

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Mt Pleasant AMEC Grave Restoration		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Hettleman	Pasteur	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore County	\$68,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Mt Pleasant AMEC Gravesite		
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
Wendle Billips		410-913-4181
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The purpose of the Mount Pleasant African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people including those in the Owings Mills area and surrounding communities. We are a 501(C) Nonprofit Organization. We serve the Owings Mills community by offering various programs and assistance to the elderly, adults, and youth. Our purpose is to minister to the community in a holistic way; spiritually, physically and mentally. We are also, the overseers of the Mount Pleasant AMEC Gravesite (cemetery) where the community once came for solace.</p>		

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

The project would repair and restore graves and markers at the Mount Pleasant AMEC Cemetery in Owings Mills. The cemetery would be plotted by Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) to locate the many unmarked burials in the cemetery to avoid unintended damage to existing burial sites and to properly honor the individuals, veterans and slaves buried there. Erecting a fence around the gravesite property, as well as a marker to inform the cemetery visitor about its historical community value. It has the final resting place for African American families from many communities in Baltimore County. The families buried at Mount Pleasant AMEC cemetery also include descendants of enslaved individuals from the Owings and Painters families, as well as those who came to the area in the late 1800s to make a better life for themselves and their families.

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	\$68,000
Equipment	
Total	\$68,000

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

Legislative Bond Initiative	\$68,000
Total	\$68,000

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
		5/1/2025	10/18/2025
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)	
Mount Pleasant AMEC 235 Tollgate Rd Owings Mills, MD 21117			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	11A- Baltimore 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:			
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

The preservation and restoration of this African American gravesite will honor the legacy of the individuals buried there, educate the public about their contributions, and ensure the site's long-term preservation. We respectfully request funding to support this important project.