

State of Maryland

2012 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name of Project	
lr2737	sb0707			End Hunger Kitchen	
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors	
Miller					
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)			5. Requested Amount		
Calvert County			\$200,000		
6. Purpose of Bill					
<p>Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the End Hunger In Calvert County, Inc. for the construction, renovation, and capital equipping of a culinary training kitchen.</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	
Ann Edwards		410-257-0350		aedwards@chesapeakechurch.org	
10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization (Limit Length to Visible area)					
<p>End Hunger In Calvert County (EHCC) is a growing network of people helping those who are able to become self-sufficient. Our mission is to not only increase the supply of healthy food going to Calvert County food pantries, but to discover and overcome the root causes of hunger.</p> <p>EHCC counts as its partners 11 County food pantries, 25 churches, over 50 businesses, every County public school and many private schools, all committed to the idea that, together, we can end hunger in Calvert County.</p> <p>We believe that our work together to remove the barriers that stand between needing support and achieving self-sufficiency will have a lasting effect on our County for generations to come.</p> <p>EHCC's success to date led to the establishment of 12,000 square feet of warehouse space that currently serves partner food pantries with free food, as well as food pantry volunteer training.</p>					

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

EHCC's vision is to build and operate a fully licensed, certified commercial kitchen that will serve three purposes:

- 1) A Classroom Kitchen that will be used for job skills training, as well as running a Food Preparation Certification Program in partnership with both the College of Southern MD and the Calvert County Public School System. At the same time, we'll forge relationships with restaurant owners and other employers in the County who we believe will want to hire our graduates.
- 2) Healthy Cooking Classes to train food pantry clients how to prepare inexpensive healthy meals for their families. The long-term impact of improving the diets of lower income families includes lowering health care costs, emergency room costs, and obesity rates. Classes will be free.
- 3) A Food Processing Center to process and store fresh produce and high protein meats for use during off-season months.

Bottomline: The Kitchen will be a one-stop training solution (a jobs program) for under and unemployed Calvert County residents. It's a proven model that has been successfully implemented by the Maryland Food Bank in Baltimore, MD, called FoodWorks.

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	\$1,340,000
Design	\$30,000
Construction	\$200,000
Equipment	\$450,000
Total	\$2,020,000

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

Source	Amount
EHCC Corporate & Private Donations	\$1,320,000
In-Kind Contributions	\$150,000
Federal/Private Grants & Foundations	\$350,000
State Bond Bill	\$200,000
Total	\$2,020,000

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
Sept 2011	January 2013	February 2013	January 2014
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
\$400,000		11 food pantries representing 10,000 clients	Same as #16, plus 60 Kitchen Students Annually
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
End Hunger In Calvert County, Inc. P.O. Box 758 Huntingtown, MD 20639		N/A	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	27B - Calvert County		
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:	Ann E. Edwards	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-257-0350		N/A
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Physical location, not mailing address:			
Shadow Stone Flex Complex, Bldg C 141 Schooner Lane Prince Frederick, MD 20678			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
Volunteers	2	0	\$100,000/Yr
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?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			N/A
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
N/A			
E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Shadow Stone Flex, LLC	9 Years	Yes - Will renew for minimum of 6 years.	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	6000		
Space to Be Renovated GSF	6000		
New GSF	12000		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			2013

28. Comments: (Limit Length to Visible area)

The EHCC Kitchen, at its core, is a jobs program that will help clients who are willing and able to become self-sufficient. Upon successful completion of the program, EHCC Kitchen students will be able to work in local organizations in the County that manage substantial cafeteria and cooking operations, as well as dozens of restaurants.

It's a proven model.

EHCC is modeling its program based on the FoodWorks Program run by the Maryland Food Bank. Their program has resulted in a 12-week culinary skills training program. Thus far, they've enrolled 100 students; 48 have graduated with a 100% employment rate for graduating students. In fact, there is a wait list to hire current students upon graduation.

The median salary for certified food preparers is in the mid-\$30,000 range.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects a consistent overall job growth average of over 7% per year for people certified and trained in food preparation. This growth is projected through 2018. The National Restaurant Association projects over 18,000 new jobs in Maryland by 2021, outpacing national projections.

In addition to local restaurants, potential large employers include The Calvert County Public School System, Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Calvert Memorial Hospital, and College of Southern Maryland. These companies are already EHCC partners.

What we are proposing is virtually non-existent in the entire Southern Maryland region, no less Calvert County. A local licensed and certified commercial cooking facility dedicated to jobs training, healthy food skills training, and food processing simply does not exist. And we know the model works.

EHCC has been described as "the model for rural hunger relief organizations" by Governor O'Malley's Partnership to End Childhood Hunger. Having distributed 450,000 pounds of free food to food pantries in 2011 alone, we've also been recognized as Calvert County's premier food distribution organization by the Maryland Food Pantry. We also launched the Farms of End Hunger project, whereby partnerships were formed with local farmers to grow, harvest and distribute 175,000 pounds of fresh produce to local food pantries, all free of charge.

Still, among our most important work to date, we have educated and equipped high potential, single parent food pantry clients to become completely self-sufficient, able to care for their families with dignity and pride.

We are ready for the next step: The End Hunger Kitchen.