

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Sgt Alfred B Hilton Memorial Post No 55		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
	S. Johnson	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Harford County	\$350,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Post No. 55 property		
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
Vernard Ervin		
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>American Legion Post 55 was renamed SGT Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Post 55, who was an African American Union Army soldier during the American Civil War and Harford's County only recipient of America's highest military decoration-the Medal of Honor. We are a patriotic organization that honor's his service by enhancing the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military, and communities by our devotion to mutual helpfulness. Our mission is to serve Veterans and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve our communities and our country. We have been a long-time focal point for Harford County veterans, mentoring the youth and sponsoring programs in our communities while advocating Americanism and Honor!</p>		

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

This renovation project is a dire need. Post 55 is housed in a building requiring varied repairs to its kitchen and hall. Our building needs to be restored to a good state of repair for the Morale, Welfare and Recreation of it's members, to provide quality of life programs that directly supports readiness by providing a variety of community, family support activities and services. Lastly to comply with the current, accepted level of quality, functionality and safety. To become a Hall that is considered up to date and suitable for today's needs. Our current building facilities are inadequate and sub-standard. Our serving kitchen to feed our aging veterans and youth and condition of our Hall to conduct meetings, host our veterans, provide community programming are low grade. The proposed upgrades will provide Post 55 the ability to increase its standard of operations and services to our Veterans, Families, Youth and community.

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	\$50,000
Construction	\$175,000
Equipment	\$125,000
Total	\$350,000

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

Grants (LBI)	\$350,000
Total	\$350,000

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
4/1/2025	6/2/2025	6/9/2025	8/29/2025
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
0.00	2100		4500
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A	\$0		
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
SGT Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Post 55 115 N Bond Street Bel Air, MD 21014			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	34A - Harford 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:	Philip Hunter (JAG - Judge Advocate General)	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-961-2059		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
SGT Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Post 55 115 N Bond ST Bel Air, MD 21014			

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	0	0	0
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	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	1900		
Space to be Renovated GSF	1700		
New GSF	1900		

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

2025

28. Comments

The veterans in Post 55 face a wide range of challenges including physical and mental health issues, difficulty finding employment, and social isolation. Our Post provides a safe haven for them through mutual comradeship and improving our building facilities will go along way in helping our Veterans to thrive!

We provide solutions to Bel Air community and Harford County and have long been a focal point! By mentoring the youth and sponsoring programs in our communities while advocating Americanism and Honor! Your long term investment will go a long way toward bringing up morale, keeping members engaged, attracting other veterans and making our organization be future-ready. I thank you in advance!

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Vernard Ervin
Commander