

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
1556	SB123	1554	HB353	Human Resources Development Commission Senior Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Edwards				Allegany County Delegation
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Allegany				\$500,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Grant to the Board of Directors of the Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc. for the construction of a low-income, community senior center.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
Grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
None				
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone	Email Address
Leslie Colbrese			301-777-5970, Ext. 123	lcolbrese@allconet.org

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

Since 1965, the Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc. (HRDC) has been providing support and essential services to low-income and elderly residents. Through our 40 year history as Allegany County's designated Community Action Agency and Area Agency on Aging, HRDC has been a fundamental force dedicated to the well being of individuals, families, and the community; providing diverse, individualized services that make significant and lasting impacts in people's lives. HRDC, a nonprofit Community Action Agency in Allegany County, strives to eliminate social and economic barriers to promote individual and community stability through services, advocacy and collaboration.

The organization has a proven track record of operating effective and efficient programs. HRDC administers approximately twenty-five programs supported by thirty-six local, State and Federal contracts that create a total annual agency budget of \$7 million. It contracts with the following State and Federal agencies to provide services to disadvantaged individuals: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development; Maryland State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. In addition to administering the contracts, HRDC also serves as an advocate for the low-income and elderly programs which benefit those individuals. The organization strives to bring new essential services within reach to those in need, to put control of those services in the hands of people who know best how to administer them and to act as an advocate for those who have been neglected.

As a private nonprofit corporation, HRDC is governed by an 18-member volunteer tripartite Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is a policy making board represented by one member of each specific sector. One-third of the Board represents the public sector, one-third represents the private sector and one-third are representatives of the low-income. As directed by the Board of Directors, HRDC's history reflects many benchmarks of achievement resulting from innovative approaches to meeting the community needs and quality of program management and service delivery.

HRDC utilizes hundreds of volunteers and collaborates with both the public and private sector to leverage resources and provide quality services that meet the needs of the community. HRDC distributes over \$3 million in direct benefits to community residents annually through the following services: affordable housing, housing for the frail elderly, meals and activity centers for seniors, day care programs for disabled adults, work placement programs for those hard to employ, assistance with heating and electric costs, Head Start and Early Head Start program services, tax assistance, weatherization services, child care programs, homeless services, asset building programs and services for county nursing home residents and incapacitated adults.

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

The project is the creation and construction of a new Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission (HRDC) Community and Senior Center. The new facility is to be constructed on an existing metered parking lot located on Virginia Avenue in Cumberland, MD. The two and half story brick and cut stone building, approximately 20,000 square foot, is designed to accommodate a senior center, community center room(s), a fitness center, common lobby, commercial kitchen, and program offices. The construction of a new facility to house the Cumberland Senior Center and HRDC’s central offices will enable HRDC to provide more holistic services to the target population. Currently individuals receiving HRDC services are required to go through multiple doors at satellite program offices to receive services. This creates barriers for individuals to receive necessary services and barriers for staff to provide services. Also, the layout and structure not only prevents HRDC from expanding services from the facility it creates barriers from those seeking services to gain access to the building. In addition, after thorough research, it was determined by the Board of Directors that there were no existing properties that could accommodate the needs of the seniors and the HRDC central offices.

HRDC is currently located in a City-owned historic building near the Baltimore Avenue development in Cumberland. Due to its features and location, developers have expressed great interest in the building. The property, located near the downtown Walking Mall, which has experienced a renaissance over the last decade, is considered to be very valuable given its location and historic architecture and is to be sold by the City of Cumberland. HRDC understands that the property is vital to future business development and acknowledges that as a nonprofit organization, HRDC’s occupancy in the building limits future business development. The City of Cumberland believes that the construction of a new facility for HRDC, the community and the Cumberland Senior Center will not only spark an interest but will provide a solid leader for the Virginia Avenue Corridor Revitalization efforts.

The City has offered HRDC a parcel of property located on Virginia Avenue and has held 3 public meetings to discuss the project. The response has been overwhelmingly in favor of the construction of the new building as a means to meet the needs of HRDC and spark and interest in the distressed area of Virginia Avenue. As the first new development in this area in decades, HRDC’s project combined with its agreement to take an active leadership role in redevelopment of the area will create a fundamental foundation for the redevelopment.

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.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$100,000
Design	447,000
Construction	2,828,000
Equipment	
Total	\$3,375,000

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

Source	Amount
Community Legacy	\$200,000
HRDC	\$200,000
HUD - Section 108	\$1,400,000
City of Cumberland	\$100,000

Allegany County		\$200,000	
State CDBG		\$250,000	
City CDBG		\$100,000	
Local Support		\$125,000	
ARC		\$300,000	
MD State Bond		\$500,000	
Total		\$3,375,000	
14. Project Schedule			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
3/30/07	6/15/07	9/1/07	9/1/08
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2007		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
\$250,000		7,000	7,775
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc. 19 Frederick Street Cumberland, MD 21502		125 Virginia Avenue Cumberland, MD 21502	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			
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:	Douglas G. Reinhard	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-777-2772		Yes
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
13 Canal Street Suite 404 Cumberland, MD 21502		July 2006	\$100,000
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
45	47	\$8,694,219	\$
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (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
E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF			
Space to Be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	19,495		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			