

State of Maryland

2010 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project
lr2279	sb0296	lr2275	hb0363	Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women
3. Senate Bill Sponsors			House Bill Sponsors	
Jones			Haynes	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore City			\$350,000	
6. Purpose of Bill				
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Foundation for the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women.</p>				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements:		Type:		
Equal		The matching fund may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.		
8. Special Provisions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian		
9. Contact Name and Title		Contact Phone	Email Address	
Maureen Colburn		202-248-4865	mcolburn@blsyw.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)				
<p>The Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women (BLSYW) is a first-rate, college preparatory public charter school for young women in Baltimore. The school opened in September 2009 with 120 students in the sixth grade and will grow to serve 680 students in grades 6-12. BLSYW is open to students from across Baltimore City, students are admitted to the school through a lottery and there are no criteria for entrance into the school. BLSYW is the only public, all girls, secondary school in Baltimore and boasts a 97% attendance rate for its first year. BLSYW provides students with an intensive middle school experience that prepares them for rigorous, college preparatory courses in high school. Our goal is that 100% of our students will graduate from high school and attend four year colleges. BLSYW engages students in learning through a strong academic culture and innovative teaching practices essential to the development of the whole young woman—emotionally, physically and scholastically. BLSYW cultivates self confidence, individuality, and a strong sense of community responsibility. Young women of BLSYW demonstrate leadership at every level—self, school and society.</p>				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit Length to Visible area)

The goal of this project is to provide a home for the 680 students that will attend the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women (BLSYW). The school is currently sharing space with Western HS and must move to new space to begin the 2010 school year. The total project cost is \$4,000,000.

The Board of Directors of the Foundation for the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women (Foundation for BLSYW) located an ideal facility for our school, the YWCA of Greater Baltimore at 128 W. Franklin Street, Baltimore MD. The YWCA no longer operates programs out of this facility and has agreed to sell the 70,000 square foot building to the Foundation for BLSYW for \$1,500,000. The settlement date is set for February 5, 2010. In addition to the cost of acquisition, the building will need to be renovated for use as a school. The facility already has a commercial kitchen, auditorium and gymnasium. Estimates for the renovation have been up to 4.6 million. We have identified a contractor willing to do the renovation for us at cost. The estimated cost of this renovation is \$2,500,000.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (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	\$1,500,000
Design	\$22,500
Construction	\$2,250,000
Equipment	\$227,500
Total	\$4,000,000

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

Source	Amount
Foundations	\$1,000,000
Corporations	\$250,000
Individuals	\$900,000
Local Bond Bill	\$350,000
Mortgage	\$1,500,000
Total	\$4,000,000

14. Project Schedule			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
12/10/09	2/5/10	2/15/10	9/1/10
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
Capital Campaign begins Feb. 2010		0	220 growing to 680
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
None			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Foundation for the Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women P.O. Box 41582 Baltimore, MD 21203		128 W. Franklin Street Baltimore, MD	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located			44th
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:	Linda Jones	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-347-1362		Yes
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Gallagher Evelius and Jones 218 N. Charles Street, Ste. 400 Baltimore, MD 21201		10/8/09	\$1,460,000

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
13	20-45 at full capacity	\$1,743,169	\$2,510,981-6,326,686 at full capacity
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?			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
Baltimore City Public School System	5 years for use as BLSYW	\$1	70,000
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	70000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	70000		
New GSF	70000		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion		1926	

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

This year BLSYW was housed in a temporary location and the school needs a permanent home. BLSYW has agreed to purchase and renovate the former YWCA of Greater Baltimore at 128 W. Franklin Street (Franklin and Park). This building is the perfect home for our school. Located in Mount Vernon the building is across the street from the Enoch Pratt Library, centrally located to public transportation and surrounded by many businesses and museums. The prime location of this school will enable students from across the city to attend our school and will allow our students to access the cultural resources of our great city.