

State of Maryland

2015 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project	
lr2818	sb0791	lr3015	hb1217	Great Blacks in Wax Museum Expansion	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
McFadden				McCray	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount		
Baltimore City			\$400,000		
6. Purpose of Bill					
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, expansion, and capital equipping of the Great Blacks in Wax Museum					
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone		Email Address	
Dr. Joanne Martin		4104048695		jmartin@greatblacksinwax.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>The National Great Blacks In Wax Museum features life-like, life size exhibits that chronicle African-American achievements from the Middle Passage and slavery, to the civil rights movement, through today. Since opening in a storefront in downtown Baltimore in 1983, The National Great Blacks In Wax Museum has become a prominent, nationally recognized institution. With its move in 1988 to a renovated firehouse on North Avenue, the Museum has attracted over 2 million visitors to a low-income community of East Baltimore. Indeed, it has become one of the premier tourist attractions for the State. The Museum has 65% of its visitors coming form outside the state of Maryland.</p>					

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

For the past five years, The National Great Blacks In Wax Museum has been advancing a plan that will expand the museum along the entire 1600 blocks of East North Avenue, Eareckson Place and Lafayette, and the 1800 Blocks of Broadway, Bethel, and Bond Streets. The museum will be adding 120,000 square feet of new construction and rehabbing 47,000 square feet. Thus far, the museum acquired 90 units and has demolished 53 of them that had been vacant and blighted.

The Museum is seeking funds for acquisition, architectural/engineering design, new construction, exhibit design, and rehabilitation.

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	
Design	\$400,000
Construction	
Equipment	
Total	\$400,000

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

Source	Amount
Fundraising/Real Estate	\$300,000
Prior expenditures	\$100,000
Total	\$400,000

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
7/1/2015	1/31/2016		
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
300000.00		225,000	500,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2004	300000.00	Museum Expansion	
2005	1000000.00	Museum Expansion	
2006	350000.00	Museum Expansion	
2006	650000.00	Museum Expansion	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Great Blacks In Wax Museum, Inc.		1601-03 E. North Avenue Baltimore, MD 21213	
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:	Dr. Joanne M, Martin	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	(410) 404-8695		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
1601-03 E. North Avenue Baltimore, MD 21213			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
15	90	1200000.00	6700000.00
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?			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	47,000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	47,000		
New GSF	120,000		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			2018

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

The museum expansion will be done in three phases which will reflect new construction, historical restoration and renovation.