

State of Maryland

Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate Bill #	House Bill #	2. Name of Bill
SB985	HB306	Creation of a State Debt - St. Mary's County - Piney Point Lighthouse Museum
3. Senate Bill Sponsors		House Bill Sponsors
Senator Dyson		St. Mary's County Delegation
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)		5. Requested Amount
St. Mary's County		\$100,000
6. Purpose of Bill		
Authorizing the creation of a State debt, the proceeds to serve as a grant to the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County for site improvements, parking, accessible walkways, and museum exhibits for the Piney Point Lighthouse Museum, located in Piney Point.		
7. Matching Fund Requirements		
Prior to the payment of any funds, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the fund may consist of real property or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. The fund may consist of in kind contributions.		
8. Special Provisions		
None		
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization		
The Board of County Commissioners is the governing body of St. Mary's County, Maryland and the owner of the property that is the subject of this legislation.		
10. Description and Purpose of Project		
<p>The Piney Point Lighthouse was built in 1836 and is known as "The Lighthouse of Presidents". Historically, several U.S. Presidents vacationed there after sailing down the Potomac River from Washington, D.C. This lighthouse is the oldest on the Potomac River and is listed on the National Historic Register. The Lighthouse Museum contains, among other exhibits, a historic wooden boat collection from the Harry Lundberg School of Seamanship and an exhibit devoted to the history of a German U-boat that was sunk off Piney Point during World War II creating Maryland's only underwater preserve. This museum is integral to protecting and preserving the cultural, historical and natural heritage of St. Mary's County.</p> <p>In September of 2003 hurricane Isabel flooded the current museum building. This storm was the third to flood the museum in five years. Damage to the interior of the building was severe and the County determined that it was infeasible to reopen the museum in the same location. The County decided to move the museum to a group of buildings located on an adjacent parcel of County-owned property. The new buildings are located at a higher elevation than the former site and were not affected by Hurricane Isabel.</p> <p>The three new buildings are being renovated to house exhibits pertaining to the local lighthouse, maritime, military, commerce and leisure histories of that region of St. Mary's County. The grounds will support interpretive walk-ways highlighting the natural and cultural history of the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay.</p>		
<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				55,000		
Construction				705,482		
Equipment				170,000		
Total				930,482		
12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)						
Source			Amount			
2005 Requested State Grant			100,000			
2004 Awarded State Grant			100,000			
2002-2005 Local Funds			480,482			
MD Heritage Areas Authority (pending)			100,000			
2005 Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network (proposal)			150,000			
Total				930,482		
13. Project Schedule						
Begin Design		Complete Design		Begin Construction	Complete Construction	
March 04		May 04		June 04	December 06	
14. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2005		15. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site		16. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete		
\$10,829		4,400		12,000		
17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years						
Legislative Session		Amount		Purpose		
2004		\$100,000		Piney Point Lighthouse Museum		
18. Legal Name and Address of Grantee			Project Address (If Different)			
Board of Commissioners for St. Mary's County 23115 Leonard Hall Drive P.O. Box 653 Leonardtown, Maryland 20653			44701 Lighthouse Road Piney Point, Maryland 20674			
19. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone		Email Address	
Phil Rollins, Director, Recreations & Parks			(301) 475-4200 ext 1811		phil.rollins@co.saint-marys.md.us	
Debra L. Pence, Director, Museum Division			(301) 769-2222 ext. 302		debra.pence@co.saint-marys.md.us	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located				29B		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)						
Local Govt.		For Profit		Non Profit		Federal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative			23. If Match Includes Real Property:			

Name:	Heidi E. Dudderar, Asst. Co. Atty	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No	
Phone:	(301) 475-4200 ext 1700		N/A	
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value		
23115 Leonard Hall Drive P.O. Box 653 Leonardtown, Maryland 20653				
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site				
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget	
3	3	40,300	40,300	
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?			No	
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	
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				2750
Space to Be Renovated GSF				2750
New GSF				0
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			2004	
28. Comments:				

