

State of Maryland

2011 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project	
lr1005	sb0385	lr0966	hb0261	Weinberg Center for the Arts	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
Young				Clagett	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount		
Frederick County			\$200,000		
6. Purpose of Bill					
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Frederick for the design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Weinberg Center for the Arts.</p>					
7. Matching Fund					
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.		
8. Special Provisions					
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone		Email Address	
John Healey		301-600-2839		jhealey@cityoffrederick.com	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>The Weinberg Center for the Arts(WCA) is owned and operated by the City of Frederick under the governance of a board of directors (WCA,Inc) appointed by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Frederick. Built in 1926, the WCA is a 1,143 seat proscenium style performing arts center located in the Historic District of the City of Frederick. The WCA was deeded to the City of Frederick by the Weinberg Family in 1977 and has operated as a performing arts center since 1978.</p> <p>The mission of the WCA is to "present culturally diverse quality professional arts programs and support local arts organizations by providing a professionally staffed and equipped facility. The WCA accomplishes this mission through the use of three strategies: 1) presentation of diverse programming in dance, theater, film, and music, 2)educational outreach that supports and enhances the curriculum of public, private, and home schools, 3) offering rental of the facility to local arts organizations for the purpose of presenting their productions.</p>					

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit Length to Visible area)

In FY 01 the Weinberg Center worked with the Architectural firm of GMA&D/Craig Hoopes & Associates to develop a master plan for the renovation, improvement, and restoration of the theater. The master plan includes a review and recommendations from Fisher/Dachs Theatre Consultants. Many of those recommendations were completed in 2002 in Phase One of the Master Plan and included upgrades to stage equipment, lighting system, rigging system, and new rest rooms. The second step, Phase Two, included replacing seating, installing a fire sprinkler system in the theater, re-carpeting and partial painting in the main theater. These renovations were completed in 2008. This request is to continue with renovations including a new marquee, faux painting in the lobby and theater spaces, restoration of the historic tile floor, and upgrades to the sound system.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (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	0
Design	\$50,000
Construction	\$400,000
Equipment	\$145,000
Total	\$595,000

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

Source	Amount
Requested 2011 State Fund	\$200,000
Tourism Council -TRIPP Grant	\$10,000
WCA, Inc. (Board of Directors)	\$185,000
Foundation Support	\$100,000
Private sources-Corporate and Individual	\$100,000
Total	\$595,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
July, 2010	January, 2011	July, 2011	December, 2011
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
\$356,585.00		63,000	65,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2000	\$200,000.00	Upgrades to the stage lighting system including dimmers.	
2001	\$250,000.00	Stage curtains, rigging, movable orchestra pit cover.	
2008	\$105,000.00	Replacement of seating, Fire Sprinkler system installed	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
City of Frederick 101 N. Court Street Frederick, MD 21701		Weinberg Center for the Arts 20 West Patrick Street Frederick, MD 21701	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	3A - Frederick County		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Ms. Sandra Nickols City Attorney	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-600-1387		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
City Hall 101 North Court Street Frederick, MD 21701			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
4 FT 12 PT	4 FT 12 PT	1,300,000	1,300,000
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	25,500		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	15,500		
New GSF	25,500		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1926

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

The concept of continuing the renovation of the Weinberg Center for the Arts is to maintain the historic structure of the building, while bringing the rest of the space into compliance for today's performing arts

The Weinberg Center for the Arts has had and will continue to have a major impact in the growth and development experienced by the City of Frederick in the past eight years. Using the State of Maryland standard of \$2.10 for every \$1.00 spent at the Weinberg Center for the Arts, economic impact to the City and County of Frederick was \$6.5 million in the 2009-2010 season and projected to be \$6.8 million in the current 2010-2011 season. Expansion in programming and attendance has averaged 22% in the past two years and is projected to continue. Nearly 40% of all programming at the Weinberg Center is community based, offering opportunities to local arts companies and performers to develop their craft in a professional setting. The educational outreach programming, smARTS, brings in more than 8,000 students each year for curriculum based arts programming in music, science, history, and math. A great amount of effort and expense has been put into the Weinberg Center's infrastructure in the past ten years by the City of Frederick including a new HVAC system and boilers for the heating system. National, state, and local grants went from \$23,000 in 2006-2007 to more than \$130,000 in the current fiscal year. Earned income has seen a major increase from \$397,212 in FY 07 to more than a projected \$660,000 in FY 11. The Weinberg Center for the Arts is celebrating 33 years as the theater for the community for Frederick City and County. Proposed renovations will assure that the Weinberg Center continues to reach out to the Frederick Community and beyond.