

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Preschool Education Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Howard County Senators	Howard County Delegation	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Howard County	\$500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a Preschool Education Center		
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
Fevzi Sarac		225-421-7989
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>MARTI is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering education, intercultural and interfaith dialogue, and community service. Our mission is to build bridges between diverse communities through educational initiatives, cultural programs, and collaborative events. MARTI provides weekend schools, mentorship programs, college preparation workshops and community outreach activities that promote inclusivity, and personal development. By fostering an inclusive learning environment, we aim to equip students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed for personal and academic success while contributing to the educational growth of Howard County and beyond. We also host interfaith gatherings, leadership workshops, and service projects to strengthen social cohesion. Through our efforts, we aim to create a more connected, understanding, and engaged community.</p>		

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

MARTI aims to transform part of its existing facility into a structured Pre-School Education Center to address the critical shortage of accessible, high-quality education in Howard County. This project will provide a nurturing and inclusive environment where young children can develop essential cognitive, social, and emotional skills, preparing them for long-term academic success. By offering structured learning opportunities, we seek to bridge the gap for underserved families, ensuring that every child has access to a strong educational foundation. The center will focus on interactive and developmentally appropriate instruction, fostering curiosity, creativity, and confidence in young learners. Through this initiative, MARTI is committed to enhancing early childhood education in Howard County, reinforcing our mission to serve diverse communities with equity and opportunity.

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	\$188,000
Design	\$12,000
Construction	\$150,000
Equipment	\$150,000
Total	\$500,000

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

LBI	\$500,000
Total	\$500,000

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
6/1/2025	9/30/2025	9/30/2025	4/30/2026
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
0.00	0		40
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)	
Maryland Turkish American Inhabitants 9115 Guilford Rd. Columbia, MD 21046			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	13 - Howard 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:	Fevzi Sarac	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	2254217989		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
9115 Guilford Rd. Columbia, MD 21046			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	10	0.00	500000.00
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?			No
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
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	22300		
Space to be Renovated GSF	2300		
New GSF			

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

2025

28. Comments

Maryland Turkish American Inhabitants (MARTI) is excited to establish a dedicated facility in Howard County to further our mission of educational excellence and community engagement. Our facility, spanning 22,300 square feet, is already well-suited for use as an educational center. Within this space, we have identified a 2,300-square-foot portion that will be renovated for our preschool education project.

Currently, this designated portion houses seven classrooms, making it an ideal foundation for a high-quality early childhood education program. Given that the facility already meets educational standards, our construction budget will remain limited, focusing only on necessary renovations and enhancements to optimize the space for preschool learning.

Howard County has a pressing need for additional preschool education centers, and our facility presents a unique opportunity to address this demand efficiently. With minimal modifications, we can swiftly transform our space into a fully functional preschool, maximizing impact while keeping costs low.

We are seeking funding primarily to secure this portion of the building for the preschool initiative, support necessary renovations, and acquire essential equipment. With a modest investment, this project will deliver significant educational benefits to the community, making it a cost-effective and high-impact initiative.

MARTI is committed to providing a nurturing and inclusive learning environment for young learners, and this project represents an important step in fulfilling that commitment. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to contributing to the educational growth of Howard County.