

State Of Maryland 2016 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name Of Project
lr1962	sb0205	lr2045	hb0328	Good Shepherd School
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Kasemeyer				Hill
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore County				\$100,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Good Shepherd School				
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 Ph#	Email Address
Diana Ellis			410-247-2770 (x421)	diana.ellis@gssmaryland.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
<p>Founded in 1864, Good Shepherd Services provides residential treatment and therapeutic educational programming for at-risk, disadvantaged and underserved girls and boys ages 13 to 21 who are experiencing severe mental health and behavioral disorders. Good Shepherd's mission is Love in Action and rests on the belief that one person is more precious than a world. Our goal is to help each adolescent develop his or her full potential in work or school and transition successfully into their community.</p>				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

We will renovate a portion of our school into a simulated life skills setting called Shepherd Town Center. Within a safe and assisted environment, our youth will experience authentic, work-based education and gain real-world life skills. Under the requirements of MSDE, one of the goals of this project is to develop our students' college and career readiness upon graduating from high school. We will create five different venues including a screen printing shop; a graphic design shop; a contractor shop; a hotel; and Shepherd Town Hall. Capital costs include construction to the ceilings, drywall, electrical, wiring, plumbing, smoke detectors, a sprinkler system, heating, ventilation, and flooring.

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	\$30,000
Construction	\$317,085
Equipment	\$69,104
Total	\$416,189

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

2016 Maryland Bond Bill	\$100,000
Good Shepherd Services Board of Directors	\$1,900
Foundations	\$200,000
Individual Contributions	\$114,289
Total	\$416,189

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
7/1/2016	10/15/2016	1/1/2017	5/31/2017
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
1000.00	500-700		500-700
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
G104, Ch. 485	\$75,000		
G047, Ch. 396	\$100,000		
G0061 & G125, Ch 4	\$70,000		
G052 & G107, Ch. 49	\$100,000		
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
House of the Good Shepherd of the City of Baltimore (DBA Good Shepherd Services) 4100 Maple Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	12 - Baltimore and Howard Counties		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Andrew T. Nichols, Esq.	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-727-2443		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Rollins, Smalkin, Richards & Mackie, LLC 401 North Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
300	300	20138121.00	20138121.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond 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 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	210,000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	2,220		
New GSF	210,000		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

1970

28. Comments

Good Shepherd School is a self-contained educational facility located within Good Shepherd Services. The school is approved by the Maryland State Department of Education as a Type I full day, partial day and residential Special Education and related services program for students with emotional disability in an Elementary School (Grade 8) and a Secondary School (Grades 9 through 12) and a GED tests preparation program. Our target population for this project is students who are earning high school diplomas, a GED or certificate of completion according to MSDE guidelines. This includes both our general education students and special education students.

According to a 2014 report released by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the unemployment rate is 84% for individuals receiving public mental health services in Maryland. We want to see our students become self-sufficient and conduct healthy, productive lives so that they do not fall into unemployment or return to a residential treatment facility.

Our Shepherd Town Center is based off of other successful simulated towns for disabled persons. The Friendship Circle, a non-profit organization in Michigan, created a simulated learning environment similar to what we are proposing; they named their environment LifeTown and created a Lessons for Life curriculum for special needs students, focused on teaching core life skills that mirror goals on students Individual Education Plans (IEPs).

There are similar career pathways programs in Maryland, though each school's admissions process, location, and student population differs. For example, Maryland Project Search prepares students in their last year of high school for transition to an internship program but eliminates students with special needs through its rigorous application process and lack of hands-on vocational training. Our simulated learning environment hopes to bridge the gap by helping students with severe mental health and behavioral problems prepare for an attainable career. Our hospitality career pathway, for example, will focus on housekeeping, front desk operations, bell hop and dining service careers. Students will learn how to open doors, greet customers, carry luggage and escort guests. They will learn how to dust, vacuum, make beds and so on.

Good Shepherd Services has received four bond bills from the State of Maryland. In 2009, we received \$75,000 to renovate bathrooms in several residential units to update fixtures and install safety features. We received \$100,000 in 2011 to renovate our student courtyard so that our youth would have access to outdoor recreation space. In 2013, we received \$70,000 to replace our cooling tower which was original to the building and in danger of breaking down. Lastly, we received \$100,000 to renovate two male residential units to update the space with therapeutic design principles, and make it safe and livable. All four projects were completed successfully and within budget. The General Assembly's support has been a tremendous help as we continue to provide our students with the care and support that they need to return to their homes and communities.