

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
767	SB208	765	HB104	Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Gladden				Rosenberg
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore City				\$300,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of an addition to the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center.</p>				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
<p>Grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.</p>				
8. Special Provisions				
None				
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone	Email Address
Linda Trope, Administrator			410-358-6856	ltrope@myerbergcenter.org
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center is an activity center for older adults, ages 55+, dedicated to improving their mental, spiritual and physical health through stimulating classes, programs and needed social services. The Center provides over 40 classes a week in art, physical exercise, languages, writing, and seminars in music appreciation from classical to jazz, history and philosophy, Great Books. Stimulating and entertaining programs bring older adults together for friendship and opportunities for socialization. An on-site nutrition program provides a nourishing hot noon meal for over 60 older, more frail seniors five days a week. A 5000 volume library, staffed completely by senior volunteers, provides large print reading materials as well as the latest best sellers and reference books. The Center provides free tax preparation through AARP, driver recertification, medicare part D sign-up through our on-site social worker, help with arranging for reduced home heating and electric bills and other social services.</p>				

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

The Center proposes to build a 4000 square foot addition to the Center which will contain a 25000 square foot fitness center with equipment designed specifically for use by older adults, a 1000 square foot painting studio which increases the space for the Center's popular painting classes and provides an expanded space for painting classes which use easels. There will also be a 500 square foot lobby which will house a small café giving people a place to gather for a snack and conversation. Fitness center programming is the direction of the future for senior centers as a means of attracting younger seniors to the Center's extensive programming and to create additional lowcost fitness options for older adults in our community. More people are becoming health conscious. In order to remain relevant for the future and to provide greater opportunities for older adults to maintain and/or improve their health, a fitness center, specifically geared to the needs of older adults is important. Lifebridge Health and Fitness, a member of the Lifebridge Health Systems in Baltimore, has agreed to partner with the Center, providing staffing and programming and oversight for the fitness center.

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	\$20,000
Construction	\$880,000
Equipment	\$200,000
Total	\$1,100,000.

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

Source	Amount
State Bond Bill	\$300,000
Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation grant	\$300,000
Thalheimer Foundation grant	\$50,000
Weinberg Foundation Matching grant	\$50,000
Macht Foundation grant	\$30,000
Shelley and Sheldon Goldseker pledge	\$50,000
Weinberg Foundation Matching grant	\$50,000
Alli Russel and Robert Russel pledge	\$25,000
Goldman/Brooks	\$25,000
Cash	\$6,000
future pledges being solicited currently	\$214,000
Total	\$1,100,000

14. Project Schedule

Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
underway	March, 2007	May, 2007	August, 2007

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
\$586,000	5,000	7,000

18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years

Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose

19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center, Inc.			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		3 rd congressional district	
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Sanford Schreiber	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-539-7558		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Law Offices of Blades and Rosenfeld 1200 Sun Life Building 20 South Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201			
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
3 FT; 5 PT; 1 custodian	4 FT, 5 PT; 2 custodians	\$500,000	\$550,000
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 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		16,4000 square feet
Space to Be Renovated GSF		4,000
New GSF		20,400 square feet
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion		original building: 1989 addition: 1999
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)		
<p>The Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center serves about 5000 older adults annually. It is a vital community center for older adults of varying ages from 55 to over 100 years. Many people consider it their second home. Our 8 art courses are extremely popular and serve a large number of extremely talented amateur artisits. The Center's 9 exercise classes also serve a large number of older adults, from the most limber and agile to the more frail elderly. Five courses in beginning aerobics and advanced aerobics, 2 courses in seniorcize or chair aerobics for the older more frail adult, 1 course in yoga and recently we added a course in aerobic line dancing. With the addition of the fitness center, we will be able to increase the options for exercise under guided instruction, using equipment that is geared specifically for the abilities and limitations of older adults. The fitness center will be staffed and operated by Lifebridge Health and Fitness. For the first year, fitness instructor salaries will be paid by Lifebridge and all income received from the center will be paid to Lifebridge to cover fitness instructor salaries. A fitness center at the Myerberg would give more older adults the opportunity to participate in exercise as the cost to participate will come out to about \$1.00 per day, a reasonable amount for seniors on fixed incomes.</p>		