

State Of Maryland

2017 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name Of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
lr0795	sb1045	lr1122	hb1088	Port Discovery Children's Museum
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Ferguson				Lierman
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore City				\$500,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Port Discovery Children's Museum, including the design, fabrication, and installation of exhibits				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements: Grant	Type:			
8. Special Provisions				
[<input type="checkbox"/>] Historical Easement		[<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Ph#	Email Address	
Bryn Parchman		410-864-2654	bparchman@portdiscovery.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
Port Discovery educates children and inspires life-long curiosity, opening the door for children to discover and explore the world and to lead smarter, healthier, more engaged lives. James Heckman is a Nobel Laureate in economics and an expert in early childhood development. His research has proven that a nation's economic health rests on the opportunities we provide our children from birth. His equation is simple: Investing in early childhood development builds the human capital we need for economic success. Our mission reflects this principle. Well beyond just an immediate positive impact on individual children, we aim for long-term benefits for our community as a whole that will last for generations. Our goal is to promote success in school and in life for all children, regardless of ability, race, ethnicity or socioeconomic status.				

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

The 110-year-old Fish Market is rapidly deteriorating, resulting in failure of the exterior walls, doors and windows. These failures result in damage to the building, exhibits and offices. Much of the building's interior systems and equipment was installed prior to Port Discovery's use of the building, is inadequate for current use, and is in danger of failure due to age. Aging exhibits must also be replaced. Core facility renovation and reconstruction is required to ensure the integrity of the building and the Museum. This renovation project includes but is not limited to repair, replacement and renovation of: historic exterior facades, windows and exterior doors; electrical, lighting and building systems; exhibits. Renovation projects are designed to ensure the integrity, safety, energy-efficiency and relevance of the 82,000 sq. ft. Museum.

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	\$509,000
Construction	\$3,522,000
Equipment	
Total	\$4,031,000

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

State of Maryland (current request - pending)	\$500,000
City of Baltimore 2019 (approved)	\$150,000
Maryland Heritage Area Authority (future)	\$100,000
Baltimore Heritage Area (future)	\$15,000
Private funding - Tax Credit Program (secured)	\$33,000
Private	\$3,233,000
Total	\$4,031,000

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
underway	Nov. 2017	April 2018	April 2019
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
1049000.00		274,000	299,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2016	\$500,000	Planning, design, construction documentation	
2015	\$250,000	Planning, design, construction documentation;	
2013	\$1,028,000	Security/telecom upgrades; Planning, design, construc	
2005-2012	\$1,550,000	HVAC; exhibits; other capital projects	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Baltimore Children's Museum 35 Market Place Baltimore, MD 21202		Same	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		46 - Baltimore City	
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:	Mark Pollak	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410.528.5563		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Ballard Spahr, LLP 300 East Lombard Street, 18th Floor Baltimore, MD 21202			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
100	105	4008705.00	4200000.00
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?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			
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	
City of Baltimore	30 years	Two 25-year renewal	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	82,367		
Space to be Renovated GSF	82,367		
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	1906 (Building) and 1998 (Interior)
28. Comments	
<p>The projects included in this request represent a portion of Port Discovery's overarching plan for capital improvements to fully update the Museum. That Master Plan has been developed over the past four years, in concert with our Five-Year Strategic Plan, and lays out the scope of a three-phase program for addressing the capital needs of Port Discovery. Based on those plans, the Museum embarked on a major fundraising campaign to create a Childrens Museum where children will experience how science, technology, engineering, art, and math can come to life in new ways. We will offer learning experiences that simply are not possible in traditional educational venues.</p> <p>Preserving our historic home - the last of the original Centre Market buildings - is critical; but even more important is ensuring that Port Discovery can continue its educational mission to the children and families of Maryland. We will expand our capacity to connect with children through innovative, state-of-the-art interactive experiences that foster creativity, curiosity, persistence, and problem solving and they, in turn, will expand the ways they engage in learning. Port Discovery's improvements will create a region-wide economic impact and will enhance the quality of life for our region. We will improve services for local children and families while attracting families throughout the region to visit.</p> <p>Thanks to past State funding, Port Discovery has completed extensive planning, design and documentation for our project. The Museum has engaged Cambridge Seven as our architectural/ engineering firm; Lewis Construction is our project management firm; Worcester Eisenbrant is our historic architectural restoration firm; and Roto Studio is our exhibit design and fabrication firm. Detailed assessment documenting project requirements and scheduling for the renovation and historic preservation of the Fish Market building exterior is complete. Interior design development is well underway.</p> <p>Our project is now shovel-ready. This request will allow the Museum to build upon completed work and funding would be used without delay to move forward with the current phase of this project.</p> <p>Port Discovery is a world-class, award-winning children's museum; its programs have been recognized both nationally and locally and have become models for replication among children's museums across the nation. Port Discovery is an exemplary model of successfully connecting with parents, caregivers, teachers and community organizations to provide the best learning experiences - both in the Museum and in the community - for all children, regardless of ability, race, ethnicity or income.</p>	