requires, for fiscal 2027 through 2030, the Governor to include \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for the Governor’s Office for Children (GOC) to provide grants to fund operating expenses of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maryland. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2025.**

Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** No effect in FY 2026. General fund expenditures increase by \$250,000 annually in FY 2027 through 2030, consistent with the bill’s mandated funding requirement. Revenues are not affected. **This bill establishes a mandated appropriation for FY 2027 through 2030.**

(in dollars)	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditure	0	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Net Effect	\$0	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)

*Note: () = decrease; GF = general funds; FF = federal funds; SF = special funds; - = indeterminate increase; (-) = indeterminate decrease*

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

Analysis

**Current Law:** GOC provides a coordinated, comprehensive, interagency approach to (1) promoting the well-being of children and families through a network of supports,

programs, and services that are family- and child-oriented and (2) reducing the number of children living in poverty. Led by a Special Secretary, GOC activities include staffing the Children’s Cabinet; administering the Children’s Cabinet Interagency Fund; administering the Engaging Neighborhoods, Organizations, Unions, Governments, and Households program and fund; providing technical assistance to local management boards; improving community health and safety with its partners; and measuring results for child well-being.

**State Expenditures:** General fund expenditures increase by \$250,000 annually for fiscal 2027 through 2030, reflecting the mandated appropriation for GOC to provide grants to fund operating expenses of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maryland. GOC advises that it can provide these grants with existing staff resources.

The Department of Legislative Services notes that the fiscal 2026 budget as passed by the General Assembly includes \$1.0 million for GOC for the purpose of providing an operating grant to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maryland to expand services and \$80,000 for GOC to provide a grant to the Boys & Girls Club of Southern Maryland. In recent years, funding has been provided in the budget for *specific* Boys & Girls Clubs. Although funding for similar purposes may have been appropriated absent the bill, this estimate accounts for the full amount of the mandated appropriation.

**Additional Comments:** Founded in 1906, Boys & Girls Clubs of America aim to enable all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. There are 16 Boys & Girls Clubs in Maryland.

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### Additional Information

**Recent Prior Introductions:** Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

**Designated Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** Governor’s Office; Department of Budget and Management; Department of Legislative Services

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