

State of Maryland

Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate Bill #	House Bill #	2. Name of Bill
SB568	HB911	Creation of a State Debt - Washington County - Aspiring To Serve the Community
3. Senate Bill Sponsors		House Bill Sponsors
Senators Munson, Hafer, and Mooney		Washington County Delegation
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)		5. Requested Amount
Washington County		\$200,000
6. Purpose of Bill		
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Aspiring to Serve, Inc. for the construction and renovation of a building to serve as a homeless shelter and rental space for nonprofit organizations providing social services, located in Hagerstown.		
7. Matching Fund Requirements		
Prior to the payment of any funds, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. The fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.		
8. Special Provisions		
None.		
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization		
Aspiring to Serve, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization formed to manage and oversee the demolition and rehabilitation of the old Hagerstown Shoe Factory most recently known as the Cannon Shoe Factory. The project involves renovating this five-story industrial building located in downtown Hagerstown into the Aspiring to Serve Community Center. The goals of the Center are to provide affordable space and shared efficiencies for agencies that serve those of limited means. Approximately 16,500 square feet (on four floors) are being converted into a cold weather shelter for homeless individuals as well as providing office and service space for several social service organizations. Washington County Health Department/WIC Program currently resides here with REACH scheduled to move soon. Two other organizations are currently in negotiations for locating in the Center.		
10. Description and Purpose of Project		
The project was initiated by a partnership between Christ's Reformed Church (CRC) and the Religious Effort for Assisting and Caring for the Homeless (REACH) organization. Total cost for planning, design, demolition, and construction of the Center exceeds \$3 million, much of which has been raised through private donations and pledges. Phase I & II have been completed and now funding is needed for Phase III which will finish approximately 8,000 square feet of space for Potomac Case Management and the Commission on Aging. Additional funding is needed for preparing the remaining space for future residency and completing common areas such as plumbing, heating, air conditioning, elevator and the front entrance.		
<i>Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 11 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 12 (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.</i>		
11. Estimated Capital Costs		
Acquisition		-0-
Design		116,000
Construction		3,100,000

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24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site

Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	3	0	\$50,000

25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)

A. Will the grantee own or lease 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?	Yes

D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:

Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
Washington County Health Department	3 years	75,100	2,947
REACH, Inc.	30 years	0	7,800

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	38,000
Space to Be Renovated GSF	38,000
New GSF	38,000

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	1924
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28. Comments:

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