

# State Of Maryland

## 2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Manna Food Center		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
	Coley	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Prince George's County	\$100,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Manna Food Center		
<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>
Craig Rice		240-476-5067
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Manna Food Centers origins reflect the power of community coming together to address hunger in Montgomery County. That shared responsibility continues to define who we are and how we serve. When Manna opened its doors in 1983, those doors belonged to a vacant elementary school. With a modest budget, a single \$3,100 pledge, and 16,000 pounds of donated food, Manna served several hundred people at a time when economic instability was reshaping our county. Over the decades, growing community investment has transformed Mannas work. What began as a traditional food bank has evolved into a hub for food distribution, nutrition education, and partnership. Today, Manna serves tens of thousands of neighbors annually, responding to complex realities of food insecurity in one of the nations most diverse and economically unequal counties.</p>		

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

Manna Food Center expansion will allow Manna to operate food distribution programs at three existing DSS locations: Landover, Temple Hills, and Hyattsville. By integrating food access directly into these locations, Manna will help ensure that families who are already seeking support can also receive healthy food in a welcoming and accessible environment. At the Temple Hills and Hyattsville sites, Manna will assume operational responsibility for existing food distribution programs and enhance them with improved logistics, supply coordination, and expanded partnerships with local food producers and regional food banks. The Landover location represents the most significant opportunity for growth and innovation within this initiative. While the site currently supports social service operations, it requires targeted facility improvements in order to function as a full-service food distribution hub capable of meeting the scale of community need.

*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>	\$20,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$110,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$170,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>

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

Morningstar Foundation	\$100,000
State Bond	\$100,000
Donors	\$100,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$300,000</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>
4/6/2026	4/20/2026	4/27/2026	5/25/2026
<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>
0.00		6500	20000
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
2019	\$150,000	Administrative offices and food pantry at Old Columb	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
12301 Old Columbia Pike Ste 200 Silver Spring, MD 20904		425 Brightseat Road Landover, MD 20785	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	24 - Prince George's 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>	Craig Rice	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	2402682524		No
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
12301 Old Columbia Pike Ste 200 Silver Spring, MD 20904			

<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>
1	4	0.00	
<b>25. Ownership of Property</b> (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Lease
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			
<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>	60000		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	6000		
<b>New GSF</b>	6000		

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

1997

**28. Comments**

State bond funding will support a critical build-out at the Landover site to transform the existing space into a modern food pantry designed around dignity, efficiency, and accessibility. Key improvements will include the installation of expanded cold storage capacity, including commercial refrigerators and freezers, which will allow the site to safely store and distribute fresh produce, dairy products, proteins, and other perishable foods. Access to cold storage is essential to providing nutritious options that support the health of families and individuals managing chronic conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, and hypertension.

In addition to cold storage, bond funding will support the installation of modern shelving, food display systems, and client-flow improvements that will allow the pantry to operate as a choice-based market rather than a traditional emergency food line. A choice pantry allows visitors to select the foods that best meet their family's needs, dietary restrictions, and cultural preferences. This model not only reduces food waste but also restores a sense of dignity and autonomy to families during difficult times.

The redesigned Landover site will also improve operational efficiency, enabling volunteers and staff to safely handle higher volumes of food while maintaining appropriate storage standards. With proper shelving, storage systems, and workspace, the pantry will be able to distribute significantly more food while maintaining the quality and safety standards that families deserve.

Once fully operational, the three Prince Georges County sites will serve as a coordinated network of food access points that connect families with nutritious food while also linking them to critical social services. By embedding food distribution within DSS facilities, this partnership reduces barriers that often prevent families from accessing assistance, such as transportation challenges, stigma, or the need to navigate multiple service locations.

State investment in the Landover build-out will play a vital role in making this vision possible. With the addition of cold storage, proper shelving, and improved distribution infrastructure, the site will become a central hub capable of serving thousands of residents each year while ensuring that every individual who walks through the doors is treated with respect and dignity.

The expansion into Prince Georges County represents an important step forward in strengthening the regional response to hunger. Through strong partnerships, thoughtful facility design, and a commitment to dignity-centered service, Manna Food Center is working to ensure that every family, regardless of circumstance, has access to the healthy food they need to thrive.

With state support, these three sites will help build a more resilient and equitable food system for Prince Georges County and the broader region.