

# State Of Maryland

## 2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Project O'Donnell Square Park		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
Ferguson		
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Baltimore City	\$200,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Project O'Donnell Square Park		
<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>
Amanda Bourgeois		410-342-0900
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Canton Community Association (CCA) is a 501c3 all volunteer organization founded in 1998 by a group of volunteers. The CCA aims to promote and protect the beauty, safety, stability, and social and economic vitality of the neighborhood by building relationships with residents, businesses, and government officials. The CCA serves as a resource for residents and businesses and works to promote positive economic development. There is a board of directors as well as various committees, and membership is open to anyone. Regular meetings are held to inform and engage the community. Committees work on important neighborhood issues such as public safety, economic development and various cleaning/greening efforts. All efforts are meant to keep the community informed and help support Baltimore City with regular maintenance and updates.</p>		

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

The O'Donnell Square Park Project revitalizes the center of the park by replacing a fenced-in, deteriorating statue pedestal in unusable space, with a durable prefabricated canopy structure designed for community gatherings, shade, and year-round activation. Scope includes engineering, removal of the concrete pedestal/fence, install new footings, redesigned paver surface, accessibility and circulation improvements, supplemental electrical, site furnishings, and repurposing of metal artwork from fencing to be permanent metal art sculptures throughout the park. The improvements have an expected lifespan exceeding 15 years and will serve thousands of annual park users, including families, seniors, local businesses, and visitors. This upgrade will create a safer, more functional, and more welcoming public gathering space for Canton residents and visitors and supports long-term use of one of Southeast Baltimore's most historic neighborhood parks.

*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>	\$70,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$200,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$30,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>

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

State Legislative Bond Initiative Request	\$200,000
DHCD Placemaking Grant	\$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>
4/1/2025	12/31/2025	6/1/2026	12/31/2026
<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		22,000	30,000
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Canton Community Association 3500 Boston St Suite 235 Baltimore, MD 21224			
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>		46 - Baltimore City	
<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>	Amanda Bourgeois	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	4102411684		
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
1024 S Curley St. Baltimore, MD 21224			

<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>
0	0	0.00	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>			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>	1750		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	1750		
<b>New GSF</b>	1750		

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

center garden/statue installed  
1980

**28. Comments**

ODonnell Square Park is a public park owned by the City of Baltimore and operated by the Baltimore City Department of Parks and Recreation (BCRP). The Canton Community Association is seeking State capital grant funds to support renovations to the park in partnership with BCRP and the Parks and People Foundation. We will administer the grant funds and execute all contracts for work to be completed via donation agreement with the City of Baltimore. BCRP has already stated their support for this approach and the execution of the aforementioned grant agreement. We confirmed with the Department of General Services that this approach complies with their capital grants application process.

In addition, Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation (CHAP) has reviewed the project with BCRP and determined the scope does not warrant a CHAP review.