## State Of Maryland

## 2019 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

| 1. Name Of Project |  |
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| Mount Rainier Library | 3. House Sponsor |
| 2. Senate Sponsor | Ivey |
| Augustine | 5. Requested Amount |
| 4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City) | $\$ 50,000$ |
| Prince George's County |  |
| 6. Purpose of Bond Initiative |  |
| the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site <br> improvement, and capital equipping of the Mount Rainier Library |  |
| 7. Matching Fund | Type: <br> The matching fund may consist of in kind <br> contributions. |
| Requirements: |  |
| Unequal \$2,000 |  |

8. Special Provisions

| [ ] Historical Easement | [ X ] Non-Sectarian |  |
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10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)

In 1910 the residents in the area around the streetcar station petitioned the Maryland State Legislature to incorporated Mount Rainier, and the city was incorporated by Charter granted on April 14, 1910. Mount Rainier has a population of about 9000 with the majority of its residents living in apartments (only about 900 houses). The City provides police services, public works, code enforcement, and a host of other services including the building in which the closest local library is located.

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

The purpose of the project is to bring the building in which the library is housed up to code by eliminating the asbestos, upgrading the lighting and other utilities to make it more energy efficient, and return the building to the form use for resident and surrounding neighborhoods. The building would undergo a complete renovation (removal of everything that is currently in it including the lighting, heating and cooling systems as well as the walls and tile flooring (where the asbestos has been found), and repair of the roof to stop the leaking. Also, a security system would be installed to protect the staff and the residents when using the library.
Finally, the project will include renovation of the restrooms and reopening them to the public. The library for many years was the only public facility that allowed the use of its toilets. Over the years that public use was denied because of the condition of the restrooms.

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 | $\$ 0$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Design | $\$ 30,000$ |
| Construction | $\$ 60,000$ |
| Equipment | $\$ 10,000$ |
|  | Total |

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

| State of Maryland | $\$ 50,000$ |
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| City of Mount Rainier | $\$ 20,000$ |
| MEA/PEPCO |  |
|  | $\$ 30,000$ |
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## 28. Comments

The current library facility is owned by the City and operated by the Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS). Built in 1952, the current library building is the oldest branch that has never been expanded or replaced. Further, at about 1300 gross square feet, it is the smallest branch in the system.

Mount Rainier and its neighboring jurisdictions urgently need a new library. Our City is economically diverse, with an average income well below county and state averages. The same is true for our neighbors. This means that there are many families that lack the educational reading materials and computer equipment in the home that children need. With two public elementary schools, one private elementary school, and several day-care facilities, the demand for library services in our area well exceeds the capability of the existing facility.

Even before the Library was closed for the asbestos and leaking, the decay of the building is also limited the number of computers that could be installed. The antiquated electrical system makes it difficult to meet today's needs for electronic equipment, HVAC systems, and heating systems. Other recent problems include roof leaks and failures of the heating and cooling systems. Also, the building has very poor indoor air quality, which makes it completely unusable for people with allergies, asthma, and other respiratory problems.

The building is being renovated not expanded. although that would make for a more modern library with the capabilities to serve our growing population. However, to expand the square footage would take even more money.

