

# State Of Maryland

## 2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
HOPE Center		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
Mautz	Talbot County Delegation	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Talbot County	\$500,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a 5,400 square foot building to provide afterschool programming		
<b>7. Matching Fund</b>		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
<b>8. Special Provisions</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
<b>9. Contact Name and Title</b>	<b>Contact Ph#</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Senator Johnny Mautz		Johnny.Mautz@senate.state.md.us
Keasha Haythe		410-443-9936
		christopher.adams@house.state.md.us
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>We are a 501 (c)3 organization located in Easton, Maryland. The organization facilitates an economic development and empowerment afterschool program for middle school adolescent girls living in low-to moderate income households. The program increases academic achievement as well as knowledge of self- sufficiency and soft skills. The mission of the Foundation of H.O.P.E., is to help young girls lead productive lives in their communities by providing cultural, social and educational development. Our weekly afterschool program benefits girls aged 12-14 years old. Top session topics include, workforce development, mock job applications and interviews, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, self-esteem and developing a vision board. The program is results-oriented and we monitor each individual completing the program through 12th grade.</p>		

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

The project involves construction of a new building of 5,400 square feet to house the Foundation of H.O.P.E., which includes classrooms for the Economic Development and Empowerment Afterschool Program and summer programming. The building will allow the program to increase and expand the program to serve 60 girls for afterschool programming and 60 for summer programming with a focus on those living in low to moderate income households. The program is offered to any sixth-grade girl seeking emotional, social and educational skills. The facility will include office space, community space, three private offices and a teaching/learning kitchen. The property is vacant land acquired by the Foundation of H.O.P.E., Inc., in 2021. Preliminary planning for the project, building rendering and site plan is complete. Upon final approval of funding, the project is shovel ready and ready to proceed.

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	
<b>Design</b>	\$330,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$2,600,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$100,000
<b>Total</b>	\$3,030,000

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

Private Funds Raised	\$400,000
Federal Earmark (Cardin & Van Hollen)	\$630,000
Bond Bill	\$500,000
Governor Supplemental Budget Request	\$1,500,000
<b>Total</b>	\$3,030,000

<b>14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
Complete	Complete	10/1/2024	10/31/2025
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>		<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>
500000.00		30	60-100
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
2021	\$150,000	Real Property	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Foundation of H.O.P.E., Inc. 8671 Camac Street P.O. Box 1604 Easton, MD 21601		52 South Washington Street Easton, MD 21601	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>		37B - Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot, and Wicomico Counties	
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
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<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Keasha Haythe	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	410-443-9936		
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
8671 Camac Street Easton, MD 21601			

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
1	3	145000.00	245000.00
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Own
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			No
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			Yes
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
To Be Determined			
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>			
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>			
<b>New GSF</b>	5400		

<b>27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion</b>	
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<b>28. Comments</b>	
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This is a much needed space and programming needed for the community and adolescent girls in rural Talbot County. Some results we are proud of includes, Of the first cohort which graduated in May 2023, all have entered technical training or college, a 100% graduation rate for girls completing our program.

Preliminary planning for the project has been done and the rendering and site plan has been completed and shared with the Town of Easton Planning and Zoning. While we are waiting for remaining funding to be approved, we will complete the site plan approval process with the Town of Easton. Upon approval of funding, the project is shovel ready and ready to proceed.

The request of \$500,000 is an investment that will support our ability to expand to provide programming to additional girls and to provide programming to parents and the community.