

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Good Will Fire Company No. 1 Tanker Replacement		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
McKay	Hinebaugh	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Allegany County	\$500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a new tanker to replace the current 1990 Ford L9000 Engine Tanker		
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
Robert G. Ritchie		301-707-5009
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Good Will Volunteer Fire Company #1 is an independent, all-volunteer fire company serving the rural area of Lonaconing in Allegany County. This region is a mountainous section of Western Maryland and is one of four communities located along Georges Creek. Organized in April 1882, our department has grown along with the needs of our community. Our 56 volunteer firefighters operate an engine, tanker, quick attack, utility, command vehicle, and UTV out of one station. Our first due area is 70 square miles in size but sparsely populated with just over 2,750 residents. During 2024, our department responded to 204 first-due calls that included 23 structure fires. We also have agreements for automatic aid with eight neighboring departments which spans 270 square miles of area and an additional 16,019 residents.</p>		

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

This project aims to secure additional funding to purchase a 2026 Engine-Tanker. Within our first due area, we have over 500 homes and businesses that do not have a hydrant within one mile. Our department's tanker is over 30 years old and experiencing multiple system failures which threaten the safety of our firefighters and the ability to respond to our firefighting needs. The fact that this truck was built in 1990, prior to the safety standards established in the 1991 edition of NFPA 1901, is a contributing factor to these safety concerns. As a result, we must replace our unsafe tanker with a reliable tanker that can effectively serve the community in areas that do not have a water supply from hydrants. We cannot afford to take this tanker out of service.

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	\$1,100,000
Equipment	
Total	\$1,100,000

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

US Ben Cardin Grant	\$375,000
Anonymous Donor	\$25,000
Total	\$400,000

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
2022	2023	2026	2026
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	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Good Will Volunteer Fire Company No.1 Inc. 6 Douglas Avenue Lonaconing, Maryland 21539			
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:		Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:			No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
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	
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28. Comments

We also have extended mutual aid agreements with departments in Allegany and Garrett Counties in Maryland and Pennsylvania and West Virginia, covering a 730 square mile area.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for assistance and we appreciate everything you have done for our department.