

# State of Maryland

## 2010 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR #      Bill #		House LR #      Bill #		2. Name of Project	
		lr3575	hb1529	St. Mary's County Fairgrounds	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
				Bohanan	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount		
St. Mary's County			\$60,000		
6. Purpose of Bill					
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$60,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the St. Mary's County Fair Association, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a building on the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds.</p>					
7. Matching Fund					
Requirements:  Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or 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
John Richards			301-475-8434		jrichards@md.metrocast.net
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>The Saint Mary's County Fair Association Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization chartered in 1947. It is a totally volunteer organization dedicated to the production of a traditional agricultural County Fair, and the year round development and management of the Fairground facility. We are a registered charity in the State of Maryland.</p>					

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

During the snow/ice mega-storm in early February 2010, two buildings at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds collapsed. One is the 4-H exhibit building (2400 sq.ft.). The other is the Livestock Show-ring (5000 sq.ft.). The purpose of this project is to replace these vital buildings.

The Fairground is an important agricultural icon in St. Mary's County. Each year there are 120,000 visits to the Fairground. Approximately half of these visits are during the County Fair, where visitors can see livestock up close, and 4-Hers completing their projects. The other 60,000 visits are for various community events, such as the Crab Festival, Oyster Festival, Spring Festival, and Southern Maryland Invitational Livestock Show, which raise thousands of dollars for local charities. The 4-H livestock auction at the County Fair alone raised in the order of \$90,000 for 4-H participants.

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	
<b>Design</b>	
<b>Construction</b>	\$132,000
<b>Equipment</b>	
<b>Total</b>	\$132,000

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

<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Bond Bill	\$60,000
Federal Grant Request	\$60,000
Cash Reserves	\$12,000
<b>Total</b>	\$132,000

<b>14. Project Schedule</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
February 2010	March 2010	April 2010	June 2010
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>		<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>
		120,000	120,000
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Saint Mary's County Fair Association Inc. P O Box 243 Leonardtown, MD 20650		(physical address) 42455 Fairgrounds Road Leonardtown, MD 20650	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>			
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Daniel Slade	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	301 475 5150		
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
41650 Court House Drive Suite 301 Leonardtown, MD 20650			

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
0	0		
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			lease
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
County Commissioners for St. Mary's County	ends June 30, 2017	not addressed at this time	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>	7400		
<b>Space to Be Renovated GSF</b>	7400		
<b>New GSF</b>	7400		
<b>27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion</b>		4-H building - 1960 Livestock Show-ring - 1984	

**28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)**

The Fairground land is leased to the Fair Association on a long term lease. All operating expenses and improvements to the property are funded by the Fair Association.

This storm was unusual in the amount of snow/ice load on these two buildings. We have only been able to obtain fire/wind/vandalism insurance coverage for our facilities. Thus there was no insurance payment for this weather event.