## State Of Maryland 2021 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project						
Sexual Assault/Spousal Abuse Resource Center						
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor					
Cassilly	McComas					
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount					
Harford County	\$300,000					
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative						
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center						
7. Matching Fund						
Requirements:	Type:					
Grant						
8. Special Provisions						
[ ] Historical Easement	[ X ] Non-Sectarian					
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address				
Senator Cassilly		Bob.Cassilly@senate.state.md.u				
Luisa Caiazzo						
Delegate McComas	susan.mccomas@house.state.mo					
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)						
The Sexual Assault Spouse Abuse Resource Center (SARC) was established in 1978 and is the only comprehensive victim service agency providing support to over 1500 people identifying needing support as a result of domestic violence, sexual violence, sex trafficking, and/or stalking in Harford County each year. Services include ownership/operation of Harford Countys only domestic violence Safehouse shelter, staff attorneys for peace/protective orders, mental health counseling, hospital accompaniment, and operation of a 24-hour helpline.						

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

SARC plans to expand emergency beds from 28 to 40. The current shelter and outpatient services building is in urgent need of renovation. The HVAC systems are antiquated and expensive to maintain. All 28 women and children share one stove, table, and refrigerator. This funding will support the construction and equipping of the renovation and expansion of SARCs existing operating sites. The expansion creates an additional 7,200 square feet and renovates the existing shelter and office operations of 20,000 square feet. The renovated structure will provide apartment like living with increased privacy, handicap accessible bathrooms, exercise room, children's play areas, and multiple kitchens. The new design focuses on the promotion of wellbeing and healing.

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	\$475,000					
Construction	\$4,670,000					
Equipment	\$100,000					
Total	\$5,245,000					
13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)						
Department of Housing and Community Development	\$1,500,000					
Bond Bills	\$425,000					
Community Development Block Grants	\$831,386					
Private Foundations	\$988,614					
Private Donations	\$1,500,000					
Total	\$5,245,000					

14. Projec	t Sche	dule (	Enter	a date or on	e of the	following in each	h box. I	N/A, TBD or Complete)	
Begin Des	ign	Complete Design Begi		in Construction		<b>Complete Construction</b>			
2/12/2018		7/31	/2020		4/1/2	021		6/30/2022	
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised			P	16. Current Number People Served Ann Project Site		nually at Serve		umber of People to be ed Annually After the ect is Complete	
2200000.0	2200000.00 1,500			500	1,600				
18. Other	State (	Capit	al Gra	ants to Re	cipien	ts in the Past 1	15 Yea	nrs	
Legislative Session Amo			mount	Purpose					
2018			:	\$125,000	00 Domestic violence shelter renovation.			renovation.	
19. Legal	Name :	and A	ddre	ss of Grai	ntee	Project Address (If Different)			
The Sexual Assault/Spouse Abuse Resource Center, Inc. (SARC) PO Box 1207 Bel Air, Maryland 21014					****CONFIDENTIAL Disclosed as needed Harford County, Maryland				
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b> 34B - Harford C					arford (	County			
21. Legal	Status	of Gr	antee	(Please C	Check C	One)			
Local Govt. Fo		For I	or Profit		Non Profit		Federal		
[ ]	[ ]		[	]		[ X ]		[ ]	
22. Grantee Legal Representative				23. If Match Includes Real Property:					
Name:	Luisa Caiazzo			Has An Appraisal Been Done?		Yes/No			
Phone:	410-8	410-836-8431					Yes		
Address:						If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value			
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24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site								
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Curr	ent Operating Budget	ted Operating Budget				
40	42	2	260000.00	24	160000.00			
25. Ownership of	f Property (Info Requ	ested by	Treasurer's Offic	e for bond	purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?								
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?								
C. Does the grante	e intend to lease any po	ortion of	the property to ot	hers?	No			
D. If property is o	wned by grantee any sp	pace is to	be leased, provide	the follow	ing:			
	Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	0				
E. If property is le	ased by grantee - Provi	ide the fo	llowing:					
Na	ame of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew					
26. Building Square Footage:								
<b>Current Space G</b>	Current Space GSF 20,000							
Space to be Reno	ovated GSF		20,000					
New GSF			7,200					

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

1866 and 1950

## 28. Comments

SARC very much appreciates the bipartisan support of this project. In 2019, SARC's Safehouse housed 155 clients of which 55% of those were children. Research suggests crowded communal living conditions cause: reduced graduations rates for youth; delays in children's cognitive development-particularly in children ages 1-5; increased blood pressure; increased feelings of hopelessness; impaired parent-child relationships; and increased psychological

distress. (Center for Housing Policy Study, July 2007).

The current Safehouse houses 28 clients in 7bedrooms. There are 5 shared bathrooms and one kitchen table shared by all. Shades must be drawn at all times for security and there is no play area either inside or out for the children. Even when narrowing shelter acceptance criteria to only those clients screening in at high risk of being killed if they remain in their current situation, requests for shelter have continuously exceeded bed capacity.

Current conditions exacerbate trauma and lengthen the time needed to heal. SARC owns the property of the proposed expansion and renovation. Architectural plans have been completed and a construction firm has been selected. This project is shovel ready once funding is secured for the total cost.

SARC has submitted a grant request to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for the Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program. We are actively working with their office. We have the support of our local government and have received \$625,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds for this project.

SARC has an active Capital Campaign Committee that is a mix of Board and community members. Preapproval has been obtained from Harford Bank for a bridge loan as we collect outstanding pledges from the community.

An all volunteer Building Committee of subject matter experts in land development and construction have been working diligently to guide the project and keep costs down.