

State Of Maryland

2019 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Carozza	Otto	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Worcester County	\$82,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum, including improvements to the river otter exhibit		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements: Equal	Type: The matching fund may consist of real property.	
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Stacey Weisner	443-880-8627	stacey@DelmarvaDiscoveryCenter.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
Pocomoke City owns the building and we own the contents and exhibits. We are CO-GRANTEES. We work together in partnership to increase tourism to Pocomoke City and southern Worcester County. Recipient of the Richard A. Henson Award for Nonprofit Excellence from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore in 2017, the museum features many immersing and engaging hands-on and interactive exhibits and is well-recognized as making an outstanding contribution to the well-being of residents of the Lower Eastern Shore. The Museum is open 361 days a year.		

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

The project is "shovel" ready. We need to add a wash down system and hepa filter to our indoor River Otter Exhibit to help cut down on odor. We also need to replace five heat pumps that are so old our HVAC company cannot get parts for them and they are very inefficient to operate, which makes our overhead higher. We would like to use the assessed value of the property as a soft match.

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	\$50,000
Equipment	\$32,000
Total	\$82,000

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

Bond Bill	\$82,000
Total	\$82,000

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
7/10/2019	7/17/2019	8/5/2019	12/18/2019
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	
0.00	20,252	25,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2016	\$125,000	Capital & Touch Pool Exhibit	
2015	\$175,000	Capital & River Otter Exhibit	
2007	\$150,000	Steamboat Exhibit	
2006 & 2004 (ea)	\$150,000	Exhibit development & exterior renovations	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
City of Pocomoke MD PO Box 29 101 Clarke Avenue Pocomoke City MD 21851		Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum 2 Market Street Pocomoke City MD 21851	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	38A - Somerset and Worcester Counties		
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:	Bobby Cowger	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-957-9933		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
PO Box 29 101 Clarke Avenue Pocomoke City MD 21851			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
3 FT, 3 PT	4 FT, 5 PT	550465.00	625000.00
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
Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum	open	0	18,083
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
City of Pocomoke MD	open	open	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	18,083		
Space to be Renovated GSF	1,500		
New GSF	0		

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

original slab 1920, new top slab 2006

28. Comments

We have become an economic engine getting thousands of visitors from the eastern shore of Maryland and Delaware, as well as Maryland. We offer quality low educational field trips and programs on the lower shore. Many local elementary schools do not have space or funding for science labs. We built one and they come here. The Board has chosen accessibility as a top priority and it is starting to pay dividends with many multi-generational families coming for a visit or joining as annual members. Without your help with this Bond Bill we may lose the momentum we have gained. We are incredibly appreciative of your consideration to make the much needed improvements to the River Otter Exhibit and replace outdated air conditioners.