

State of Maryland

2011 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
lr2988	sb0923	lr2773	hb1191	Junior League of Baltimore Thrift Store
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Conway				McIntosh
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 Junior League of Baltimore, Inc. for the design, construction, and renovation of the Junior League of Baltimore Thrift Store's Community Space.</p>				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements:		Type:		
Equal		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	
Laura Pappas		(410) 262-1391	Laura@jlbalt.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)				
<p>Over its 98-year history, the Junior League of Baltimore (JLB) has trained women to be civic leaders. The JLB has responded to direct service needs in our community, started not-for-profits, advocated on issues impacting women and children, and led non-profit boards on the local, state and national levels. Whether in the corporate, non-profit, or volunteer arena, the Junior League has consistently developed women's leadership and fiscal acumen while heightening their sense of civic responsibility. By collaborating to build coalitions, identify community needs, and develop effective and responsive programs to serve those needs, the Junior League has established a long and proud tradition of service. With its mission-driven emphasis to train women to serve as community leaders, the JLB is proud that last year its members volunteered over 25,000 hours of community service. Junior League programs and projects: increased awareness of childhood obesity, provided mentoring for at-risk women through our Wise Penny internship, supported the parents and children of Govan's Elementary School, shared the gift of song to the elderly & disabled, and provided the community access to free healthcare information and screenings.</p>				

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

The Junior League of Baltimore's Thrift Store and Community Space capital project allowed the Junior League to build a second floor on to its existing Wise Penny Thrift Store, wholly owned and operated by the Junior League. This facility provides a space for on site volunteer training and community projects, as well as permanently houses its member headquarters. In addition, updates & renovations were needed for the Wise Penny Thrift Store, a critical resource to local neighbors. The JLB has leveraged this resource to carry out work in the community and in its fundraising efforts to support these important initiatives. The Wise Penny Thrift Store Internship program has now graduated 10 interns and aided them in seeking gainful employment. League functions such as an annual Health Fair, a community forum on childhood obesity, general membership & committee meetings and membership trainings are all held in the new headquarters space. The League also now provides an important resource center for the community. Local residents have used our space to host baby and wedding showers, homecomings for our service men & women, and family reunions. External non-profits and businesses use our resource space each month to hold association meetings, trainings, host speakers, teach classes, and more.

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	
Design	
Construction	\$2,393,000
Equipment	
Total	\$2,393,000

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

Source	Amount
State Grant	\$400,000
Junior League Membership	\$417,000
Corporations, Foundations & Other Grants	\$376,000
Bank Financing	\$1,200,000
Total	\$2,393,000

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
Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed
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
\$417,000		2200	2200
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2007	100,000	Junior League Thrift Store & Community Space	
2008	300,000	Junior League Thrift Store & Community Space	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Junior League of Baltimore, Inc.			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	43 - Northern 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:	Lisa Spitulnik	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-576-4161		Yes
Address:	If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value		
Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC 233 E. Redwood St. Baltimore, MD 21202	June 2006	\$1,998,000	
	February 2011	TBD	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
5	5	\$445,000	\$375,000
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	11855		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	0		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1959

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

The Junior League of Baltimore has been making a positive impact in our communities for almost 100 years. Since 1912, the League has been a driving force behind many of the initiatives and institutions that make our community strong, including; The Flower Mart, The Maryland School for the Blind and the Deaf, Santa Claus Anonymous, The Ronald McDonald House, The Waxter Center for Senior Citizens, The Baltimore Baseball League, and The Hampden Family Center.

The Internship program at the Wise Penny Thrift Store provides not just work experience, it provides ongoing one-on-one mentoring including; coaching in workplace culture, resume writing, mock interview skills and specific skills training. Job placement assistance and extended mentoring opportunities are available at the successful completion of the intern's internship. Launched in the summer of 2009 with two interns selected from the Waverly Family Support Center, the Wise Penny internship program has now graduated ten women. Each woman has demonstrated a need and interest in gaining work experience and individual coaching to aid them in seeking gainful employment. One intern was even hired in as a part-time associate in the Wise Penny Thrift Store, and has worked in this position for almost a year.

The Junior League is extremely involved with the community and business associations, having just recently partnered with organizations such as the Govanstowne Business Association, the Maryland Women's Heritage Center, Mercy High School, the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland & Loyola.

Almost half of the JLB members live either within our district, or in the city of Baltimore. Other members live in Baltimore, Howard and Harford Counties. Members of the Junior League reflect a wide range of backgrounds, interests and professional pursuits, yet they all share a commitment to voluntarism and improving the community. Through leadership training and development, the Junior League empowers women to build coalitions and take action in their communities. We look forward to celebrating a century of service to the Baltimore community, and continuing to provide an important community resource center to local residents.