

State of Maryland

2006 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3530	SB981		HB1629	Creation of a State Debt – Prince George's County - Forest Heights Municipal Building
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Sen. Lawlah				Del. Kelley, Patterson, and V. Turner
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Prince George's				\$300,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt to serve as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights for the repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Forest Heights Municipal Building.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
None.				
8. Special Provisions				
None.				
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Mayor and Council of the Town of Forest Heights serve a municipality of Prince George's County, The Town of Forest Heights. The Mayor and Town Council represent both the executive and legislative branches of the town government and are headquartered in the proposed renovation project site. This site is utilized for all administrative, governmental, and legislative functions for the residents of the municipality and is also made available for youth programs, elderly programs and other social programs to citizens in the municipality. This project will allow the Mayor and Town Council to provide its citizenry with an enhanced facility where social programming, and governmental functions can be efficiently administered.</p>				
10. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Town of Forest Heights Town Hall has been in disrepair for decades. Nevertheless, it is the only public facility in the municipality. It is utilized for youth programs, elderly programs, social functions, and governmental administration. However, it remains in disrepair with a constantly leaking flat roof, outdated utility components (plumbing and electric), and deteriorating façade. The functionality of the facility is inadequate and hinders the day to day operations and extracurricular usage (social, cultural, youth) for the citizens. The facility is 5000 square feet evenly divided into two floors (2500 square feet per floor) connected by a stairway. This stairway provides a challenge to our many elderly citizens attempting to access the upstairs chambers for functions. Furthermore, the leaking roof leaks in several locations within the main upstairs chambers where all public meetings, youth activities, and other social programming are conducted. Renovation and repair of this facility would encourage participation of the our citizens in the governmental process and would dramatically increase the volume of youth and other social programming</p>				
<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></p>				
11. Estimated Capital Costs				
Acquisition				
Design				

Construction			
Equipment			
Total			
12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)			
Source		Amount	
Total			
13. Project Schedule			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
July 2006	September 2006	October 2006	April 2007
14. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2006		15. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	
N/A		5,000	
17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
05	175	Road Repair	
18. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Mayor and Council of the Town of Forest Heights		5508 Arapahoe Drive Forest Heights, Maryland 20745	
19. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone	Email Address
Mayor Myles Spires, Jr.		301-221-4768	mayor.fh@verizon.net
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			26th
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Myles Spires, Jr.	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-221-4768		
Address:	If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value		
5508 Arapahoe Drive			

Forest Heights, Maryland 20745			
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
16	20	1.3 mil	1.6 mil
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)			
A. Will the grantee <u>own</u> or <u>lease</u> (pick one) 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	5000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	5000		
New GSF	7500		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1965
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			