

**RB26**  
**Frostburg State University**  
 University System of Maryland

***Capital Budget Summary***

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**State-owned Capital Improvement Program**  
 (\$ in Millions)

<i>Projects</i>	<i>Prior Auth.</i>	<i>2016 Request</i>	<i>2017 Est.</i>	<i>2018 Est.</i>	<i>2019 Est.</i>	<i>2020 Est.</i>	<i>Beyond CIP</i>
Public Safety Facility	\$0.400	\$5.105	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000
Education Professions and Health Sciences Center	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	5.900	0.000	67.850
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.400</b>	<b>\$5.105</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$5.900</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$67.850</b>

<i>Fund Source</i>	<i>Prior Auth.</i>	<i>2016 Request</i>	<i>2017 Est.</i>	<i>2018 Est.</i>	<i>2019 Est.</i>	<i>2020 Est.</i>	<i>Beyond CIP</i>
GO Bonds	\$0.400	\$5.105	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$5.900	\$0.000	\$67.850
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.400</b>	<b>\$5.105</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$5.900</b>	<b>\$0.000</b>	<b>\$67.850</b>

CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*  
 GO: general obligation

***Summary of Recommended Bond Actions***

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1. Frostburg State University  
 Approve continued funding for the Public Safety Facility.

## ***Budget Overview***

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The Public Safety Facility will provide the Frostburg State University Police Department (FSUPD) with a new facility that will be in compliance with the standards of the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). The University System of Maryland (USM) policy (VI-13.00) requires all police departments at USM institutions to be accredited by a professional police accrediting organization by September 2013 and if not, it must report to the Board of Regents why accreditation could not be achieved. Originally programmed in the 2014 *Capital Improvement Program* to receive \$0.4 million to start design in fiscal 2016, the General Assembly accelerated the project by authorizing the initial design funding in fiscal 2015. Since the project will be ready for construction in fiscal 2016, funding for construction and equipment was accelerated from fiscal 2017 to 2016.

FSUPD has full law enforcement authority on campus, which includes investigation of crimes and incidents on campus, response to emergencies, vehicle registration and parking enforcement, and physical security of buildings. The department has 17 officers and 7 civilians who are currently housed in a 2,500 gross square foot (GSF) facility. Originally an elementary school built in 1953 and eventually repurposed for FSUPD, it does not meet the requirements of a modern police facility.

A consulting service was hired in January 2012 to evaluate what the university needed to do in order to achieve accreditation of CALEA. Overall, there are 69 standards that have to be met of which 17 are related to facilities. The current facility has numerous deficiencies that keep FSUPD from obtaining accreditation including inadequate building security; lack of areas dedicated for interviewing, processing, testing, and detention; inadequate property and evidence area; and unsecure communications center and equipment.

Overall, the existing facility is too small to accommodate the requirements of a police facility. Based on the size and function of FSUPD and using CALEA guidelines, the consultant recommends a facility that is approximately 9,200 GSF; the new facility will be 9,205 GSF. Furthermore, the general security of the building is inadequate. Typically, any spaces where the police interact with the public should be enclosed with bullet-resistant glazing, which does not exist in the current facility. Directly ahead of the public entrance to the building is a single door that opens into the internal lobby that is not lockable; therefore, once inside, a person has access to the entire building. In addition, a wooden exterior door with a glass window leading to the south parking lot does not provide an acceptable level of security even when locked.

In the current facility, a single space is used for multiple functions including interviewing, processing, testing, and detaining. Facilities without dedicated, secure areas for interviewing are functionally inadequate as interviews can turn dangerous when subjects become combative and suspects cannot be questioned separately. The lack of a soundproof space makes it difficult to interrogate a suspect and victim at the same time. The detention area consists of a bench with handcuffs secured to the wall and while this does comply with security protocols, separate cells are needed for females, males, and juveniles. Also, there are two workstations in this area, which are used by officers to secure weapons while handling prisoners; however, security protocols require firearms to be secured outside the area.

Access to the communications center in a police facility should be restricted and protected with bulletproof glass. Currently, access to the center is not restricted because it is adjacent to a public area. Furthermore, a closet, which is not commercial grade and where student-owned weapons are stored, is located next to the communications center. The communications equipment (*i.e.*, radio equipment, transmission lines, antennas, and power sources) is not in a secure location and, thereby, vulnerable to being disabled or destroyed.

This project will provide FSUPD with a modern facility that meets CALEA standards for facilities, which will allow them to obtain accreditation. In addition, the facility will allow FSUPD to expand the department's professional capabilities, which will allow officers to become more involved in the processing of campus crimes.

***Operating Budget Impact Statement***

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**Executive’s Operating Budget Impact Statement  
(\$ in Millions)**

		<i>FY 2016</i>	<i>FY 2017</i>	<i>FY 2018</i>	<i>FY 2019</i>	<i>FY 2020</i>
<b>Public Safety Facility</b>						
	Estimated Operating Cost	\$0.013	\$0.073	\$0.113	\$0.115	\$0.118
	Estimated Staffing	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Operating Impact</b>						
	<b>Estimated Operating Cost</b>	<b>\$0.013</b>	<b>\$0.073</b>	<b>\$0.113</b>	<b>\$0.115</b>	<b>\$0.118</b>
	<b>Estimated Staffing</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

***Summary of Other Projects in the Capital Improvement Program***

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**Education Professions and Health Sciences Center**

Funding totaling \$5.9 million to begin planning for the Education Professions and Health Sciences Center is programmed in fiscal 2019. The facility will house the College of Education, the Exercise and Sports Science program, and the Nursing program. These programs are currently located in four small campus buildings that lack adequate space and technology, limiting enrollment growth and making it difficult to deliver programs efficiently and offer new academic programs. The facility will provide modern classrooms, laboratories, offices, and support space and will also house the Student Wellness Center. The estimated cost of the project is \$73.8 million.

## ***GO Bond Recommended Actions***

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1. Approve \$5.1 million in general obligation bond funding to continue design, construct, and equip the Public Safety Facility.