

# State Of Maryland

## 2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
EPIC HOPE Expansion		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
James	A. Johnson	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Harford County	\$250,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Edgewood Community Support Center		
<b>7. Matching Fund</b>		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
<b>8. Special Provisions</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
<b>9. Contact Name and Title</b>	<b>Contact Ph#</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Delegate Andre V. Johnson		Andre.Johnson@house.state.md.us
Zach Maclellan		909 643 6732
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The EPICENTER exists to empower people, strengthen families and build a sense of community and trust in the communities we are planted in. We currently are operating out of three locations (Edgewood, Aberdeen and Fallston) with our expansion project being focused in Edgewood. We are in our 10th year of service to the Edgewood community. We serve our communities through four focus areas: health and wellness, youth, recovery and life skills. Some of our programs include showers for our homeless, licensed affordable before and after school care, grocery store style food pantry, affordable clothing through a thrift shop etc. With Edgewood and Aberdeen having the highest poverty rates in Harford County, we are proud to serve these communities in order to fight poverty for everyone we serve.</p>		

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

As stated previously, the EPICENTER is in its 10th year of service. According to the most recent studies around community centers, it takes about 10 years for those who are underserved to trust a community center. We feel this is exactly the case because we have seen an explosion of those who are in need come into our space. In 2019, the EPICENTER concluded its year with 1,900 unduplicated guests served. In 2022, the EPICENTER surpassed 10,000 unduplicated guest served. Thus, at the end of 2022, the EPICENTER embarked on acquiring the vacant space right next to us. We were in desperate need of more space to maintain the amount of people served. The 7,000 square foot warehouse that Delegate Johnson toured in December 2022, has dreams of being a thrift shop focused on providing affordable clothing to our communities and also an innovative food pantry built alongside of it.

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	
<b>Design</b>	
<b>Construction</b>	\$250,000
<b>Equipment</b>	
<b>Total</b>	\$250,000

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

LBI FY23	\$250,000
<b>Total</b>	\$250,000

<b>14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
11/1/2022	1/6/2023	1/13/2023	10/27/2023
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>	<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>	
100000.00	7,500	12,000	
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
Spring 2019	\$50,000	Office space Renovations	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Edgewood Community Support Center. 1918 Pulaski Hwy Edgewood MD 21040			
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	7B - Harford County		
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
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<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>		<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b>Phone:</b>			
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
44	48	2400000.00	2500000.00
<b>25. Ownership of Property</b> (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Lease
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
Mountain Christian Church	10	2 Five Year Options	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>	20,000		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	5,000		
<b>New GSF</b>	25,000		

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

January 2023-October 2023

**28. Comments**

The project is about half way complete. We currently are using a capital reserve fund that the EPICENTER has built up for this project. We are thankful for the states consideration of our expansion project.