

State of Maryland

2011 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project	
		lr3049	hb1301	Academy of Success Community Empowerment Center	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
				Stukes	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount		
Baltimore City			\$400,000		
6. Purpose of Bill					
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Academy of Success, Inc. for the acquisition, design, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Academy of Success Community Empowerment Center.</p>					
7. Matching Fund					
Requirements:			Type:		
Equal			The matching fund may consist of 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	
Benjamin Barnwell, Sr.		410-945-9500		academyofsuccess@verizon.net	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>BACKGROUND - Academy Of Success Inc (AOS, Inc.) is a community-based non-profit tax exempt 501 (c) (3) organization in Baltimore City. Established in 1999 as a structured after school program, the organization began serving Baltimore's vulnerable & under-served populations by providing quality educational, mentoring, recreational and other supportive services to children, youth, families & schools in Baltimore City. The organization increased its capacity and services in the fall of 2000 after the closing of several Baltimore City Police Athletic League Programs. AOS, Inc. developed and implemented a holistic approach for delivering an array of direct services to Baltimore City's children and youth to increase academic performance, critical life skills and mentoring relationships as a strategy for preventing and/or reducing substance abuse, crime, violence, and school dropout rates.</p> <p>MISSION - The mission of the Academy of Success, Inc. is to lead a collaborative effort that will empower individuals, families, and communities to create effective changes towards improving the quality of life for vulnerable, under-served and under-resourced populations in Baltimore City.</p>					

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

VISION - The vision of the Academy of Success, Inc. is that vulnerable, and under-served populations in Baltimore City will be empowered as each individual develops the potential and receives the resources for managing their own life; each family will realize their right and accept the responsibility to participate in the affairs of their community, and each organization or community we serve creates a social climate which encourages positive growth and development.

GOAL - The goal is to increase the rate of self-sufficiency among individuals & families by creating a central point of access to a comprehensive menu of quality services for vulnerable, under-served and at-risk citizens of Baltimore City through the creation of the Academy of Success Community Empowerment Center.

THE APPROACH - The organization is implementing a "Systems Approach" for addressing the critical needs of the target populations. This "System" for empowerment is comprised of five strategic core components of services: Education, Workforce Development, Health & Human Services, Community Service & Capacity Building, and Economic Development.

PLEASE SEE COMMENTS SECTION #28 FOR MORE INFORMATION

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	\$630,000
Design	\$69,500
Construction	\$1,787,500
Equipment	\$387,000
Total	\$2,874,000

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

Source	Amount
2011 State Grant - Requested	\$400,000
Prior - 2010 State Grant - Spent	\$100,000
Prior - 2009 State Grant - Spent	\$50,000
Prior - 2005 State Grant - Spent	\$300,000
Mortgage	\$500,000
Prior - Federal Funds - Spent	\$315,000
Private Fundraising - Spent	\$215,000
In-Kind Skilled Labor/Sweat Equity - Performance	\$425,000
Other Funds Sought - (Pending Discussion)	\$569,000
Total	\$2,874,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
Ongoing	March 2010	Ongoing	07/2012
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
		650-700 clients, children, youth & families	3,000-3,500 clients, children, youth & families
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2010 Session	\$100,000	Plumbing & electrical upgrades, building supplies & material for building renovation.	
2009 Session	\$50,000	Building supplies & materials for renovation of a building to be used as a community empowerment center.	
2005 Session	\$300,000	For the acquisition, planning, design, & renovation of a building to be used as a community empowerment center.	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Academy of Success, Inc. 200 S. Franklinton Road Baltimore, MD 21223			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	44 - Southeastern Baltimore City		
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:	Martin F. Cadogan, Esquire	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-832-7500		YES
Address:	If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value		
The Cadogan Firm 100 West Road, Suite 300 Towson, Maryland 21204		May 2010	\$1,400,000

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
12	60 (Over 4 yrs)	\$450K	\$2.5 Million (Over 4 yrs)
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	30,000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	25,000		
New GSF	55,000		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1946

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

THIS IS AN ONGOING "SHOVEL READY PROJECT"

Through these five core components we will deliver a comprehensive menu of enhanced & new services as well as coordinate the delivery of services that will be provided by co-located service partners. The strategic integration of these five core components are expected to produce positive outcomes specifically aligned with the needs and desires of the community.

THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES: will provide 1) GED/Adult Literacy & computer skills training courses for an average of 80 adult per year; 2) Supplemental Educational Services to 150 eligible public school students who attend Title I schools & schools determined to be "in need of improvement"; and 3) Secondary Education to 400 male students through the creation of the Academy of Success Community High School.

THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: will provide 1) Building Construction Trades Pre-Apprenticeship, Lead Paint Abatement, Alternative Energy Installation, Home Energy Auditing & Weatherization Training courses to at least 100 unemployed/under-employed or under-skilled individuals; and 2) the Technology courses will focus on IT Certification & Computer Recycling.

THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES: will provide a comprehensive menu of services delivered by highly qualified service providers, local & state agencies who will be located on-site at the new facility in order to increase access to services for targeted populations. The range of services will include; but, are not limited to family, marriage & individual counseling; alcohol/substance abuse, anger management & confliction services/referrals; and debt reduction, credit repair, financial literacy, home ownership and more.

COMMUNITY SERVICE & CAPACITY BUILDING: will 1) coordinate efforts to clean-up community parks, the Gwynns Falls Trail, Gwynns Falls stream, playgrounds and vacant lots; 2) make after-school programming available to at-risk and under-served children/youth; and 3) provide research based training, best practices, support and technical assistance to community-based & faith-based organizations that serves children, youth & families. These activities are aimed to prevent/reduce alcohol/substance abuse, crime, violence, gang involvement, and community risk factors. The programs and services will provide leadership development, community mobilization, mentoring, and program development training.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: will provide entrepreneurship training, small business start-up assistance & incubation, home ownership, foreclosure prevention, financial literacy & management workshops, co-op purchasing, debt reduction, insurance assessment & acquisition. This component will also create a community business networking that will help to assess the needs of area business and coordinate workshop, meetings, & other strategies to strengthen businesses throughout the area.