## **State Of Maryland 2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet**

1. Name Of Project					
Dream Catcher Meadows					
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor				
Feldman	Qi				
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount				
Montgomery County	\$75,000				
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative					
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Dream Catcher Meadows property including a new pole barn to house animals with a solar array on the roof of the structure for electricity.					
7. Matching Fund					
Requirements:	Туре:				
Grant					
8. Special Provisions					
[ ] Historical Easement	[X] Non-Sectarian				
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address			
Susan D. Rich, MD, MPH		301-979-9119			
10 Description and Purpose of Organizat	tion (Limit lengt	h to visible area)			

7th Generation Foundation, Inc. aims to promote awareness about Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder and to develop programs for people with neurodiverse conditions. 7th Gen operates Dream Catcher Meadows - an green care farm animal sanctuary providing safe, inclusive programs for children, adolescents and young adults with neurodiverse conditions. Our farm is home to 14 goats, an injured Irish draft horse, 2 ponies, several chickens, 3 pigs and 2 emus. Among our programs is Earthkeepers Kinder Farming, a Saturday morning 2-hour session for 8-12 year olds to learn about sustainability, restorative agriculture and animal care, and to grow pumpkins to feed our chickens and pigs in the winter months. We offer volunteer programs for Montgomery County youth, community service programs for adults with disabilities, and school field trips.

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

We aim to build a 20' x 80' pole barn for our animals, with a a large solar array on top to power the entire farm. The barn will be equipped with lights, heaters, and fans for temperature control and water access for refilling the trough and buckets. The solar array will be situated in the south pasture for optimal daytime sunlight exposure, will allow us to rest the north pasture for regrowth of the grass, and will reduce our operating costs. Our horses are now 11 years old and many of our goats are almost 10 years old and are housed in 3-sided run-in sheds. As they age, they will need improved housing with heaters, shutters and doors for winter months and fans for air circulation in the summer. In short, this improvement (the barn and array) will provide a more adaptable habitat for our animals as they age, reduce our dependence on the power grid, and move us closer to our sustainability goals.

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	\$1,000			
Construction	\$24,000			
Equipment	\$50,000			
Total	\$75,000			
13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)				
Bond Bill	\$75,000			
Total	\$75,000			

14. Project	14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)								
Begin Desi	ign	Con	nplete	Design	Design Begin Construc			Complete Construction	
TBD		TBD	)			TBD			
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		Se	16. Current Numb Served Annually a Site		at Project Serve		umber of People to be ed Annually After the ct is Complete		
0			50	)			50 (w	e mainly serve animals0	
18. Other	18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years							ırs	
Legislativ	ve Sess	ion	A	nount		Purpose			
2018				\$50,000 To repla		place the 5.43 acre pasture fencing and replace th			
19. Legal I	Vamo	and A	ddro	ss of Cro	ntee	Project Add	ross (14	f Different)	
							1035 (11		
7th Generation Foundation, Inc. 12640 Rolling Road Dream Catcher Meadows Potomac, MD 20854			Same						
<b>20. Legislative District in</b> Which Project is Located15 - Montgomery Court				ry County					
21. Legal S	Status	of Gr	antee	(Please C	beck C	Dne)			
Local G	ovt.		For I	Profit		Non Profit		Federal	
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22. Grante	22. Grantee Legal Representative			23. If Match Includes Real Property:					
Name:	Susan DFAH		ich, N	ID, MPH,		Has An App Been Done?	raisal	Yes/No	
Phone:	30170	)4200	3					No	
Address:			If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value						
12640 Rolling Road Dream Catcher Meadows Potomac, MD 20854									

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site								
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Curre	ent Operating Budget	Projec	ted Operating Budget			
0	2		25000		150000			
25. Ownership of	f Property (Info Requ	ested by	Treasurer's Offic	ce for bond	purposes)			
A. Will the grante	e own or lease (pick on	e) the pro	operty to be impr	oved?	Lease			
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years? No								
C. Does the grante	C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?							
D. If property is o	wned by grantee any sp	pace is to	be leased, provid	e the follow	ing:			
	Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	0				
E. If property is le	ased by grantee - Prov	ide the fo	llowing:					
Name of Leaser			Length of Lease	Optio	Options to Renew			
26. Building Square Footage:								
Current Space G	SF			N/A				
Space to be Reno	ovated GSF		N/A					
New GSF	1600							

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	N/A
28. Comments	