

State Of Maryland

2022 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Foremen's Branch Bird Observatory		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Hershey	Jacobs	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Queen Anne's County	\$400,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Foreman's Branch Bird Observatory		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Senator Hershey		steve.hershey@senate.state.md.us
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>As the first college founded in Maryland, Washington College offers academic rigor and self-discovery in a supportive residential community of well-qualified, diverse, and motivated individuals. It is our goal to develop habits of analytic thought, clear communication, aesthetic insight, ethical sensitivity, and civic responsibility in our students. Unhurried conversation and close connections with our exceptional faculty and staff add enrichment to our broad curriculum of study. A beautiful campus, ready access to exciting cities and the Chesapeake Bay, and engagement with cultures and communities both local and global offer our students ample opportunity for personal exploration and shared challenges. We prepare our students for rich and fulfilling lives; for myriad and unpredictable opportunities; for a lifetime of learning, leadership, and productive endeavor.</p>		

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

Since 1998, the current bird-banding station has operated out of a retired, unconditioned, and leaky 225-SF pheasant-rearing pen, with no running water or bathroom facilities. In the last three years, despite completely inadequate accommodations, the station has received 1,269 visitors, provided over 200 demonstrations, and hosted roughly 600 Washington College students for laboratory-and classroom-based study. Since 1998, the banding station has banded over 300,000 birds, a remarkable number given the current state of the facility. The proposed new facility will provide, running water and bathroom facilities, internet and audio/visual technologies for the banding station and learning pavilion, 35 linear feet of working bench space, a 15-seat observation gallery, a small office, climate-controlled storage for research-grade instrumentation, parking facilities for visitors and school buses, and other improvements to include picnic facilities for student groups.

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	\$50,000
Construction	\$1,124,000
Equipment	\$35,000
Total	\$1,209,000

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

2022 State of Maryland Bond Initiative	\$400,000
Robert F. Schulman Foundation	\$250,000
Mr. and Mrs. L. Myrton Gaines II	\$125,000
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Dyke	\$100,000
Ms. Caroline Gabel	\$50,000
Mr. James Linehan	\$50,000
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Tansi	\$25,000
Mid-Shore Community Foundation	\$15,000
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scully	\$10,000
Various donors under \$5,000	\$8,000
Additional Private Gifts (to be raised)	\$176,000
Total	\$1,209,000

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
9/21/2021	12/17/2021	9/1/2022	4/14/2023
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
633000.00		623	950
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Washington College 300 Washington Avenue Chestertown, MD 21620		River and Field Campus Foreman's Branch Bird Observatory Kennel Lane Chestertown, MD 21629	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		36 - Kent, Queen Anne's, Cecil and Caroline 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:	Joseph L. Holt	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-778-6987		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
8	10	101170.42	194470.42
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	240		
Space to be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	3264		

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

New GSF is comprised of 1,728 of interior space, 288 SF porch, 96 SF covered walk, 576 trellis covered foot path, 576 SF pavilion.