

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3263	SB918	1618	HB230	St. Mary's College Amphitheater
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Dyson				Bohanan
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
St. Mary's				\$500,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Authorizing the creation of a State Debt to serve as a grant to the Board of Directors of the St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the St. Mary's College Amphitheater.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No Part of the matching fund may consist of in kind contributions. The fund may consist of real property or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
None.				
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone	Email Address
Chip Jackson			240-895-4412	ccjackson@smcm.edu
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation, Inc.</p> <p>The Foundation was formed in 1972 exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The specific purposes of the Foundation include, but are not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. receiving contributions, accepting, holding, investing, reinvesting, and administering any gifts, bequests, devices, benefits of trust and property of any sort, without limitations as to the amount of value and using, disbursing, or donating the income, and principal thereof to enhance, improve, promote, and develop the capabilities of the institution of St. Mary's College of Maryland and to benefit that institution, its students and faculty including but not limited to the awarding of grants and the making of loans to the institution, its faculty, employees and students; and 2. doing whatever is deemed necessary, useful, advisable, or conducive, directly or indirectly, to carry out any of the purposes of the Corporation, including the exercise of all other authority enjoyed by corporations generally by virtue of the Code of the State of Maryland. <p>The Corporation is managed by its Board of Directors, comprised of eight elected Directors and the President of St. Mary's College of Maryland who participates ex officio as a non-voting Director.</p>				

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

The Amphitheater project includes a permanent stage, site improvements, and infrastructure to support the popular, community-supported River Concert Series and other community events at St. Mary's College of Maryland. The project envisions constructing a permanent raised brick stage platform in the lawn area between Scheafer Hall, Montgomery Hall, and the construction of the New Student Services Building . The stage will be approximately 90 feet wide by 55 feet deep. Covering for the stage may be a permanent hard cover or a seasonal fabric cover as determined by the design process for this project. The project will renovate and make use of existing spaces in adjoining buildings for dressing rooms, green rooms, rest rooms, warm up spaces etc.

Site and infrastructure improvements will include a loading dock to facilitate access by service vehicles and lawn seating for the audience. Permanent power hookups will be provided at the stage for lighting and sound systems which will continue to be rented as needed for each event. Infrastructure to support control of stage lighting and sound from the audience area of the lawn will be provided as a permanent feature. An electrical generator will be installed to provide emergency egress lighting. An irrigation system will be installed in the lawn seating area to assist in recovery of the lawns from the wear and tear of events. Infrastructure to support food and other vendors that provide the popular "carnival" atmosphere at the River Concert Series will be provided.

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.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$160,000
Construction	\$1,560,000
Equipment	\$180,000
Total	\$1,900,000

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

Source	Amount
State Bond Bill FY '07	\$250,000
State Bond Bill FY '08	\$500,000
St. Mary's County Government FY '07	\$250,000
St. Mary's County Government FY '08	\$250,000
Private Donations	\$650,000
Total	\$1,900,000

14. Project Schedule

Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
March '07	June '08	September '08	June '09

15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2007	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
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\$0	37,000	50,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years		
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose
FY '07	\$250,000	To design and build an amphitheater at St. Mary's College of Maryland
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)
St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation, Inc. 18952 E. Fisher Rd. St. Mary's City, MD 20686-3001		
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		First
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)		
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:
Name:	Salvatore M. Meringolo, Exec. Dir.	Has An Appraisal
Phone:	240-895-4282	Been Done?
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value
18952 E. Fisher Rd. St. Mary's City, MD 20686-3001		
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site		
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget
0	0	\$326,000
		Projected Operating Budget
		\$326,000
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?		Property owned by St. Mary's College of Maryland
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?		N/A
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
N/A		

E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF		0	
Space to Be Renovated GSF		1,000	
New GSF		5,000	
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			197
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)			
<p>This is a county-backed project on land owned by St. Mary's College of Maryland. The applicant is the St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation. Reflected in Item #24 is the current operating budget for the River Concert Series, which will be reduced by the amount annually expended for staging, tent, and some equipment that is included in this project. Increased use of the facility (see increased number served in #16) will offset these savings, as reflected in the projected budget.</p> <p>The River Concert Series at St. Mary's College of Maryland provides the citizens of the region with high-quality, professional performances each June-July, enriching cultural offerings while raising the profile of Southern Maryland throughout the state. The impetus for the River Concert Series sprang from the desire to improve the cultural offerings in the region for arrival of new residents affiliated with BRAC-enlarged Patuxent River Naval Air Station. Governor Ehrlich recognized the prominence of the River Concert Series with a 2003 Tourism Impact Award.</p> <p>The Chesapeake Orchestra, the resident ensemble of the River Concert Series, under the direction of Jeffrey Silberschlag, offers programs designed to reach the broadest possible audiences. Both renowned artists and bright new talents are featured. Concerts are held outdoors in a family-friendly, community-welcoming atmosphere. The Series has become a vital element of community life and a significant tool for economic development in the region. The direct support of corporate sponsors, mostly defense contractors, has also grown from eleven sponsors in 1999 to forty-four sponsors in 2006.</p> <p>The River Concert Series has evolved into an indispensable cultural event for the region. An amphitheater at the College will provide a permanent home and assure continued growth. In addition, it will allow for expanded programming from April to November to include additional concerts, theater productions, vocal and dance performances, operas, outdoor films, and College academic exercises.</p>			