

County Executive
of
Howard County, Maryland

Executive Order: 2014-08
Dated: June 26, 2014
Subject: Follow-up activities for the
Howard County Transition Council for
Youth with Disabilities

WHEREAS, on or about April 26, 2013, the County Executive issued Executive Order 2013-04 establishing the Howard County Transition Council for Youth with Disabilities (the "Original Council"); and

WHEREAS, the Original Council was charged with the task of establishing an effective, efficient, and comprehensive delivery of services that will most successfully meet the transition needs of Howard County students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Original Council created a mission statement to capture the passion of its work: "*A community that values each student's abilities and provides diverse college, career, and community opportunities that lead to individual success.*"; and

WHEREAS, while maintaining a focus on their overall mission, the Original Council identified five main goals ranging from paid employment for all students with disabilities, family and community knowledge about support services, education for businesses about the needs of students with disabilities, exposure to post-secondary institutes such as colleges or training programs, and expanding hiring practices of county businesses to include students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 2013-04, the Original Council issued its report to the County Executive on May 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 2013-04, the Original Council ceases to exist on June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Original Council notes that there are “many areas yet to be addressed” including improving outcomes through education and improving outcomes through employment; and

WHEREAS, the Original Council wishes to continue their work considering the important issues facing the County’s students with disabilities as the students transition to adult services, postsecondary education, and employment; and

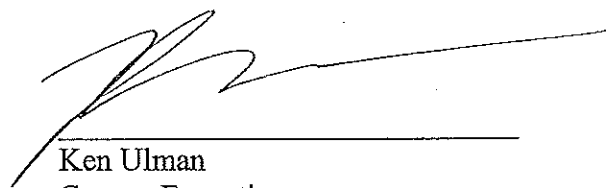
WHEREAS, the County Executive shares the Original Council’s desire to continue their work and, specifically, to address those items noted by the Original Council that had not been finished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the County Executive of Howard County, Maryland that a “Continuing” Howard County Transition Council for Youth with Disabilities is created and charged with the completing follow-up activities as referenced in the Original Council’s May 22, 2014 report and shall complete those items on or before December 31, 2015.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the “Continuing” Council shall consist of the same members included in Executive Order 2013-04.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the “Continuing” Council shall cease to exist on December 31, 2015 and the terms of the Task Force members shall expire on December 21, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Ken Ulman, as County Executive of Howard County, Maryland have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Howard County to be affixed this 26th day of June, 2014.



Ken Ulman
County Executive