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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 791 Appropriations

(Delegate Stein)

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010 - Baltimore County - HopeWell Cancer Support Facility

This bill alters the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2010 to accurately reflect the location of the HopeWell Cancer Support Facility project. The project site is located in Lutherville; the site was incorrectly identified as Brooklandville.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2011.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: The bill does not directly affect the finances or operations of Baltimore County.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 483 of 2010 authorizes up to \$175,000 in matching funds to the Board of Trustees of HopeWell Cancer Support, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the HopeWell Cancer Support Facility, located in Brooklandville. No part of the grantee's matching fund may consist of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the June 1, 2010 effective date of Chapter 483.

Background: HopeWell Cancer Support offers various oncology support programs, educational seminars, exercise classes, and social activities to people in the Baltimore metropolitan area. Since 1992, HopeWell has served over 7,500 individuals. In 2009, HopeWell served a total of about 1,000 people and received a total of roughly 8,000 visits. The organization's participant level has increased 20% per year over the last three years.

The facility is located in an old farmhouse on an eight-acre lot in Baltimore County. The grantee advises that the organization has a two-phase renovation plan. The first phase of the organization's program expansion, which the grantee advises has been completed, included construction of a new facility to serve more individuals suffering from cancer. The second phase addresses the facility's inadequate infrastructure; in particular, grant monies will be used to build an additional parking lot. The grantee advises that matching funds have been raised and the new parking lot will be completed by the fall of 2011.

The grantee advises that, although the organization has a Brooklandville mailing address, the facility's physical location is in Lutherville.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): HopeWell Cancer Support, Inc.; Baltimore County; Department

of General Services; Department of Legislative Services

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