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MONTGOMERY COLLEGE
Office of the President

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MEMORANDUM

To: Montgomery College Colleagues

From: Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard, President

Subject: Montgomery College 2020 and FY17 Initiatives

We are in the third year of our seven-year strategic plan, *Montgomery College 2020*. After the Board of Trustees approved it in 2012, we have focused our annual planning and budgeting efforts on the vision of the plan and its five themes.

Montgomery College 2020 describes broad goals in "preferred futures" in each theme. Those goals are actualized through initiatives that are articulated for each year through 2020 in the plan documents, which are posted at my website.

Each fall I will ask the College community to examine the initiatives for the forthcoming planning and budgeting effort to affirm them or offer refinements based on our accomplishments as well as evolving needs. Specifically, this fall it is time to review Fiscal Year 2017 initiatives. Note that while we are in FY15 and we will be advocating for our FY16 budget this winter, next spring and summer we will plan and budget for FY17. With our examination of the initiatives now, I can review and approve any refinements to our strategic direction before formal collegewide work on the FY17 budget begins. With our new three-year budgeting process now in place, budgeting this year has addressed FY16–18. During the next budgeting cycle, FY17–19 will be addressed.

I ask you to take a moment to visit the feedback website and review the FY17 initiatives in *Montgomery College 2020*. Please consider all of them, but especially those you are involved with or support, and offer feedback through the online form. I encourage governance councils to look at the plan, involve constituents in conversation, and submit feedback as a council. The more thoughtful feedback we have, the stronger the plan becomes. Of course, while the focus is on FY17 initiatives, refinements could impact subsequent years as well and such impacts will be considered. Please provide your feedback by the Wednesday before Thanksgiving break, November 26.

If you have any questions on this effort, please contact Chief of Staff/Chief Strategy Officer Stephen Cain at stephen.cain@montgomerycollege.edu or 240-567-1796.

Thank you for your efforts in planning for the future and thank you for everything you do every day to fulfill our mission of empowering students to change their lives.