

State of Maryland

2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3335	SB994	3294	HB1343	Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors			House Bill Sponsors	
Stoltzfus			Conway	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount	
Worcester			\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bill				
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt to serve as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center, Inc. for the construction, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center.</p>				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
<p>The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the matching fund may consist of real property or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act. The fund may consist of in kind contributions.</p>				
8. Special Provisions				
<p>Requiring the grantee to grant and convey a certain easement to the Maryland Historical Trust.</p>				
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone	Email Address	
Curt Lippoldt		410-957-2752	CurtLippoldt@aol.com	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center, Inc.(MTPAC) is a non-profit 501C3 committee made up of 15 board members and approximately 225 general members who mostly reside in Pocomoke City and the three southern counties of Maryland's Eastern Shore. The group's goal is to save and restore a historic one screen movie theater located in Downtown Pocomoke City, Maryland. When fully restored the theater will become a performing arts center, movie theater and community/regional center. The MTPAC committee has planned and overseen the restoration process and will be responsible for the transition from restoration to operational functions.</p>				
11. Description and Purpose of Project (3000 characters maximum)				
<p>The Mar-Va Theater is a 1927 art deco structure originally built and used as a vaudeville and silent movie theater. When sound movies were introduced, the theater became primarily a movie theater with occasional live productions by local talent. The theater closed in 1995 when the cost to replace a failed heating system exceeded the funds available to the owner. The purposes for restoring the theater are three fold: 1) Save a historic building of which Pocomoke City has few because of several major fires, 2) Improve the quality of life for the citizens of the Pocomoke City and surrounding region, and 3) Act as a catalyst for the revitalization of Downtown Pocomoke City.</p> <p>The vision and mission of the MTPAC committee is to provide a self-supporting diversified performing arts center for the cultural and educational enrichment of the community. The Center will achieve this with creative partnerships in the community: theatrical experiences, concerts, music (instrumental and vocal), movies, art exhibits, guest lecturers, community gatherings, public meetings, business trade shows, etc. The Center will rent the facility to other organizations for their productions and events.</p>				

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	TT
Design	
Construction	\$170,000
Equipment	\$30,000
Total	\$200,000

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

Source	Amount
Maryland Bond Bill Grant	\$100,000
Cash on Hand	\$20,000
Fund Drive	\$45,000
Fund Raising Events	\$20,000
Memberships, Seat Sales, and Donations	\$15,000
Total	\$200,000

14. Project Schedule

Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
Started	Completed	Started	July 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
\$15,000-this phase only	Theater not operational	50,000 theater attendees-many others such as art students, etc.

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

Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose
2002	18,249	Amendment to Legislative Session 2002 MHT grant
2003	50,000	Instsall AC/HV system - Bond Bill
2003	100,000	Adquisition of theater structure - Neighborhood Business
2004	113,000	Install stage lighting system - Legacy Grant

19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee	Project Address (If Different)
Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center, Inc. 103 Market St. P.O. Box 537 Pocomoke City, MD 21851	

20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	38B
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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:	David W. Bodley	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-957-9900		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
112 Front St. Pocomoke City, MD 21851			
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
None	4	Not yet in operation	\$180,000 annual
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?			Yes
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
George Staubs - Downtown Coffee Shop	\$ 169 per month		520
Salty Dog Grooming Place	\$ 209 per month		540
Balance of time left on both above leases is 5 years. Leases were in effect when MTPAC purchased building. Will not be renewed. Space will then be used for other theater purposes.			
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	6,500 square feet
Space to Be Renovated GSF	6,500 square feet
New GSF	6,500 square feet
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	1927
28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)	
<p>The Mar-Va Theater was purchased by the Mar-Va Theater Performing Arts Center Committee in April 2003. After two years of planning and fund raising, renovation was begun in earnest in the fall of 2005. Almost all work has been completed including new restrooms, dressing rooms, interior painting and decoration, stage structures, partial replacement of floor and roof, new front and rear doors, new fire sprinkler systems, new heating and air conditioning systems, complete replacement of house wiring, and installation of a new stage lighting system. The cost of each renovation was paid for when completed. The theater has no current debt except a \$40,000 balance on the mortgage. The purpose of this grant request is to help cover the balance of the work to be done including partial funding of seats and sound systems, reconditioning of projection equipment, purchase and installation of a security system, installing carpet and new stage floor and the installation of a larger water service entrance. If the money needed were already on hand, the renovation could be completed and the theater building ready for operation (barring any unforeseen problems) within ninety days of this writing. The manufacture of the fixed seats requires approximately 60 days.</p>	