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DATE: February 5, 2024
TO: County Executive Marc Elrich
Chief of Police Marcus Jones
FROM: Councilmember Evan Glass
SUBJECT: Expanded Locations for Private Security Camera Incentive Program

In an effort to address residents' public safety concerns over the last year, the Council approved \$255,000 in FY24 to fund the Private Security Camera incentive program. This allocation was to support rebates for approximately 1,020 cameras. As of January 24, the Montgomery County Police Department has received only 170 applications and approved 100 within the designated "priority areas".

While these participation numbers are encouraging, my office has heard from residents across the county who are interested in the program, but do not qualify under the current geographic criteria.

Therefore, I am requesting an expansion of the program's "priority areas" to include a wider geographic area surrounding downtown centers as well as a re-examination of current crime trends to determine whether other locations may be included.

The Council allocated these funds so that county residents and businesses can safeguard their properties and deter crime. I hope that more residents and business owners can utilize this program so that we may collectively create safer neighborhoods. I look forward to discussing additional short and long-term solutions to ensure every individual feels safe in our county.

CC: Montgomery County Councilmembers
Rich Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer
Earl Stoddard, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer