State Of Maryland 2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project							
Berwyn Heights Elementary School							
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor						
A. Washington							
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount						
Prince George's County	\$165,000						
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative							
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Berwyn Heights Elementary School including repair and replacement of the existing school playground, and resurfacing and repair to the							
7. Matching Fund							
Requirements:	Туре:						
Grant							
8. Special Provisions							
[] Historical Easement	[X] Non-Sectarian						
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address					
Kyle Snyder		301-474-5000					
10. Description and Purpose of Organizat	tion (Limit lengt	h to visible area)					

The Town of Berwyn Heights, Maryland, is a small, vibrant community committed to fostering a safe, inclusive, and sustainable environment for its residents. The town government works to enhance the quality of life through efficient public services, community engagement, and the preservation of local history. The primary purpose of the organization is to manage municipal functions, including public safety, recreation, planning, and public works, while ensuring that residents have access to essential services and resources. Berwyn Heights is dedicated to promoting a strong sense of community through collaborative partnerships and open communication.

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

The Town of Berwyn Heights is partnering with Berwyn Heights Elementary School (BHES) and Prince Georges County Public Schools (PGCPS) to repair and replace the playground and resurface and repair the tennis and basketball courts at 6200 Pontiac Street, Berwyn Heights, MD. Built in 2001, these facilities are in disrepair, posing safety risks to students. The tennis court has bent poles, cracks, and weeds; the basketball court has collapsed pavement; and the playground has broken equipment and disintegrated mulch. Playgrounds are essential for childrens physical, social, and cognitive development. Beyond school hours, these facilities serve as vital recreational spaces for the community. This project will enhance safety and provide high-quality recreational spaces for both students and residents, fostering a healthier and more active Berwyn Heights.

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	\$0						
Construction	\$102,000						
Equipment	\$108,500						
Total	\$210,500						
13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)							
Town CIP Funding	\$45,500						
State Bond Bill	\$165,000						
Total	\$210,500						

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)									
Begin Desi	ign	Complete Design B		Begi	Begin Construction		Complete Construction		
4/15/2025		4/30	0/2025 5/26			2025	8/1/2025		
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised			I	16. Current Number People Served Annu Project Site			Serve	umber of People to be ed Annually After the ect is Complete	
0.00	0 3,780				4200				
18. Other	18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years								
Legislativ	ve Sess	sion	A	Amount			Purpose		
2024				\$425,000	Police Station Building & Community Space Acquisit				
2021				\$155,000 Town		Center & Seni	or Cer	nter Elevator Rehab	
19. Legal I	Name	and A	\ddr	ess of Grai	ntee	Project Add	ress (If	f Different)	
The Town of Berwyn Heights 5700 Berwyn Road Berwyn Heights MD 20740					Berwyn Heights Elementary School & Community Center 6200 Pontiac Street Berwyn Heights MD 20740				
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located22 - Prince Geor									
21. Legal S		of Gi			Theck C	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Local Govt. Fo		For	or Profit		Non Profit		Federal		
[X]	[X]		[[]		[] []		[]	
22. Grantee Legal Representative					23. If Match Includes Real Property:				
Name:	Suelle	ellen Ferguson, Esquire			Has An Appraisal Been Done?		Yes/No		
Phone:	410.2	0.268.6600					No		
Address:			If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value						
125 West Street, Fourth Floor									
Annapolis, Maryland 21401									

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site								
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Curre	ent Operating Budget		Projected Operating Budget			
25. Ownership of	f Property (Info Requ	ested by	Treasurer's Offic	e for bond	purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?								
B. If owned, does	No							
C. Does the grante	thers?	No						
D. If property is o	wned by grantee any sp	pace is to	be leased, provid	e the followi	ng:			
	Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	0				
Town	of Berwyn Heights	15 Years	\$0	N/A				
E. If property is le	eased by grantee - Prov	ide the fo	llowing:					
N	ame of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew					
Prince Georg	e's County Public Scho	15 Years	Yes					
26. Building Squ	are Footage:							
Current Space G								
Space to be Rend								
New GSF								

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

28. Comments

The Town of Berwyn Heights is partnering with the Berwyn Heights Elementary School and Prince Georges County Public Schools (PGCPS), to repair and replace the existing school playground, and resurface & repair the existing tennis and basketball courts. These facilities were originally built when the school reopened in 2001 but have since fallen into disrepair, posing safety hazards and causing injuries to students. The facilities are located around the school, located at 6200 Pontiac Street, Berwyn Heights MD 20740. BHES is a Title I School, and a Community School.

The tennis court has bent net poles, cracks in the pavement, and weeds growing through the surface, making it unsafe for use. The basketball court has significant cracks, with one corner of the pavement collapsing, further limiting safe play. The playground has broken equipment, and the mulch surface has disintegrated, leading to several student injuries. Without urgent repairs, these issues will continue to pose risks to both students and community members.

Playgrounds play a crucial role in the physical, social, and cognitive development of elementary school children. They provide a safe space for students to engage in physical activity, which is essential for their overall health and well-being. Playgrounds also foster social interaction, teamwork, and problem-solving skills, helping children develop important life skills outside of the classroom. Moreover, recess and playtime have been linked to improved concentration and academic performance, reinforcing the need for well-maintained recreational spaces in schools.

Beyond school hours, these facilities serve as valuable recreational spaces for residents and visitors. Families, children, and community members rely on them for exercise, social gatherings, and outdoor activities. A well-maintained playground, tennis court, and basketball court will contribute to the overall quality of life in Berwyn Heights by promoting a healthier and more active community. Investing in these improvements will not only enhance safety for students but also ensure that all residents have access to safe, high-quality recreational spaces.

The Town has quotes and firms lined up to begin the work if funding is awarded.