

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
West Park Veteran's Service Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
	Kerr	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Frederick County	\$150,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the West Park Veteran's Service Center, located in the John R. Webb VFW Post 3285		
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
Patrick Pierson		301-466-7559
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>John R. Webb VFW Post 3285 serves veterans, families, and our community. We provide vital support to veterans, connecting them with healthcare, benefits, and emotional aid. We honor their service through patriotic events and memorials, fostering a sense of community and remembrance. We actively promote patriotism and civic engagement, educating youth and participating in local ceremonies. Our commitment extends to community service, supporting local charities and projects that improve Frederick. We advocate for veterans' rights, ensuring they receive earned benefits. Post 3285 is a hub for veterans, offering camaraderie and assistance, while contributing to the well-being of our community. We strive to uphold the VFW's mission of service and support, ensuring veterans and Frederick thrive.</p>		

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

West Park Veterans Service Center, at Frederick VFW 3285, serves veterans in Frederick's westernmost area. This project creates a central hub for resources, simplifying access to benefits, healthcare, and transition assistance. We provide expert help navigating VA systems, ensuring veterans receive earned benefits. Support includes employment aid, education guidance, and crisis intervention for homelessness or mental health challenges. We conduct outreach to reach underserved veterans, particularly in West Park, raising awareness of available support. The center strengthens existing VFW services, providing camaraderie and direct aid. Our goal: empower veterans, promote self-sufficiency, and honor their service, fostering a supportive community within Frederick's West Park.

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	\$350,000
Design	\$100,000
Construction	\$2,800,000
Equipment	
Total	\$3,250,000

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

Land purchased by VFW	\$350,000
VFW's own funds	\$1,000,000
Federal HUD Grant	\$1,000,000
Maryland LBI 23-280	\$200,000
Maryland LBI 23-571	\$300,000
Woodsboro Bank Loan	\$400,000
Total	\$3,250,000

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
2/10/2025	TBD	TBD	TBD
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
1000000.00	1100 Veterans		5000 Veterans
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
23	\$500,000	New Post Home construction	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
John R. Webb VFW Post 3285 5901 Old National Pike Frederick, MD 21702		5951 Old National Pike Frederick, MD 21702	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	3 - Frederick 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:	Patrick Pierson	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-466-7559		Yes
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
5901 Old National Pike Frederick, MD 21702		1/1/2024	436500.00

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
6	12	254111.00	222000.00
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?			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	6000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	3000		
New GSF	9000		

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

2026

28. Comments

Thank you for taking the time to review our grant proposal. We are committed to ensuring the success of this project and believe your input will be instrumental in achieving our goals. We are grateful for your support and look forward to the possibility of partnering with you.