

State of Maryland

Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate Bill #	House Bill #	2. Name of Bill
SB198	HB145	Red Wiggler Community Farm
3. Senate Bill Sponsors		House Bill Sponsors
Senators Garagiola, Forehand, Frosh, Grosfeld, Hogan, Kramer, Mooney, Ruben and Teitelbaum		Delegates Feldman, Cryor, and Dumais
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)		5. Requested Amount
Montgomery County		\$150,000
6. Purpose of Bill		
Authorizing the creation of a State debt, the proceeds to serve as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Red Wiggler Community Farm for the renovation, repair, construction, and reconstruction of the Red Wiggler Community Farm		
7. Matching Fund Requirements		
The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act.		
8. Special Provisions		
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization		
Red Wiggler cultivates meaningful employment for adults with developmental disabilities through the business of growing and selling vegetables. Additionally, youth with and without disabilities participate in all aspects of the growing cycle. The third element of our mission is environmental stewardship. (e.g. using organic farming principles)		
10. Description and Purpose of Project		
To build a 2000 square foot LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified Community Center and office space to be the hub of our activities. This will enable our program to expand and meet the needs of a growing population		
<i>Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 11 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 12 (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.</i>		
11. Estimated Capital Costs		
Acquisition		
Design		\$40,000
Construction		\$380,000
Equipment		
	Total	\$420,000
12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)		
	Source	Amount
	State Bond Bill SB198/HB145	\$150,000
	Montgomery County Grant	\$150,000
	Private Foundation Grants	\$100,000
	Individual Donors	\$20,000

Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
3 staff /11 paid clients	5 staff /16-22 clients	\$180,000	\$250,000
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer’s Office for bond issuance purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease the property to be improved?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			N/A
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			no
D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	20 years		
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	320 GSF of temporary office space (see comments below)		
Space to Be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	2000 GSF		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			
28. Comments:			
Red Wiggler has just relocated to Ovid Hazen Wells Park where we are housed in temporary office space (a converted milk barn which neither has the space nor the facilities for long term operation). This construction project is critical for both our short term and long term operations to be successful.			