

State Of Maryland

2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Asbury UMC Historical Site Revitalization		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Elfreth	Henson	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Anne Arundel County	\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Asbury UMC Historical Site		
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 Sarah Elfreth		sarah.elfreth@senate.state.md.us
Rev. Carletta Allen		240-938-1594
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Asbury UMC (Mother Asbury) is the oldest African-American church in Annapolis and Anne Arundel County. Her historical importance is unquestioned in the city. Though this institution is a place of worship it is, and always has been, much more. No portion of the proceeds will be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction. Specific to this grant request: (1) while the roofing supports the entire structure, the Bishop Edgar Love Conference Center is most adversely affected by the damage. The Conf. Ctr is not used for sectarian religious education. It was designed to be, and is used as, a a community space; (2) The Museum and Resource Center was established as a memorial and historical education center for tourists and locals interested in our history; and (3) the memorial courtyard would be an additional site for history and remembrance.</p>		

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

Requesting the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Asbury United Methodist Church of Annapolis for the planning, design, and construction of: (1) a memorial courtyard abutting the original building; and (2) the repair, renovation, site improvement, and capital equipping of the pointing in the original 1838 structure; (3) critical roofing infrastructure; and (4) restoration of the Asbury Museum and Resource Center on the third floor.

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	\$20,000
Construction	\$60,000
Equipment	\$20,000
Total	\$100,000

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

Capital Grant	\$100,000
See Q28 - Comments	
Note: Bids are still pending completion so amounts indica	
Total	\$100,000

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
TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
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	
165000.00	<4,000	5,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
FY23	\$24,782		
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Asbury United Methodist Church of Annapolis 87 West Street Annapolis MD 21401			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	30A - 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:	Board of Trustees of AUMC	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-268-9500		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Asbury United Methodist Church ATTN: Franklin Johnson, Chairman, Board of Trustees 87 West Street Annapolis MD 21401			

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	3	366000.00	366000.00
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
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	Above Grade Living Area 18,361 SF		
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	No change		

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

1837

28. Comments

Since March 2020, Asbury has made over \$165,000 in capital improvements to its physical site (renovation of 2 bathrooms on the first floor; technological investments; new HVAC system in the Fellowship Hall; new flooring and painting in the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall; roofing improvements 2nd-floor conference room area, HVAC repairs for sanctuary). Further, in 2014 Asbury expended matching funds totaling \$2,500 in a matching grant to create the Asbury Annapolis Museum and Resource Center in the historic space of its facility. Additionally, Asbury is the recipient of a MD DHCD FY23 Community Safety Works grant of \$24,782 to replace 4 doors at our two primary entrances.

Going forward, Asbury will continue to make improvements to its property using funds contributed regularly by members and others to its Capital Improvement Campaign that was instituted in 2018. However, due to the aforementioned improvements, the current balance in the Capital Improvement fund is approximately \$5,000. Additionally, Asbury will continue to pursue other grant funding opportunities.

Besides being a gathering place for worship and community meetings, Asbury has a longstanding food ministry and pantry program operating out of its edifice. Turn Around Thursday (a newly launched prison reentry program), Alcohol Anonymous and the Kunta Kinte-Alex Haley Foundation rent space on a regular basis.

The Annapolis Opera rents space and has periodic performances in the church. Additionally, Asbury serves as one of the venues for the annual Annapolis Film Festival. The Morgan State University Choir has performed here several times in the past and will do so again in October 2023. These various community programs regularly extend Asburys reach within the community.

In terms of financial capability and stewardship, Asbury is able to meet its budget and financially sustain its operations. Asbury has sound financial and record-keeping systems in place that will allow us to be good stewards of the Legislative Bond Initiative funds. A system is in place for our Board of Trustees chairperson to monitor all physical projects associated with the grant funding.