

State of Maryland

2011 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project	
lr2641	sb0817	lr2640	hb0559	Blackstone Memorial Amphitheatre	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
Reilly				Vitale	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount	
Anne Arundel County				\$50,000	
6. Purpose of Bill					
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to Blackstone and Associates, LLC for the planning, design, and construction of the Blackstone Memorial Amphitheatre.					
7. Matching Fund					
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of real property or in kind contributions.		
8. Special Provisions					
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone		Email Address
Graciela Blackstone			301-633-7697		gra102358@yahoo.com
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>Purpose: Historical location to provide a facility with a size and location convenient for all non-profit, civic, and private organizations to raise admirable funds to help Maryland citizens in need.</p> <p>Goals: Preserve 6 acres of property in Crownsville (AACO) designated as 1 of 12 Md Historic Trust properties(last African-American owned farm in County); educational opportunities for students and adults; archeological exploration; cultural heritage education; walking trails Activities: Providing fund-raising space for non-profits who serve the greater Anne Arundel County and Maryland community; together with We Care and Friends Inc (501(c)(3) offer educational and recreational opportunities for children and displaced families; We Care will operate on the site; community outreach of Maryland's African-American history and lineage; Support: Amphitheater will provide musical and cultural performances, lectures and fund-raising opportunities; Future phases will permit archaeology opportunities for historic Maryland Life (beginning early 1600's); walking trails with historic stopping points</p>					

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

Nature and size - 6 acres; Phase I -24,000sq ft steel frame structure with seating for 750 to 1000 people; proscenium seating, thrust stage, sound and lighting control room, equipment storage for scenery & props. Lobby area expanded into gathering space (community multi-purpose space); warming kitchen for catering; administrative offices (2), public & private bathroom facilities; Parking to accommodate 1 to 3 (250 space minimum) plus handicap; open space, greenery and buffers; outdoor gatherings (accommodate 300)

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	\$583,000
Construction	
Equipment	
Total	\$583,000

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

Source	Amount
Maryland Comm. African American History & Culture	\$100,000
Md Small Business Dev Financing Authority	\$200,000
Donations	\$56,500
Morgan State (matching dollars for all in-kind) (to date)	\$50,000
Bond Bill (HB559)	\$50,000
Bay Engineering (in kind) - engineering services	\$1,500
Cathy Purple Cherry, AIA (in kind) - architect	\$10,000
Ron Jarashow, Esquire	\$40,000
**Howard Univ grant proposal in progress	\$50,000
** AACo Community Devlp grant proposal in progress	\$25,000
Total	\$583,000

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
August, 2011	April, 2011	June, 2011	November, 2012
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
50,000		0	>10,000
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)	
We Care & Friends, Inc c/o Blackstone and Associates, LLC 1820 Hall Brown Road Annapolis, MD 21401		same address	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	33A - Western Anne Arundel County		
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:	Larry Griffin	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-263-2874		None
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
92 West Washington Street Annapolis, Md 21401			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
1	50 - 100	0	unknown
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?			lease
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	0		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	24,000		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			n/a

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

This is a community base effort to preserve property adjacent to Anne Arundel County community and recreational space. Property is located within Anne Arundel County greenway sites and is consistent with County goal of land preservation in the Western Part of Anne Arundel County. Project has received community support. The bond request has been approved by the Anne Arundel Delegation.