

State Of Maryland

2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Friends Aware Capital Improvement Projects		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
McKay	Buckel	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Allegany County	\$247,990	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Friends Aware property		
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
Delegate Jason Buckel		jason.buckel@house.state.md.us
David Goad, Director, Community Relations & Resoure Development		301-722-7268, Ext. 133
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Friends Aware, Inc. (FAI) is a non-profit organization in Allegany County, Maryland. FAI is dedicated to providing an array of individualized supports to persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Our Life Enrichment Center provides Meaningful Day services for our consumers through educational activities, life skills auditory and artistic enrichment, computer skills, and financial guidance, together with nursing services. FAI's mission is to build on a tradition of excellence, under the name Friends Aware, Inc., a non-profit entity, which offers social, occupational, and residential opportunities in a caring atmosphere to individuals with disabilities. Our goal is to enhance quality of life by promoting choice and full participation within the community.</p>		

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
N/A	N/A	6/1/2023	11/1/2023
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
0.00	73		119
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2013	\$250,000	First Bond of Three Capital Grants to add a 10,000 sq	
2015	\$100,000	The second Bond Allotment for the addition to the LE	
	\$100,000	The third Allotment of Bond Funding to renovate a kit	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Friends Aware Incorporated		1601 Holland Street	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	1B - Allegany 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:	David Goad	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-722-7268 X 133		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
1601 Holland Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
179	185	7399885.00	8288000.00
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
Allegany County Human Resource	\$500 monthly	Groceries	1,000
Arusha Control, Inc.	\$450 monthly	Custom	1,150
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	30,494		
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

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

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28. Comments

One goal in the Friends Aware Strategic Plan is to increase participation in Meaningful Day Services to 119 participants by June 30, 2027.

Friends Aware received 3 separate Capital Grants for our 10,000 square foot addition, completed in 2015. The proceeds were received between 2013 and 2015. The first bond was \$250,000, the second was \$100,000, and the third was \$100,000. Friends Aware currently has an unspent capital grant in the amount of \$100,000 which will expire on June 1, 2023. This grant was for kitchen renovations which have never been completed. If possible, this capital grant (\$1000.000) could be amended to extend the termination date, and have the purpose of the grant changed to the current request.