State of Maryland 2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project			
LR#	Bill #	LR#	Bill #	2. Name of Project			
3239	SB893	0643	HB229	Creation of a State Debt – Howard County - Blandair			
				Regional Park			
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors			
Howard County Senators				Howard County Delegation			
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			nore City)	5. Requested Amount			
Howard County				\$500,000			
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6. Purpose of Bill

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for the planning and design of a recreational park at Blandair Regional Park located in Columbia.

7. Matching Fund Requirements

This bill requires a standard match.

8. Special Provisions

The bill requires the grantee to convey to the Maryland Historical Trust a perpetual preservation easement to the extent of its interest in the property.

9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)

Howard County, Maryland is the Grantee organization. The Department of Recreation and Parks manages 8000 acres of parkland in Howard County. The Department, in consort with the Howard County Department of Public Works will secure an architectural and engineering firm to design the park based on the Blandair Master Plan. The park will be constructed in fiscal year 2009 upon completion of the subject design effort. The quality of the County's facilities and programs is a testament to the County's ability to manage and operate this proposed regional park.

10. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)

Howard Co. General Obligation Bonds or Transfer Tax

A master plan for this park was developed by the 22-member Blandair Planning Committee in 2003. The Master Plan was presented at three public meetings and was approved with various modifications resulting from those meetings. The Master Plan includes a nature center, pathways and walking trails, court games, athletic fields, picnic facilities, an indoor sports hall, a children's garden, playgrounds, roads and parking.

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.

11. Estimated Capital Costs Acquisition Design \$1,000,000 Construction Equipment Total \$1,000,000 12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.) Source Amount State Bond Bill \$500,000

\$500,000

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12 D			Total		\$1,000,000					
13. Project Schedu		to Do		Darin Canal	a43 a		Complete Construction			
				Begin Const	•					
January 1, 2007		27 31, 2008 15. Current N		<u>+</u>	April, 2009		August, 2011			
14. Total Private F							Number of People to be			
Pledges Raised as o)1	People Served Annually								
January 2006		Project Site			Project is Complete					
150,000 17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years										
Legislative Session	•		Cipieni	s III rast 13 1		Durna	000			
1990		0,000	Dracars	vation of 4 His	Purpose ation of 4 Historic Properties					
1994		5,000 5,000		1						
2004				Ellicott City Colored School Restoration Blandair Mansion Phase I						
2004					Mansion Phase II					
2005	The second secon	1,000		Laurel Comm			r			
18. Legal Name an					Project Address (If Different)					
Howard County, Ma		71 010			6651 Maryland Route 175					
3430 Court House I	•			-	Columbia, MD 21045					
Ellicott City, MD 21		ŕ	,							
19. Contact Name	and Title			Contact P	hone		Email Address			
Gary J. Arthur, Dire			410-313-4	410-313-4640		garthur@co.ho.md.us				
Howard County Dep	ot. of Recrea	tion &	2 Parks							
20. Legislative Dist	trict in Whi	ch Pr	oject is l	Located		13	13			
21. Legal Status of	Grantee (P	lease (Check or	ne)						
Local Govt.	F	or Profit		Non	Non Profit		Federal			
22. Grantee Legal	_				23. If Match Includes Real Property:					
	1. Cook, Co	unty S	olicitor	Has An		Yes/No N/A				
Phone: 410-313-2										
Address:		If Yes	s, List	App	raisal Dates and Value					
Howard County Go										
Office of Law										
3430 Court House I										
Ellicott City, MD 21										
24. Impact of Proje	ect on Staffi	ng an	d ()ner	ating Cost at	Proje	ct Site	e			

Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operation	_	Projected Operating Budget							
0	0 3			250,000							
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)											
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved? Own											
B. If owned, does the	No										
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?											
D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:											
			Cost	Square							
Le	Terms of	Covered by	Footage								
		Lease	Lease	Leased							
E. If property is lease	d by grantee – Provide	the following:									
	f Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew								
26. Building Square F	ootage:										
Current Space GSF				8000							
Space to Be Renovated	I GSF										
New GSF											
27. Year of Constructi	on of Any Structures P	roposed for									
Renovation, Restoration	on or Conversion	-									
28. Comments: (3000 ch	aracters maximum)										
This 300-acre park was	This 300-acre park was purchased with County funds and State Program Open Space funds, thereby										
assuring its permanent use for recreation and preservation purposes. A Regional Park of this											
magnitude will draw visitors from throughout the County as well as adjacent jurisdictions. The											
County population to be served is currently in excess of 270,000 people. This facility can host large											
festivals and athletic tournaments and will greatly benefit the local economy, particularly											
restaurants, hotels, sporting goods stores and small markets. This park is in the Planned Service											
Area (Smart Growth Area) of Howard County and will help reduce the current over-usage of											
Centennial Park. This project is identified in the 2005 Land Preservation, Recreation and Parks											
Plan as a "short range" need, and it will help address current shortages of athletic fields, court games, playgrounds and pathways in the Ellicott City, Elkridge, North Laurel and Columbia											
	pathways in the Ellicott	City, Elkridge, Nort	th Laurel and C	Columbia							
Planning Areas.											