

State Of Maryland

2020 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Itineris Foundation		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Hayes	Conaway	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore City	\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Itineris Foundation building		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements: Equal	Type: The grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund	
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Ami Taubenfeld	443-275-1100	ataubenfeld@itinerisbaltimore.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Itineris, an adult autism agency provides opportunities for autistic adults to participate meaningfully in all aspects of adult life. We are the only autism-specific agency in Baltimore City. Itineris provides pre-vocational skill assessments, discovery, job development, on-site supports and community support by highly trained staff. In school most autistic students are supported through special education providing necessary aids and accommodations. Upon exiting school, this support system is no longer available to them but the need for support as they face the challenges of adulthood are just as critical. Each year in Baltimore about 200 students with ASD will age out of the school system. This number will quadruple over the next decade.</p>		

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

The Capital Campaign to purchase 2050 Rockrose is raising \$3,700,000 to increase our capacity to help more individuals and their families. We are requesting \$100,000 and have already secured matching funds. This purchase will double the original space and reduce our occupancy cost by 40%, allowing us to maintain our low staffing ratios and providing the high-quality support services for our adults. Maryland has the second highest prevalence of autism in the nation. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 1 in 50 births in Maryland will be diagnosed on the autism spectrum. The increased space will provide a state-of-the-art workforce development hub and training space so that Itineris can train the numerous other professionals and organizations that have expressed interest in using the Itineris model.

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	\$2,850,000
Design	\$200,000
Construction	\$450,000
Equipment	\$200,000
Total	\$3,700,000

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

Maryland Department of Legislative Services Grant Requ	\$100,000
Itineris Board of Directors	\$360,000
Private Foundations	\$1,050,000
Family Foundations	\$785,000
Corporate Donations	\$250,000
Individual Donations	\$655,000
Mortgage	\$500,000
Total	\$3,700,000

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
11/1/2014	complete	11/27/2017	Complete
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	
3370221.00	98	150-175	
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)	
Itineris Foundation. 2050 Rockrose Avenue Baltimore, MD 21211		same	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	40 - Baltimore City		
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:	Ami Taubenfeld	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	443-275-1100		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
2050 Rockrose Avenue Baltimore, MD 21211			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
125	250	3700000.00	4100000.00
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?			Yes
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
Playcenters	3 years with 1-	\$16,800	2,000
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	26,596		
Space to be Renovated GSF	15,000		
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	2017-2020
	28. Comments
<p>After 10 years, Itineris is still the only agency in Baltimore City that is exclusively supporting autistic adults. DDA provides us partial support, leaving Itineris with a \$750,000 deficit per year that requires us to continuously fundraise. This deficit runs about \$7,000 per client per year, which is due to the intensive supports needed and low client to staff ratios required to safely support the complex needs of autistic adults. Purchasing this building and paying off our mortgage will allow us to reduce our operating costs by 40%. This is critical in allowing us to grow and meet the huge demand for our services.</p> <p>Our program is working. We use evidence-based strategies and best practices to support our adults. The national employment statistics reveal that 19.2-25% of autistic adults are employed or underemployed. At Itineris, 56% of our clients are gainfully employed in competitive, integrated workplaces. We have 55 unique employers and only do customized employment. As a community based program, 100% of our clients are in the community volunteering, doing internships, working in trial sites, practicing adult independent living skills and practicing travel and transportation training. Our hub at Rockrose provides a Workforce Center where we can teach our custom created classes in Work Readiness, Career Exploration, Job Discovery, Social Skills, independent living skills such as bed making, laundry, cooking. We have several tech centers to support clients in office practice, school work, online classes or how to safely use technology. Our Behavioral Services Department works on crisis prevention for maladaptive or self-injurious behavior, crisis training, behavior plans and monitoring, proactive strategies vs. reactive strategies, family training, community training on crisis, trauma informed care as well as providing sensory rooms and relaxation rooms for de-escalation.</p>	