

State of Maryland

2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
0800	SB23	0775	HB685	Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City - Sandi's Learning Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Sen. Hughes				Del. Marriott, et al.
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore City				\$1,000,000.00
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Sandi's Learning Center, Inc. for the planning, design, and construction of a day care center.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
This bill requires a matching fund that may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act. No part of the fund may consist of real property or in-kind contributions.				
8. Special Provisions				
None				
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>Sandi's Learning Center, Inc., was founded in November 2003. It is an expansion of the successful business, Sandi's Learning Day Care Center, LLC that was founded in September 2002. In our community, we are a highly visible organization that can be described as a specialist in the field of childcare services. Our goal is to provide quality early care and education programs that will produce better outcomes for children. In order to help attain the project's goals, Sandi's Learning Center will continue its partnership with Baltimore City Child Care Resource Head Start and the The Department of Social Service Family Investment Program. In addition, by December, 2005, construction will be 100% completed; by March 2006, Sandi's Learning Center will be accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education and the National Association for the Education of Young Children; and a partnership will be formed with the Maryland State Department of Education.</p>				

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

Sandi’s Learning Center, Inc. will provide a much-needed service to a community lacking in child development, family development, and community development services. The goal is to build a 15,200 feet facility that will provide a full service learning facility to address the educational and development needs of the community. Specifically, Sandi’s Learning Center, Inc. will provide the following:

- Quality Birth-to-Five Child Development Services – Our curriculum includes skills for school readiness and they address key child development areas of physical well being, social and emotional development, approaches to learning, language development, and cognition.
- Quality After-School Care Services – Children who would otherwise be “latchkey” children will receive supervision, educational services, and structured fun activities.
- Family Development Services – Workshops and resources offered to aid families.
- Community Development Services – On-going workshop, hands-on training in early childhood development, technology, professional development and resources offered to aid members in the community
- Professional Development Services for Early Childhood Educators- We will continue our partnership with Baltimore Child Care Resource Center Head Start Program and the Department of Social Services Family Investment Program. In addition, we will continue to train, motivate and, monitor our instructors continuously.

The short- term benefit to the community will be having a stable and ever present business entity addressing the specific needs of the community. The long- term benefit will be a generation of children acquiring basic skills and motivated and encouraged to pursue higher education. The center will have the capacity to serve 225 children and their families.

Moreover, in this wavering economy, jobs and business opportunities will be created. Initially, an additional 12 jobs will be created (teachers, teachers' aids, chief cook), but numerous positions will become available: janitorial staff, technical assistance and marketing staff.

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	66,000.00
Construction	1,641,890.00
Equipment	285,487.00
Total	1,993,886.00

12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Source	Amount
1st Mariner Bank	450,000
Maryland Department of Business & Economic Development (DBED) - Loan	150,000
State Bond Bill	1,000,000
Department of Housing and Community Development	300,000
The Abell Foundation Grant	80,236
The Weinberg Foundation Grant	13,650

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	12,800 S.F.		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	N/A		
New GSF	15,200 S.F.		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			