

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
1771	SB369	3009	HB987	Forest Heights Municipal Building
3. Senate Bill Sponsors			House Bill Sponsors	
Muse			Valderrama	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount	
Prince George's			\$300,000	
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt to serve as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights for the repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Forest Heights Municipal Building.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
None.				
8. Special Provisions				
None				
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone		Email Address
Larry Stoner		301-839-1030		townclerk.fh@verizon.net
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights serve a municipality of Prince George's County, Maryland. The Mayor and Town Council represent both the executive and legislative branches of the town government and are headquartered in the proposed renovation project site. This site is utilized for all administrative, governmental, and legislative functions for the residents of the municipality and is also made available for youth, elderly and other social programs to citizens in the Town of Forest Heights. This project will allow the Mayor and Town Council to provide its citizenry with an enhanced facility where social programming and governmental functions can be efficiently administered.</p>				
11. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Town of Forest Heights Town Hall has been in disrepair for decades. Nevertheless, it is the only public facility in the municipality. It is utilized for youth programs, elderly programs, social functions, and governmental administration. However, it remains in disrepair with a constantly leaking roof, outdated utility components (plumbing and electrical), and deteriorating façade. The functionality of the facility is inadequate and hinders the day to day operations and extracurricular usage (social, cultural & youth) for the citizens. The facility is 5,000 square feet evenly divided into two floors (2,500 square feet per floor) connected by a stairway. This stairway provides a challenge to our many elderly citizens attempting to access the upstairs chambers for functions. Furthermore, the roof leaks in several locations within the main upstairs chambers where all public meetings, youth activities, and other social programming are conducted. Renovation and repair of this facility would encourage participation of our citizens in the governmental process and would dramatically increase the volume of youth and other social programs.</p>				
<p><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></p>				
12. Estimated Capital Costs				

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
18	20	1.3 mil	1.6 mil
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
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	5,000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	5,000		
New GSF	7,500		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1965
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			