

State of Maryland

2015 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project
lr1551	sb0287	lr1025	hb0804	Four Corners Community Outreach Site
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Raskin				Hixson
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount	
Montgomery County			\$150,000	
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Four Corners Community Outreach Site project				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements:		Type:		
Equal		The matching fund may consist of in kind contributions.		
8. Special Provisions				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone	Email Address	
Pastor Rachel Cornwell		3015871215	rcornwell@silverspringumcp.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)				
<p>The Silver Spring United Methodist Church exists "to be a movement of Christs love to the people of Silver Spring, feeding all of Gods people -- body, mind and spirit -- so that no one goes hungry." The church was formed from the merger of Woodside and Marvin Memorial United Methodist Churches, both of which were formed in 1872 and have deep roots in the community. We believe our faith mandates that we feed those who are hungry and that it is unconscionable that our neighbors are going without food in our community. We are involved in numerous feeding programs, including the Arleeta's Pantry weekly food closet, and we have working partnerships with numerous community organizations, including Shepherds Table, Miriams Kitchen, the Capital Area Food Bank, Manna Food Center, Montgomery Colleges Food Recovery Network Chapter, Nourish Now, and growingSOUL. Through these partnerships we feed more than 1,450 people each month, and we want to do more to help end hunger in our community. Our building also hosts numerous community groups, including a preschool, 3 nonprofit organizations, and nearly a dozen community groups such as Toastmasters, AA groups, and community clubs.</p>				

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

This project will encompass 3 main activities. 1) Expand the amount of space available for nonprofit and community use. Affordable office space for nonprofits and gathering spaces for community events are difficult to acquire in Silver Spring. We will renovate the 3rd floor East Wing to create five new high-quality offices and a shared use conference room. Potential tenants might include youth-serving organizations, feeding programs, and innovative community building and development programs. 2) Transform Sanctuary into Multi-Purpose Space. There is a need in Silver Spring for large spaces for theatre group rehearsals and performances, youth events, and community gatherings. To accommodate this, we would renovate the sanctuary into a flexible, multi-purpose room that includes flexible seating and a stage area. 3) Build Upon Feeding Ministries. We seek to renovate the commercial kitchen to complement the mobile food pantry, including a possible expanded partnership with the food recovery organization growingSOUL. SSUMC is also investigating support for micro-enterprise development and a shared kitchen incubator space for new food businesses. Our monthly mobile food pantry in partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank provides fresh food to 250 families each month.

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	0
Construction	\$752,000
Equipment	\$86,000
Total	\$838,000

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

Source	Amount
Maryland State Bond Bill	\$150,000
Montgomery County Matching Grant	\$150,000
Silver Spring UMC Capital Fund	\$350,000
Fundraising from congregation & donors	\$188,000
Total	\$838,000

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
Complete	TBD	TBD	TBD
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
500000.00		2110	3110
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)	
Silver Spring United Methodist Church 8900 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910		Silver Spring United Methodist Church Four Corners Campus 33 University Blvd. E. Silver Spring, MD 20901	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Rachel Cornwell, Lead Pastor	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301.587.1215 x11		
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
6	7	1000000.00	1050000.00
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?			Yes
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
Silver Spring Day School	Expires Jun 2017	\$80,000	12,000
Progressive Maryland	Expires Apr 2015	\$5,500	500
DC-MD Justice For Our Neighbors	Expires Jan 2015	\$1,200	120
GapBuster, Inc.	Expires Sep 2015	\$7,300	780
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	40,000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	2,000		
New GSF	0		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1950

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

In January 2014, Woodside United Methodist Church (located in downtown Silver Spring) and Marvin Memorial Church (located at Four Corners) merged into one church, which is now called Silver Spring United Methodist Church (SSUMC). The mission of SSUMC is to feed peoplebody, mind and spiritso no one goes hungry. As part of the merger, it was decided that the primary purpose of the Four Corners building is to serve as a community outreach site, and that the downtown building would serve as a base for SSUMCs worship. This decision to re-purpose our buildings in these ways reflects both our commitment to feeding spirits as a worshipping community, as well as our commitment to feeding our community in tangible ways.

Our building at Four Corners which is located directly across the street from Montgomery Blair High School - is uniquely located to bring together and serve a diverse cross-section of County residents: immigrants and high school students; home-owners and homeless persons; businesses and non-profits. We have spent the last year meeting with and listening to the many people and organizations who use our building, as well as residents and entities in the surrounding community. Our building has the potential to provide much-needed, affordable, community space for a wide variety of uses. The state bond bill is essential for ensuring that we can begin the process of much-needed building renovations and repairs.

Much of the building use, currently and in the future will be a mix of tenants paying market-rate rent, non-profits and community groups paying a non-profit rate and some partners who will use the building without cost. Through building use revenue, we will to be able to support and sustain the community use of the space.

SSUMC also has an active and engaged congregation of 1200 members. We have about 300 weekly congregation members who collectively contribute hundreds of hours of volunteer time per month towards both our building redevelopment effort, as well as our various community outreach efforts including our feeding programs, the MacRecycle Clinic, and the Spanish/English language circle. In addition, each month we recruit 15-20 Blair high school students to assist with food distribution at our monthly mobile food pantry.