

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Friends Aware		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
	Baker	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Allegany County	\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Friends Aware property		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Delegate Terry Baker		terry.baker@house.state.md.us
David Goad		301-722-7268 ext.133
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Founded in 1954, Friends Aware, Inc. (FAI) is a non-profit organization in Allegany County, Maryland. FAI operates on a 24/7 basis and has for the last 70 years. Our Life Enrichment Center provides Meaningful Day Services for approximately 45 consumers through educational activities, life skills auditory and artistic enrichment, computer skills, and financial guidance, together with nursing services. Friends Awares mission is to provide people with diverse abilities the opportunities and support to live their lives as valued members of the community, a non-profit entity, which offers social, occupational, and residential opportunities (consisting of 12 group homes) in a caring atmosphere to individuals with disabilities. Our goal is to enhance quality of life by promoting choice and full participation within the community.</p>		

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

Friends Aware, Inc. (FAI), has identified issues with its wastewater system. The main sanitary sewer line of the FAI campus to the City of Cumberland's wastewater tap is plagued by terracotta pipe and is constantly cut off by tree roots. In 2023, Friends Aware replaced several feet of pipe in an effort to reduce the problem. A local plumber has identified the remaining 530 feet of sanitary sewer line needs replacement. This main line is of vital use to Friends Awar's operation on a daily basis. The second phase of this capital improvement is the demolition the main entrance lobby to uncover a nonfunctioning branch of the sewer system serving two bathrooms on the main floor. One of the bathrooms in question does not function properly allowing wastewater to backup with each use. The solution is video inspection into the line to identify the problem, to cut & remove the concrete floor, replace the existing plumbing, backfill and replace the VCT tile flooring.

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	\$92,510
Equipment	
Total	\$92,510

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

Maryland Legislative Bond Initiative	\$92,510
Total	\$92,510

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	TBD	TBD
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	
0.00	N/A	TBD	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2023	\$250,000	Repair a 23,000 Sq. Ft roof on the LEC and install sec	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Friends Aware, Inc.		1601 Holland Street, Cumberland, Maryland 21502	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	1B - Allegany 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:	Mark Bittinger	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-722-7268 x 138		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
1601 Holland Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
165	180	8113267.00	8113267.00
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	0		
Space to be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	0		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	N/A
28. Comments	
<p>The first wastewater phase has a quoted cost of \$73,400.00 and the second to correct plumbing of the wastewater system was quoted at \$19,110.00, the total cost \$92,510.00</p> <p>The project will address issues with Friends Aware's interior and exterior Sanitary Wastewater Sewer System which is vital to the operation of Friends Aware for the utilization of its individual's in service and the staff supporting these individuals on a daily basis.</p>	