

State Of Maryland 2020 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Rev. Duke Log Cabin		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Gallion	Cecil County Delegation	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Cecil County	\$150,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Rev. Duke Log Cabin		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements: Unequal \$25,000	Type: The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund.	
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Paula Newton	443-907-2299	pnewton@udel.edu
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Since our inception in 1932, the mission of the Historical Society of Cecil County, Maryland has been to collect, preserve and interpret artifacts relevant to our county. We operate as a non-profit entity and rely on volunteers to fulfill our objectives. We are located in a Cecil County Government owned building along with the Cecil County Arts Council and the Cecil Land Trust. The Society has no paid staff and the bulk of our annual budget is generated from membership dues, donations and a modest amount from marriage license fees. The Society is considered the official repository for Cecil County's historical records.</p>		

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

Restoration of Rev. Duke Log Cabin included: many logs are rotted due to age and water damage; openings where the outside can be seen from inside the cabin; a portion of the floor has collapsed in the fireplace room due to a rotten floor joist; steps to the second floor are separated from the floor planks of the first floor; missing chinking between logs; floor slopes in school room; numerous soft spots in the floor everywhere; worsening bow in the back wall; window frames are separating from log walls. The inward sagging is putting pressure on the corner interlocking logs putting them in danger of giving way. The log cabin is a key component of our museum that is used as a living history museum with historical interpretation and special events emphasizing the life of the cabin, its historic occupant, and Cecil County. Part of the curriculum will also be a class reviewing the documents that created this country.

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	
Construction	\$150,000
Equipment	\$30,000
Total	\$180,000

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

DAR	\$10,000
Private Donations	\$10,000
Preservation Maryland Heritage Fund	\$10,000
2020 Bond Initiative	\$150,000
Total	\$180,000

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
N/A	N/A	6/1/2020	12/1/2020
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	
5290.00	250	500	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Historical Society of Cecil County 135 East Main St. Elkton, MD 21921			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	35A - Cecil County		
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:	Paula Newton	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	443-907-2299		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
212 Friendship Rd. Elkton, MD 21921			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	0	22000.00	22000.00
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	826		
Space to be Renovated GSF	826		
New GSF	826		

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

1800

28. Comments

Since 1970, an historic log cabin has resided in the backyard of the Historical Society of Cecil County. The cabin began life on Bow Street in Elkton around 1800. It's historical significance is due to the fact that it was once the home of the Rev. William Duke who used it for both his residence and his own school. Rev. Duke was an Episcopal Priest and the school master of at least 4 schools, one of which was the Elkton Academy.

As in any restoration, we dont know what other issues may lurk behind interior walls, the flooring, and the roof. We do know that without substantial repairs, the cabins long life may soon come to an end. It is the societys vision that, if restored, the cabin will once again serve as a living history museum. We see Rev. Duke himself, strolling the rooms of his former home, telling the story of his life, that of his family, and the students he taught. The site and sound of school children scrambling through the cabin would once more echo off the walls of the ancient structure as the students size-up the school masters and student desks, check out where the Dukes cooked meals, slept, and read by the fireplace long ago. These are just a few of the learning opportunities for the next generation of children and adults as we endeavor to pass on this rich history, unique to Cecil County. As noted, the cabins history is rich and the cost to repair it will be equally rich. Judging from the relatively quick advance of the cabins structural issues, we dont have much time.