## State Of Maryland 2018 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

lr2025 sb0410 lr3705 hb1149 <b>3. Senate Bill Sponsors</b> Robinson	Skatepark of Baltimore at Carroll Park   House Bill Sponsors						
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<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount						
Baltimore City	\$300,000						
6. Purpose of Bill							
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Skatepark of Baltimore at Carroll Park							
7. Matching Fund							
Requirements: Equal	Type: The matching fund may consist of real property or in kind contributions.						
8. Special Provisions							
[ ] Historical Easement	[ X ] Non-Sectarian						
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph# Email Address						
Stephanie Murdock	410-916-5570 stephmurdock@gmail.com						
10. Description and Purpose of Organi							

The Skatepark of Baltimore, Inc. (SOB) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to the construction of public, concrete, destination skateparks in Baltimore. We believe that publicly accessible, safe, designated areas for skateboarding provide a healthy recreational activity for Baltimore residents that fosters individual creativity, promotes self-expression, develops self-esteem, and supports the continued growth of creative communities within our city. Founded in 2006 and supported by hundreds of community volunteers, SoB has devoted over 10 years to our mission, educating the public, developing support, and establishing an ongoing partnership with the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks. Our signature facility in Baltimores Hampden neighborhood currently draws skateboarding enthusiasts from across the region daily.

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

SoB seeks \$300,000 in bond funding to support our effort to build a world-class, 15,000+ square-foot, concrete skatepark in Southwest Baltimore's Carroll Park. While a modest and underutilized skatepark already exists at Carroll Park, SoB and the Carroll Park community recognize an acute need to revitalize and enhance this existing facility. Given the close proximity of the existing skatepark to the Carroll Park recreation center and the Southwest Baltimore Charter School (SBCS), revitalization of the Carroll Park skatepark will serve as a foundational project, stimulating increased park use and wider development within the North-West corner of Carroll Park and the surrounding community. To support this project, SoB partnered with Erika Brockman and the SBCS in 2017 to apply for \$600,000 in matching funds through the South Baltimore Gateway Partnerships Transformational Project investment program.

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	\$60,000				
Construction	\$840,000				
Equipment					
Total	\$900,000				
13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)					
South Baltimore Gateway Partnership	\$600,000				
MD State Bond Funding	\$300,000				
Total	\$900,000				

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)								
Begin Design	Com	plete	Design	Begin Construction		n	Complete Construction	
5/1/2018	8/31/	2018	3 1/1/2020		020	5/31/2020		
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised			16. Current Numl People Served An Project Site		nually at Serve		umber of People to be ed Annually After the ect is Complete	
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18. Other State	Capita	l Gra	ints to Re	cipien	ts in the Past	15 Yea	ars	
Legislative Ses	sion	Ar	Amount			Pur	pose	
19. Legal Name	and A	ddres	ss of Gran	tee	Project Add	ress (It	f Different)	
President, Skatepark of BaltimorePO Box 5001, Baltimore MD 21211(410) 916 5570stephmurdock@gmail.com20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			1500 Washington Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21230 more City					
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)								
Local Govt.	]	For P	Profit		Non Profit		Federal	
[ ]		[	]		[ X ]		[]	
22. Grantee Legal Representative					23. If Match Includes Real Property:			
Name:					Has An Appraisal Been Done?		Yes/No	
Phone:							Yes	
Address:			If Voc List	nnrai	isal Dates and Value			
Audress.					1/1/18 Lai		11780200.00	
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24. Impact of Pro	oject on Staffing and	Operating Cost at Pro	ject Site				
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projec	ted Operating Budget			
0	0	14051.06		13092.08			
25. Ownership of	f <b>Property</b> (Info Requ	ested by Treasurer's Off	ice for bond	purposes)			
A. Will the grante	e own or lease (pick on	e) the property to be imp	roved?				
B. If owned, does t							
C. Does the grante	others?						
D. If property is ov	wned by grantee any sp	ace is to be leased, provi	de the follow	ing:			
	Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Leas	0			
The property is o	wned by the Mayor an	d City					
The property will	not be owned or leased	d by the					
E. If property is le	ased by grantee - Prov	ide the following:					
Na	Length of Lease	Optio	Options to Renew				
26. Building Squ	are Footage:						
Current Space G	SF		11,000 sq. ft.				
Space to be Reno	ovated GSF		15,000 sq. ft.				
New GSF			15,000 sq. ft.				

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed	2004
for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	

## 28. Comments

Since early 2017, SoB has partnered with Erika Brockman of the Southwest Baltimore Charter School, The Friends of Carroll Park, Baltimore City Recreation and Parks, users of the existing Carroll Park skatepark, and residents of Carroll Park communities to explore options, build community support, and seek funding for the redevelopment of the Carroll Park skatepark facility.

SoB has already achieved tremendous success with our development of a 16,000 square-foot skatepark facility in Hampden's Roosevelt Park. Utilized by hundreds of enthusiasts on a daily basis, the skatepark facility in Roosevelt Park has stimulated increased use of park space, created greater interest in the Hampden neighborhood, and has been quickly embraced by the local community as a key civic asset. Providing a safe gathering space for community youth and young adults, as well as a consistently occupied space within Roosevelt Park, the skatepark provides increased safety and security throughout the community, as well as drawing increased interest and visitation to the neighborhood.

Like many neighborhoods in Baltimore, the Carroll Park community lacks constructive activities for community youth and young adults, as well as safe spaces where they can congregate. As with many neighborhoods in Baltimore where this is the case, the Carroll Park community continues to suffer from a variety of social ills associated with unoccupied youth. From vandalism to violence, this phenomenon stands as a barrier to wider efforts at community revitalization. Yet, skateparks offer a vibrant and creative alternative that is particularly attractive and accessible, providing recreation and a social outlet that is critically missing in the lives of many of today's youth. Like our park in Hampden, we believe that the Carroll Park skatepark will serve as a catalyst for wider change within the surrounding community.

It is clear that there is demand for the Carroll Park skatepark, as well as additional skatepark facilities in Baltimore. The city has over 7,000 regular (daily) skateboarders and close to 30,000 casual (monthly) skateboarders who require at least 44,000 square feet to recreate. Presently, Baltimore has only three public skateparks which total less than 30,000 square feet. Two of these existing skateparks, including the existing Carroll Park skatepark, are woefully outdated and in disrepair. Recognizing this need, SoB has served as a beacon of hope for the youth of Baltimore by undertaking advocacy on their behalf to build world-class skateboarding facilities in the City of Baltimore.

With the expertise and experience to administer a project of this type, SoB has overseen a public private partnership with the City of Baltimore through the Department of Recreation and Parks to design and build a skatepark within an existing city park, Roosevelt Park. We do not own or lease the specified property; the site is owned by the city. SoB is a ten year-old, grassroots, volunteer-driven, nonprofit organization, therefore we have no paid employees. The members of the SoB Board of Directors accomplish many of the organization's activities and our work is supported by over one hundred active volunteers.