

Department of Legislative Services  
 Maryland General Assembly  
 2025 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE  
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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 fiscal 2025 budget as passed by the General Assembly included approximately \$1.7 million to fund certain Boys & Girls Clubs in Maryland; specifically, the budget included \$1.5 million for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Baltimore and \$150,000 for the Boys & Girls Club of Southern Maryland. The fiscal 2026 budget as introduced does not include funding for Boys & Girls Clubs in the State.

**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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