

State Of Maryland 2018 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name Of Project
lr2344	sb0327	lr2200	hb0592	The Bernie House
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Astle				McMillan
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Anne Arundel County				\$130,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a transitional housing facility for The Bernie House				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of in kind contributions.	
8. Special Provisions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Ph#	Email Address
Patricia Slaughter			443-951-5193	p.slaughter@theberniehouse.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
<p>The Bernie House provides transitional housing for domestic violence victims and their children, offering a 2yr housing solution, while working with other agencies already in place to provide additional services to further those received in DV shelters. Preparing survivors for the next step - stability & success in permanent housing. Filling the large gap between crisis intervention & stability. TBH provides the time to heal, build confidence, time to build important support structures, for victims to secure a job, go to school, become economically stable, to achieve a safe & healthy return to their community. Minimal rent payments are required and based on a sliding scale. Upon successful completion of the program, the monies are returned for the intent that it be used for permanent housing. They are also permitted to take the entire contents of the home.</p>				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

Our objective is to procure matching funds of \$130,000.00 to purchase and restore a home to bring The Bernie House program to Anne Arundel County. The organization is poised for expansion & the targeted area is Anne Arundel County, which has the 3rd highest DV cases in the state (3,137 annually). The Bernie House will expand with the acquisition of a home to be renovated to house a family and include storage as well as offices.

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	\$234,000
Design	
Construction	\$26,000
Equipment	
Total	\$260,000

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

Cash	\$50,000
Gifts In Kind & Labor	\$30,000
Contributions	\$50,000
Bond Bill request	\$130,000
Total	\$260,000

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
		6/22/2018	7/27/2018
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
50000.00			
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
The Bernie House PO Box 4622 Annapolis, MD 21403			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	33 - Anne Arundel County		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Patricia Slaughter	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	443-951-5193		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
809 Chester Avenue Annapolis, MD 21403			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond 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 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	1,075		
Space to be Renovated GSF	1,075		
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

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28. Comments

* Our clients are referred to us from local domestic violence shelters. Shelters can only provide a maximum of 60 days, locally the time frame is 45 days. Shelters provide immediate assistance to victims of domestic, which is greatly needed. BUT once the victims receive counseling, TCA, child care vouchers and food stamps they are sent out into the community on their own. Where do they go? They have the very difficult choice to make - go live on the streets - or go home and take more abuse so their children have a warm place to sleep - because it may seem safer than facing a life of grinding poverty. They end up returning to the abuser and the cycle starts over.

*Financial and Economic Abuse, a phenomenon present in 98% of domestic violence cases, which is a tactic to maintain power and control over the victim. The victim has no money of their own, no credit, no financial power so no matter how bad things get they cant leave.

*80% of women and children who are homeless have been victims of domestic violence.

*The Bernie House owns and operates a home in Montgomery. Since 2003, 6 families (including 15 children) have completed the program.

*Lives are transformed at The Bernie House. Our clients - gain self-respect again - earn GEDs - become gainfully employed - earn college scholarships. The quiet insecure child learns to laugh again - become happy - healthy and learn that a relationship doesn't have to hurt. Our most recent family has moved on with \$8,000.00 to permanent housing completely furnished.

*We are a solvent organization, the first home is owned outright, having paid off the mortgage in less than 12 years.

*To date a 36,000.00 operating reserve is in place for the AACo. home.

*Relationships have been formed with AACo., agencies to collaborate. to ensure the success of each member of the families.

*We are governed by 19 member working and advisory board of directors.

*We have the support from over 130 volunteers.

*Our program continues to thrive because of our successful annual events with over 1,600 attendees, donations from our 1,200 donor base, monetary support and gifts in kind from more than 10 Foundations and over 39 local businesses.

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