

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Whitehall		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Gile	Bagnall	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Anne Arundel County	\$400,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Whitehall		
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 Heather Bagnall		heather.bagnall@house.state.md.us
Charlie Scarlett		630-697-8844
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Brandywine Foundation is a family-led 501(c)(3) non-profit whose sole purpose is the stewardship, preservation, support, and sharing of historic Whitehall. The Foundation inherited Whitehall upon the deaths of owners Charles and Marie Scarlett. Since 2008, it has maintained the property and developed a long-term plan for its preservation and sharing with the public. Working with organizations like the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Anne Arundel County, the Maryland Historic Trust and Historic Annapolis as well as the descendant community and others, Whitehall has hosted thousands of visitors, events and numerous historical and archeological research projects. Its long term goal is to partner with the National Park Service to have Whitehall preserved in perpetuity and fully open to the public for recreational, educational and research purposes.</p>		

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

Whitehall is suffering continuing, significant and permanent destruction of irreplaceable elements of the main 260-year-old structure because of its aged and leaking roof, last restored in the 1950s. Rainwater is now entering the interior rooms and destroying original woodcarvings and plaster elements. The need is urgent, and roof repairs will cost in excess of \$1 million according to preservation architect JKOA's 2019 report, including repair recommendations for the roof, gutters, downspouts, and other related construction at Whitehall. Although project costs have undoubtedly increased since 2019, with an LBI grant as matching funds along with the other approved grants, the Foundation will be able to accomplish most of these roof repairs, stop the deterioration and ensure Whitehall's preservation for another 50+ years to be shared with the citizens of Maryland.

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	\$40,000
Construction	\$1,000,000
Equipment	\$0
Total	\$1,040,000

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

Maryland Historic Trust grant	\$100,000
Senator Van Hollen Congressional Earmark grant	\$500,000
Maryland LBI grant	\$400,000
Brandywine Frundation (if needed to cover excess)	\$40,000
Total	\$1,040,000

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
9/1/2024 est.	TBD	3/1/2025 est.	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
20000.00	4,000+/-		4,000+/-
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
None			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
The Brandywine Foundation Inc. 1915 Whitehall Rd. Annapolis, Maryland, 21409		Same	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	33C - Anne Arundel 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:	Charlie Scarlett	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	630-697-8844		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
1	1	200000.00	200000.00
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
N/A			
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	10,000+/-		
Space to be Renovated GSF	Roof		
New GSF	0		

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

1764

28. Comments

Whitehall, located 7 miles southeast of Annapolis, was erected in 1764-65 and extensively enlarged by 1769. As an outstanding example of a Georgian country house with the special distinction of being one of only two pre-Revolutionary houses in America to display a full temple portico (the other being Roger Morris mansion, Jumel, on the Harlem River in New York City begun in 1765), Whitehall is a major milestone in American architectural history. Much of the interior woodwork is attributed to William Buckland on the basis of style, and the plasterwork is documented as that of John Rawlings. Drawings exist by Joseph Horatio Anderson, one of the few professional architects in the Colonies. Although the extent of his work at Whitehall is still uncertain, his involvement with the design provides a possible partial explanation for the greater sophistication of the building. The full two-story salon of the central block combines with the giant portico to make Whitehall a unique example of Palladian architecture in its closer relation to the grandeur and magnificence of the country dwellings of the English aristocracy, giving an interesting illustration of the extension of this life style into the Colonies by the royal governors.

Whitehall was built for Governor Horatio Sharpe, the last Provincial Governor of Maryland, on a 1,000 acre estate overlooking the north bank of the Severn River. The central block of the five-part house, begun in the fall of 1764 and probably completed the following year, was at first only a pavilion used by the Governor as a retreat and for the entertainment of guests making excursions down the river from Annapolis. It was enlarged soon after this date and became the Governors residence from the time of his enforced retirement in 1769 until his return to England in 1773. Whitehall was designed and built under Sharpes direct supervision, as was the surrounding landscaping of gardens, parks, and semi-octagonal entrance court. The latter feature, capable of being fortified, undoubtedly reflected his military interests and concerns for defense. As commander of Colonial forces for the protection of Virginia and adjoining colonies until superseded by Major-General Braddock, he had first-hand experience with Indian warfare on the frontier.

In 1773 Governor Sharpe went to England and never returned. Upon his death in London in 1790 he willed Whitehall to his one-time secretary and friend, John Ridout. The Ridouts altered the mansion about 1793, and at this time second stories were added above the side with drawing rooms of the central block. The mansion remained in the hands of the Ridout family until 1895, when it was acquired and again put into good condition by Mrs. G. W. Story of Washington, DC. Under the ownership of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scarlett, Jr., the structure underwent an extensive restoration in 1957, to return to its 1769 appearance. In 1975, Whitehall was designated as the first National Historic Landmark in the state of Maryland.