

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Locust Point Community Garden		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Ferguson	Clippinger	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore City	\$50,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Locust Point Community Garden		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Senator Bill Ferguson		bill.ferguson@senate.state.md.us
Dave Arndt		240-328-7383
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Founded in 1972, the Locust Point Civic Association (LPCA) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated in the State of Maryland created to promote and protect the common interests of the residents of Locust Point. Those eligible to be members of the LPCA are defined as follows: All people 18 years or older residing in the area bounded by Lawrence Street on the west and the Patapsco River to the north, south and east. The purpose of the Association is to promote and encourage cooperative spirit, neighborhood relations and participation in community affairs; actively inform, serve and represent residents interests in regard to civic and City events, laws, regulations and safety; foster neighborhood pride, safety, beautification and monitor development activity; and honor and preserve the historic nature and serve as a repository for local information.</p>		

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

Locust Point Community Garden was established in 2018 and is a cherished resource in our community. It is a space for residents to come together, grow their own food, and learn about the importance of environmental stewardship. We have over 100 garden members from South Baltimore and overwhelming support of the Locust Point neighborhood. Under Armour decided to sell the garden space, forcing us to vacate the property as of Dec. 15th, 2023. The City of Baltimore has shown support by providing a space for a new garden at Latrobe Park. The site is an undeveloped field; so, we need to install water lines, fencing, raised garden beds, add topsoil, create paths, lighting and other gardening elements. This will be an area for community engagement and growth of fresh fruits and vegetables. The space is adjacent to Francis Scott Key School (FSK, Title I School), and we look forward to continuing our programs to use as a classroom for Baltimore.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$0
Construction	\$90,000
Equipment	\$3,000
Total	\$93,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Private donations -gardeners/residents/ greene lovers	\$18,000
Green Grants	\$10,000
Corporate donations	\$15,000
State of Maryland through LBI process	\$50,000
Total	\$93,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
12/2023	5/2024	5/2024	8/2025
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site		17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
16000.00	This number is difficult to		The garden plots themselves will
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Locust Point Civic Association 841 E. Fort Avenue, Unit 210 Baltimore, MD 21230		Latrobe Park Baltimore MD 21230	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	46 - Baltimore City		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	none	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:			
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	0	3000.00	3000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
Locust Point Civic Association	TBD	TBD	TBD
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
City of Baltimore, Dept. Rec and Parks	TBD	TBD	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	n/a		
Space to be Renovated GSF	n/a		
New GSF	n/a		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

n/a

28. Comments

The LPCA is working with the City of Baltimore on a long term lease and the exact size (footprint) of the garden at Latrobe park. We expect the lease to be finalized in the next two months.

The vision of the Locust Point Community Garden is to create a place where residents of all abilities will build friendships and promote health, well-being and sustainability through inclusive community activities. Our mission is that the garden will be a welcoming outdoor community place where the focus is on people, sustainable organic gardening, learning, teaching and healthy food choices.

Our Values are to be welcoming, respectful, inclusive, innovative, collaborative, enthusiastic, and fun.

To achieve our Vision and Mission, We will:

- allow members to participate in decision making and to consider the social and community impacts of the decision
- work with and through others committed to building healthy and active communities
- develop partnerships and networks with government, community, public and private sector
- focus on the sustainability of programs and initiatives over the longer term
- act against discrimination treating everyone as equal and with respect

Our Community Garden will:

- promote exercise and enjoyment of the outdoors
- provide relaxation and alleviate stress through personal and group endeavors
- connect people in our neighborhood and throughout Baltimore
- encourage intergenerational and inter-cultural interactions and learning
- enable access to fresh nutritious food
- offset greenhouse emissions by decreasing food miles
- provide a means of action locally on global issues
- beautify the community
- be a champion for climate, environmental and social justice issues