

State Of Maryland

2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Neighborhood Community Track and Field		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Kramer		
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Montgomery County	\$500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Neighborhood Community Track and Field facilities located at Berman Hebrew Academy		
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
Jennifer Zukerman		301.962.9400 ext. 621
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Berman is an 800+ student day school that provides a comprehensive college preparatory and Jewish education which was the former Montgomery County Peary High School. The school salvaged a valuable community facility by renovating it. There is a full sized track and field that is open to the public in the evenings and on weekends and is heavily utilized by the local and surrounding communities. It is considered a desirable place for recreation, particularly for elderly and immigrant populations, due to the plentiful parking, convenient location and flexible schedule. The outdoor spaces are made available to community groups and help create a vibrant community center serving the broader community of Rockville and extending throughout Montgomery County. Berman maintains the equipment and grounds, pays for trash removal and general upkeep.</p>		

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

The Berman track, fields and playgrounds are used by the neighborhood for competition and recreation. It was first resurfaced in about 1999 with a spongy substance that protects runners' knees and joints, but due to heavy usage, large areas of the surface wore down to the bare concrete. In 2014 the track was resurfaced and the asphalt was replaced. To make this valuable community asset more beneficial to the community which uses it heavily (it is the only neighborhood park with an accessible track, field, playgrounds, parking and maintenance and upkeep held at very high standards in this entire segment of Rockville), we wish to add lighting, an outdoor pavillion, resurface the track and make other general improvements to continue to make this community resource a special and valuable place.

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	\$200,000
Construction	\$400,000
Equipment	\$100,000
Total	\$700,000

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

In kind design and project management from Berman Heb	\$200,000
State of Maryland Bond Bill	\$500,000
Total	\$700,000

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
11/3/2025	6/30/2026	7/6/2026	8/28/2026
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
0.00	3000+		4500+
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2015	\$25,000	Refrigeration unit for meals on wheels community fee	
2013	\$100,000	Initial track renovation	
2024	\$655,000	HVAC units for community use spaces	
2018	\$150,000	Roof repairs for community use spaces	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Melvin J. Berman Hebrew Academy 13300 Arctic Avenue Rockville, MD 20853			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	19 - Montgomery 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:	Jennifer Zukerman	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	3019629400		Yes
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
13300 Arctic Avenue Rockville, MD 20853		1997	1500000.00
		1997	1500000.00
		1997	750000.00
		1997	1755000.00

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
220	230	19300000.00	20000000.00
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	200,000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	200,000		

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

1960

28. Comments