

State Of Maryland

2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Long Meadow Volunteer Fire Company		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Corderman	Valentine	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Washington County	\$245,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Long Meadow Volunteer Fire Company facilities, including the construction of a second building		
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
John Latimer		301-573-4208
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Long Meadow Volunteer Fire Company, situated in central Washington County, just north of the City of Hagerstown, was established in 1971. Our team comprises approximately 50 dedicated volunteers and 10 part-time staff members. In 2025 alone, Long Meadow responded to 1,248 emergencies. We provide comprehensive services, including firefighting, emergency medical, and rescue responses. Our jurisdiction spans central Washington County, the City of Hagerstown, and extends to other communities in central and western Maryland as well as southern Pennsylvania.</p>		

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

The Long Meadow Volunteer Fire Company seeks to construct a second building on our fire station property. While our existing fire station underwent renovations to address working conditions and ADA/life safety concerns, all response vehicles, equipment, and supplies remain housed in the original metal butler building from 1971. We require additional temperature-controlled and secure space to properly house our response vehicles and equipment. This project will enable us to more effectively address the fire and rescue needs of our community well into the future.

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	\$0
Design	\$15,000
Construction	\$185,000
Equipment	\$45,000
Total	\$245,000

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

State of Maryland	\$220,000
Fire Company Funds (from savings)	\$25,000
Total	\$245,000

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
4/20/2026	5/31/2026	7/1/2026	10/15/2026
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	
25000	Approx. 50 volunteers and 10	Same as #16	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
None			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Long Meadow Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. 19307 Longmeadow Road Hagerstown, MD 21742			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	2B - Washington 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:	No attorney on retainer	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
Approx 50 vol	Same	612000	655000
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
N/A			
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	N/A - Project is new construction		
Space to be Renovated GSF	N/A - Project is new construction		
New GSF	9,000		

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

N/A

28. Comments

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Membership of the Longmeadow Volunteer Fire Company, we extend our sincere appreciation to the State of Maryland for considering our grant request. As a dedicated non-profit organization within the community, we understand the financial implications such requests can have on our government partners, and we are truly grateful for your consideration.

Our unwavering mission is to serve our community and the surrounding areas with utmost professionalism every day of the year. Being a volunteer firefighter or EMT is not just a job; it is a calling that demands commitment and sacrifice. We wholeheartedly embrace this responsibility and remain ever ready to respond to any call for assistance.

To ensure we can continue to meet future demands with the same level of dedication, we respectfully seek your support for our construction project. Your assistance will empower us to maintain the necessary facilities to uphold our commitment to the community. Thank you for your consideration and support.