

# State Of Maryland

## 2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Hereford Volunteer Fire Company		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
West	Mangione	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Baltimore County	\$500,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Hereford Volunteer Fire Company's building renovation project		
<b>7. Matching Fund</b>		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
<b>8. Special Provisions</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
<b>9. Contact Name and Title</b>	<b>Contact Ph#</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
M. Justin Kinsey		410-456-3584
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Hereford Volunteer Fire Company (HVFC) is an all-volunteer fire and rescue organization serving northern Baltimore County, Maryland. Founded in 1924, the company provides fire suppression, rescue services, and emergency response to a largely rural and suburban region that includes residential communities, farmland, and wooded areas. HVFC maintains a fleet of apparatus including an engine, rescue squad, tanker, rural water supply unit, and brush/wildland unit to handle structure fires, vehicle accidents, technical rescues, and medical emergencies. The organization relies on trained volunteers who respond 24/7/365. In addition to emergency services, HVFC plays an active community role through fire safety education, public events, and fundraising activities that help support equipment, training, and station operations.</p>		

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

The Hereford Volunteer Fire Company occupies a building that was designed for a "respond from home" membership. (If the fire company was alerted for a response, volunteers would come to the firehouse from home/work). However, the median price of a home in the community is 2-3 times greater than the rest of the county. This causes our most active members (aged 18-28) to be priced-out of the market. To retain these members locally, we must improve our inadequate and aging facilities. The current living space consists of approximately 1500sqft and includes a day room (a modest living/dining room), a small kitchen, a bunkroom, and two bathrooms. To support minimum staffing requirements (8 firefighters, with full staffing requiring 12 firefighters), these areas would require extensive renovation and expansion. Our members could then comfortably spend more time at the firehouse, including some who would occupy the firehouse on a semi-permanent basis.

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	\$0
<b>Design</b>	\$10,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$565,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,000</b>

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

Requested State LBI Grant	\$500,000
Fundraising	\$50,000
Cash Reserves	\$25,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,000</b>

<b>14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
Underway	6/8/2026	7/1/2026	9/30/2026
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>	<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>	
50000	145 Members	145 Members	
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
None			
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Hereford Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. 510 Monkton Road Monkton, Maryland 21111			
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	42A - Baltimore County		
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
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<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	H. Barnes Mowell	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	410-329-6488		
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
16925 York Rd Monkton, MD 21111			

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Own
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			No
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>	10000		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	4000		
<b>New GSF</b>	100		

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

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**28. Comments**

The Hereford Volunteer Fire Company (HVFC) was dispatched to 1,055 calls in 2025 (up from 902 in 2024). While a majority of our responses occurred in District 42A, approximately 16% occurred in District 7B, 10, 11A, 11B, 42B, 42C, 43B, & 44A, and approximately 1% occurred in District 5,6, 7A, 8, 35A, 44A, & 44B.