

State of Maryland

2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3256	SB1003		HB1728	Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City - Helping Up Mission
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Sen. Della				Del. McHale
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore City				1,000,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Helping Up Mission, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a new dormitory space for the Helping Up Mission.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
This bill requires a matching fund that may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act. No part of the fund may consist of real property or in-kind contributions.				
8. Special Provisions				
The bill requires the grantee to convey to the Maryland Historical Trust a perpetual preservation easement to the extent of its interest in the property. No part of the proceeds of the bonds or the matching funds may be used for sectarian religious purposes.				

9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)

Founded in 1885, Helping Up Mission provides hope to Baltimore's poor, homeless, and chemically dependent men through programs designed to meet their individual physical, psychological, social, and educational needs. Established as a non-denominational 501(c)(3) organization, Helping Up Mission provides compassionate care to all in need, without consideration of race, sex, economic or religious status.

Helping Up Mission has successfully assisted thousands of individuals to overcome addiction, get their lives back on track, and become positive contributors to society. While Helping Up Mission's residential program is for men only, the organization provides needy women with food, clothing and other emergency help throughout the year. In addition, for over 50 years, Helping Up Mission has sponsored a week-long summer camp at Camp Wabanna in Annapolis, Maryland for over 70 inner-city children at no cost to their families.

Part of Helping Up Mission's uniqueness is its recognition that serving homeless people goes beyond providing basic food and shelter. As one of the city's largest and most successful residential recovery program, Helping Up offers a continuum of services that address each facet of an individual's recovery, including: 12 step program; medical and legal services; GED prep, job search skills and career counseling; job placement; and transitional housing.

There are currently 170 men enrolled in Helping Up Mission's one-year, residential Recovery Program. This comprehensive program offers men the tools and time necessary to achieve a full and lasting recovery... empowering them to rise above the issues that led to their homelessness. The residential program provides a structured environment that incorporates family, community and career in an effort to help transform patterns of destructive behavior into patterns for wholesome living.

During the first six months of the Recovery Program, participants are 100% focused on getting established in their recovery. Men attend 12-step meetings and counseling. In addition, men are assigned a role within the Mission (aka: work therapy), which allows them to apply the principles they learn to daily life situations. Once participants complete the sixth month of the program, they are eligible to seek outside employment, while continuing to reside at the Mission. Upon completion of the one-year program, participants are honored as graduates and are free to seek housing in the community or move into "House of Freedom," Helping Up Mission's Graduate Transitional Housing facility. For the next two years, graduates who live in the mission facility are allowed continued access to mission services, and are subject to mandatory drug testing.

Helping Up Mission also offers short-term support through Emergency Overnight Services (EOS). EOS provides food, showers, clothing, shelter, chapel services and employment for 35-70 homeless men each night.

10. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)

The Helping Up Mission seeks the State of Maryland's assistance as we begin a capital campaign that will fund the cost of building renovations to retrofit the E. Baltimore Street properties. Currently the Recovery Program allows for 150 participants. Upon completion of the project, 60 new beds will be added to the program. The kitchen which now can hold approximately 100 people and serves about 600 meals a day will be able to accommodate 283 people at one seating. On average, we anticipate serving 850 meals per day.

Some of the areas that will be addressed and will enhance program member's quality of life include:

- The HVAC is no longer adequate in cold weather or in the heat of the summer. The temperature control and ventilation is substandard, unhealthy and must be replaced.
- The electrical wiring is old and over loaded, and potentially a safety hazard.
- New emergency fire escapes are needed -- another safety hazard if left unattended.
- The plaster in the dorm and restroom area is falling from the walls and the ceilings.
- The restrooms and showers need new walls, floors, lighting and fixtures.
- The building is not Handicap accessible and must be upgraded to meet Code.
- The cafeteria and kitchen are too small for the amount of residents. It is not functional and is obsolete. There is a lack of adequate refrigeration and freezer space.
- Fifty men are sleeping on the auditorium floor every night until new bed space is available.

Helping Up Mission's one-year Recovery Program which has a 70% success rate takes addicts from homelessness to employment. Success is defined as two years following the one-year Recovery Program; the graduates are drug-free and alcohol-free and are employed.

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.

11. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	910,000
Design	211,000
Construction	2,838,000
Equipment	320,000
Total	4,279,000

12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Source	Amount
Helping Up Mission Board Pledges	1,845,000
Door Step	50,000
Abell Foundation	250,000
Kelly Family and Kelly & Associates	50,000
Injured Workers Insurance Fund	1,250
T Rowe Price	100,000
Total	2,296,250

13. Project Schedule

Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
8/30/05	2/15/06	6/15/06	6/15/07

14. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2006		15. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site		16. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete	
2,296,250		600 Recovery Program; 50 Transitional Housing; 15,000 Emergency Overnight beds used		600 in the Recovery Program; 50 Transitional Housing; 15,000 Emergency Overnight beds	
17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years					
Legislative Session		Amount		Purpose	
2004		1,300,000		Department of Housing and Community Development for the renovation of Helping Up Mission's Transitional Housing Program (the former GBMC medical center).	
18. Legal Name and Address of Grantee			Project Address (If Different)		
Helping Up Mission			1023 East Baltimore Street		
19. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone		Email Address
Robert K. Gehman			410-675-2977		Bgehman@helpingup.org
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located				46	
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)					
Local Govt.		For Profit		Non Profit	
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
22. Grantee Legal Representative			23. If Match Includes Real Property:		
Name:		Jim McFaul		Has An Appraisal Been Done?	
Phone:		410-821-8395		Yes/No	
				Yes	
Address:			If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value		
305 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 100 Baltimore, Maryland 21204			5/12/04		875,000 - appraised value
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site					
Current # of Employees		Projected # of Employees		Current Operating Budget	
20		22		2,700,000	
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)					
A. Will the grantee <u>own</u> or <u>lease</u> (pick one) the property to be improved?					Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?					No
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
N/A			
E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF			85,000
Space to Be Renovated GSF			35,000
New GSF			120,000
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			2006-2007
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			