

State of Maryland

2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3501	SB956	2430	HB1135	Creation of a State Debt – Queen Anne's County-Chesapeake Marine Trades School
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Sen. Pipkin				Del. Sossi, et.al.
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Queen Anne's County				\$400,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt to serve as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Chester Bridge Foundation, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of a workforce training facility at the Chesapeake Marine Trades School.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
\$100,000. The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the matching fund may consist of real property. The fund may consist of in kind contributions or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
None.				
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Chester Bridge Foundation, Inc. (CBFI) is a non-profit community development corporation which exists for, and is committed to promoting and improving the economic health and quality of life in the upper and middle Eastern Shore counties while attracting opportunities for its citizens and the entire region.</p> <p>CBFI's vision is to assist the upper and middle Eastern Shore counties as a center of growing economic prosperity and superior quality of life in the region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sustained by a dynamic business environment that encourages public and private investment and provides attractive career opportunities; • enhanced by an exceptionally safe rural community offering attractive and affordable housing and infrastructure, quality education, cultural activities and recreational opportunities to ensure family well-being and youth development • promoted by the rich history of our towns and the diversity of their populations. <p>Begun in 1996 to provide enriching activities for young adolescents in the community, the organization has expanded its mission to initiate programs in the area of workforce training and employment opportunities, as well as entrepreneurship. CBFI focuses its efforts to start and oversee these initiatives, to provide development and fundraising capabilities, and promote their long-term success. As the initiatives mature, they are allowed to spin off into their own independent organizations, allowing CBFI to begin other initiatives in pursuit of its mission.</p>				

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

Chesapeake Marine Trades School (CMTS) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) workforce development initiative on Maryland's Eastern Shore that offers hands-on technical training in all areas of marine industry trades as well as for entry-level deckhand in commercial maritime.

In the State of Maryland, the economic impact of the marine and recreational industries represents a total employment of 27,069 jobs with boat owners spending \$2,107,235,301 in boat purchases and an additional \$1,556,655,860 in related spending during 2004. Also in August 2004, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR) published a study of the marine industry. The results conclude that by 2012, there is a projected 31% increase in employment opportunities within the marine industry. These entry-level jobs represent a starting salary of approximately \$15/hour and with appropriate experience increases in the future to amounts in excess of \$40-\$50/hour. Currently there are very limited, if any at all, training opportunities for individuals interested in entering the marine industry.

The availability of appropriate job training in Maryland will create opportunities for students not college-bound and individuals re-entering the workforce, resulting in diverse, trained, and skilled professionals for the marine and recreational boating industries. This will retain and attract more boat owners to Maryland for convenient and affordable repair and maintenance services, in turn benefiting the State's economy. In the commercial maritime arena, the success of tug operators, who are an integral part of the Port of Baltimore, one of Maryland's largest economic engines, are also experiencing grave difficulty in attracting entry-level employees into the industry. With only one month's training, an entry-level employee has numerous opportunities to earn in excess of \$30,000 per year.

With support from industry and government leaders in Maryland, a 15,000 square foot training facility is now under construction at the new Matapeake Maritime Center on Kent Island, just 15 miles east of Annapolis. The facility will offer hands-on training in state-of-the-art laboratories and classrooms, and will also provide secure, designated facilities for manufacturers' proprietary training.

CMTS supports marina/boatyard and commercial maritime industries by advocating both industries as viable career choices for recent high school graduates, career changers, and non-violent parolees. CMTS is also partnering with Chesapeake and Cecil Community Colleges to offer continuing education courses that provide retraining and skill enhancement in the latest marine technology.

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	
Design	\$150,000
Construction	\$350,000
Equipment	\$400,000
Total	\$900,000

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

Source	Amount
MD Dept of Labor, Licensing and Regulation	\$200,000
USDA, Rural Development	\$200,000

Marine industry employers			\$100,000
MD General Assembly Bond Bill			\$400,000
Total			\$900,000
13. Project Schedule			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
OCT05	MAR06	APR06	JAN07
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
\$154,000		0	60 full time students
17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
None	None	None	
18. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Chester Bridge Foundation, Inc.		P O Box 960 Chestertown, MD 21620	
19. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone	Email Address
Michael Thielke, executive director		410-810-8870	mthielke@cbfi.org
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			36th
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	None	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:			N/A
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

3	10	\$100,000	\$800,000
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?			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	
R W M Enterprises, Inc.	10 years	automatic extensions for two additional five-year periods with terms and conditions	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	0		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	15,000 sq ft		
New GSF	15,000 sq ft		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			2006
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			
The building to be equipped and outfitted is located on the property of the old Bay model at Matapeake (adjacent to the DNR training facility at Matapeake) and is owned in part by the State of Maryland and Queen Anne's County. The State and County are supportive of this project. To date, all money raised for operating and program expenses has primarily been raised from private donations - a limited resource. To get this project operating in a reasonable amount of time will require significant funding for equipment and outfitting			