

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Comprehensive Community Health, Wellness, Art, Resource, Technology, Enrichment and Learning STEAM, CTE, SEL, and IEP Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Charles	Roberts	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Prince George's County	\$550,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Food 4 Thought Groups s Comprehensive Community Health, Wellness, Art, Resource, Technology, Enrichment & Learning STEAM,		
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
Donovan L. Benton		(240)584-5641
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Providing access to resources designed to address the health disparity in the surrounding communities (Served Over 335,000 families in & throughout Prince George's County, MD & surrounding area since 2020 to the present "2023", participated in over 755 Community Outreach, Relief & Uplift Mobilized Food, Essential Resource & Supplies Distribution Efforts) in and throughout Prince Georges County, Maryland. More importantly, none of our ability to effectively serve these families without the collaboration of courageous partners (i.e., organizations, churches, agencies, businesses, educational systems, volunteers, etc.). Only through their collective commitment to willingly answer the call to serve during a devastating health crisis both then and now were we able to achieve these outcomes effectively.</p>		

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

Our services include food box programs, emergency food programs, agricultural nutritional program, Seniors Healthy Eating & Brown Bag Program, Community Healthy Garden and a youth, teens, young adults, students farm program and College or University or Vocational Campus Program for Students that provides opportunities for self-sufficiency activities for at risk youth. Our targeted audience base is vulnerable, low-income people, mainly families, who need emergency help to put food on the table. Nearly half of those served by the program are children. Food 4 Thought Group operates a warehouse facility where we store donated or rescued food for distribution. The program actively solicits food from local food growers, retailers, wholesalers, and processors. In addition, Food 4 Thought Group collects food and resource donations from non-governmental business restaurants, grocery food chains, etc. for immediate distribution to our service programs.

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	
Design	
Construction	
Equipment	
Total	\$0

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

To Be Determined	
Currently Soliciting Various Funding Sources	
Total	\$0

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
To be	To be Determined	To be Determined	To be Determined
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	
	over 35,000	over 60,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2023	\$300,000	To procure, acquire, renovate, construct, build and ren	
2023	\$300,000	To eradicate hunger, improve health & wellness, and	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Food 4 Thought Group, Incorporated 9701 Apollo Drive, Suite 330 Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20774		Projects Former or Current Name: Luminis Health Diabetes & Endocrinology District Heights Center 6400 Marlboro Pike District Heights, Maryland 20747	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	25 - Prince George's 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:	Donovan L. Benton, Chief Executive Officer	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	240.584.5641 (Mobile)		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
DBenton6329@gmail.com (e-mail 1) 6324DBenton@gmail.com (e-mail 2)		Not at this time	
Proposed Property to be Procured or Acquire:			
Property Two (2) Former Names:			
1.Luminis Health Diabetes & Endocrinology District Heights Center Medical Clinic			

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	10	100000.00	400000.00
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?			Yes
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
		TBD	TBD
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Covenant House of Greater Washington	3-year	One-year Option	
Think First Global, Incorporated	3-year	One-year Option	
Knot Forgotten, Incorporated	3-year	One-year Option	
AC Reliable Construction, Incorporated	3-year	One-year Option	
Omega Gold Community Development	3-year	One-year Option	
Reginal Sports Network (RSN), e-Sportz, Inc	3-year	One-year Option	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	To Be Provided		
Space to be Renovated GSF	To Be Provided		
New GSF	To Be Provided		

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

28. Comments

- 1)
Create Enrichment, Engagement & Development HUB___Youth, pre-teens, teens, young adult, adults, seniors (elderly), veterans, people w/disabilities, and the entire community hub
Enrich & Develop Youth
- 2)
Provide a comprehensive & authentic Pathway___for all Prince Georges County youth, pre-teens, teens, young adult, adults, seniors (elderly), veterans, and people w/disabilities, particularly minorities, to explore STEAM & CTE careers with specialized certified, licensed counselors, instructors, trainers and teaching professional who are experts in their respective fields.
- 3)
Provide Comprehensive___ Gaming, Robotics, Drone-Tech, Agriculture-Technology, Artificial Intelligence. Entertainment, Engagement: Deliver hands-on robotics programs for elementary, middle, and high school students through a structured educational framework.
- 4)
Create, facilitate & promote Open Community Dialogue___Engage philanthropic, business, government, and educational stakeholders in a national dialogue to support STEAM, CTE, SEL, WFD & IEP Programs, Projects & initiatives through mentorships, workshops, symposia, and internships.
- 5)
Execute Credible Equity in Access___Enhance the Vision Centers ability to equitably participate in county and state educational and workforce development programs.
- 6)
Create, Develop and Deliver an Open-Air Market in this Community___Healthy, Fresh, Nutritional Goods, Products, Services (i.e., HealthCare, Medical Assistance, Financial Institutional Options, and more) and ResourcesCounter the Adverse Effects of the Food Supply Chain of Heathy & Quality Options for Underserved Communities.
- 7)
Execute Credible Equity in Access___Create an Agricultural State-of-the-Art extended farming, harvesting, marketing and occupational center for the community. High-Tech Farmers & Open Air Market Concept for the Incorporated City of District Heights, Prince Georges County Public Schools (i.e., District Heights Elementary, North Forestville Elementary, Longfields Elementary and Walker Mill Middle School, etc.), Neighborhoods, churches, etc. will have the ability to equitably participate in county and state educational and workforce development programs.