

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
BAAM Campus Parking Space - Community Garden - Green Space		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Mautz	Talbot County Delegation	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Talbot County	\$196,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the BAAM Campus Parking Space, Community Garden and Green Space		
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
Dina Gomes Daly		410-310-8985
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Building African American Minds (BAAM), Inc. provides after school & summer programs for students 1st-high school as well as Wellness Matters! (physical & mental health) and Workforce Development programs for youth & adults in the community. It's Athletic Center provides a state of the art gymnasium that is open to all. The Athletic Center provides a safe space where youth & adults can play sports & health related activities in a safe and nurturing environment. The BAAM Campus has become the hub of the community. BAAM hosts many events such as birthday parties, baby & wedding showers, repasts as well as educational & civic events. In Dec. 2024, construction of the Academic Center was completed, creating the "BAAM Campus" and BAAM moved all of its programming and staff into the new Academic Center.</p>		

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

BAAM acquired the 406 Moton Street properties, which is adjacent to the Academic & Athletic Center in late November 2024. These properties consist of 3 condemned, blithe buildings that BAAM plans to demolish and then develop into parking space for its staff and participants as well as build a community garden/space for its youth and community. The 406 Moton Street properties is also located adjacent to the Moton Park and by connecting our green space to the park, it will allow our students and community to enjoy the many amenities that will be offered by BAAM and the Moton Park. In addition, BAAM plans to add a storage unit as our current facilities do not have sufficient storage space.

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	\$500,000
Design	\$195,340
Construction	\$1,160,500
Equipment	
Total	\$1,855,840

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

Mr. & Mrs. William Ryan	\$500,000
Future Fundraising	\$979,840
State of MD Bond Bill	\$376,000
Total	\$1,855,840

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
May 2025	June 2026	July 2026	July 2027
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	
500000.00	1,831	3,662	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2022	\$1,050,000	Academic Center Construction	
2024	\$1,500,000	Academic Center Construction	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Building African American Minds, Inc., 31 Jowite Street, P.O. Box 1066, Easton, MD 21601		406 Moton Street, Easton, MD 21601	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	37B - Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot, and Wicomico 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:	Dina Gomes Daly, Executive Director	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-310-8984		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
P.O. Box 1066 31 Jowite Street Easton, MD 21601			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
26	30	2100000.00	1500000.00
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			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

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

2025-2027

28. Comments

Building African American Minds (BAAM), Inc., is an integral part of the Talbot County community and is vital to its growth and revitalization. BAAM is located in the town of Easton, Maryland and within a neighborhood where historically, most residents are renters and whose children qualify for free and reduced meals (FARMS). Most of the students who attend BAAM and its programming live in a single family households or are being raised by grandparents or other relatives. Additionally, many of the students and family who attend BAAM programming and use the facilities are from the surrounding neighborhoods. When Covid-19 pandemic restrictions began to lower, the usage of the BAAM Athletic Center facility increased significantly, demonstrating the value of accessibility to a safe and nurturing environment. Although BAAM accepts all into its programs, BAAM serves mostly Black or African American youth who are at risk of academic failure, school suspension and/or arrest. BAAM provides various programs and services to County residents who live in the 10-20% poverty level. The Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data shows that 15% of

children under 18 live in families with income below the federal poverty level. 2020 Census data shows a population of 37,526 with 18.2% under 18 years of age. 83.3% of the population is white, 12.8% black or African American. However, Advocates for Children and Youth (2020) reports that 36.6% of those suspended from school are black or African American Students and Black youth are four times more likely than White youth to be arrested.

BAAM was formed in 2005 and its mission is to teach underserved children and adults how to achieve the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to maximize or augment their potential as responsible and productive citizens through academic, social and emotional learning programs. Our youth programming is STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts

& Math) focused which enables us to collaborate with many community organizations and partners in delivering services.

Since our Athletic Center was built in 2019, BAAM has become the hub for the community events such as weddings, birthday parties, baby showers, repasts and a meeting place for community organizations and civic groups. Our Athletic Center offers a state-of-the art gymnasium where our youth and community members enjoy sports activities such as basketball and indoor soccer.

The Academic Center construction was completed in December 2024 and our staff and programming are now being provided at the Academic Center. BAAM had the opportunity to acquire the adjacent property located on 406 Moton Street. This will complete our "BAAM Campus" by allowing BAAM to demolish the current 3 condemned apartment buildings and develop parking space for the BAAM Campus as well as a community garden & open space. Additionally we will add a storage facility as we currently do not have sufficient storage. We hope to demolish the buildings in 2024-2025 and complete the construction of this project by 2026-2027.