

# State of Maryland

## 2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
2551	SB651	2550	HB649	Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County-Montgomery Village Foundation
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Sen. Hogan and Kramer				Del. King, et. al.
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Montgomery County				\$250,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State debt to serve as a grant to the Board of Directors of Montgomery Village Foundation, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of improvements to the Lake Whetstone facilities, including upgrading and winterizing the boathouse and boat rental facilities that will serve as a place for after school programs and classes for neighborhood children, many of whom are minorities and at risk.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
\$250,000; The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the matching fund may consist of in kind contributions, real property, or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
None.				
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
Montgomery Village Foundation Inc is a nonprofit configured to function akin to a township or municipal government with its Articles of Incorporation setting forth its primary purpose "To promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the community of Montgomery Village" The village's current population is 40,000 and the nonprofit provides all public services except public safety with full time staff of 75 in 7 operating departments. The nonprofit owns some 330 acres that includes recreation facilities, parks, open space, hiking trails, lakes and ponds accessible to a regional population of 200,000				
10. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)				
Enhance and rehabilitate historic community boat house and activities deck serving Lake Whetstone regional recreation center in Montgomery Village to sustain and expand both water and land associated programs and activities including environmental awareness for all age groups with a regional draw of 200,000				
<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				
<b>Acquisition</b>				
<b>Design</b>				\$40,000
<b>Construction</b>				\$370,000
<b>Equipment</b>				\$90,000
<b>Total</b>				\$500,000
12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)				
<b>Source</b>				<b>Amount</b>



<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>
3 part time	1 full time/6 part time	\$50,000	\$100,000
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee <u>own</u> or <u>lease</u> (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>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee and 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>
<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>	1000		
<b>Space to Be Renovated GSF</b>	1000		
<b>New GSF</b>	2000		
<b>27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion</b>			1968
<b>28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)</b>			

The Lake Whetstone Park has been a major regional draw, especially for families for almost 40 years and is the first environmentally focused dedicated recreation area developed in Montgomery Village uniquely combining necessary storm water management through the creation of the lake and preserving a large scale natural habitat in the heart of the community offering a vast array of family oriented recreation opportunities including boating, fishing, nature study, walking paths, picnicking, bird watching, etc. The Boat House and activities deck were originally conceived to be the focal point for programs and activities related to the park at a time when it was foreseen that the community's population would be 25,000 and the region's 100,000 but, in 2006, the community population is 40,000 and the region's is estimated to be double. There has also been a marked shift in the past decade in the diversity of the community and region's population. To continue to be a major positive recreation focal point for the community and region, it is imperative to upgrade the Boat House from seasonal to four season, to improve it to be able to handle modest programs and activities indoors, and to rebuild and enhance the attendant activities deck waterside to support expanded programs and services. There has been no major capital improvement at the site since built 40 years ago. The Lake Whetstone Park is located adjacent to a four lane county road that links to major regional arterials including Mid County Highway and I-270 and is easily accessible and visible, and it is the primary naturally preserve recreation center in Montgomery Village.