

State Of Maryland

2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Washington County Public Safety Training Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Corderman	Wivell	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Washington County	\$435,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Washington County Public Safety Training Center		
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
Maria Kramer, Director Office of Grant Management		240-313-2340
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Washington County Government supports and/or provides services to the county in the areas of Public Safety, Education, Infrastructure, Economic Development and Human Services with diligence, pride and partnership. Supporting and strengthening individual and community self-reliance and responsibility; promoting education, economic opportunities, public health, safety and welfare; protecting the environment and cultural resources we share; and planning for future urbanization and a culturally diverse population. Washington County Government serves over 150,000 people throughout the nine municipalities that make up the county. These include the City of Hagerstown and the Towns of Boonsboro, Clear Spring, Funkstown, Hancock, Keedysville, Sharpsburg, Smithsburg, and Williamsport.</p>		

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

The grant funds will be used to support continuing additions to the Washington County Public Safety Training Center (PSTC). The PSTC is a multi-phase, campus style learning environment, designed to meet all academic and dynamic training needs for fire, EMS, and law enforcement (recruits and incumbent personnel). The center sits on 49.2 acres and as planned, allows for expansion, and will carry Washington County through the next 30-40 years. The location of the PSTC at 18350 Public Safety Place is central to Washington County, which allows for easy access and use by other Maryland agencies and jurisdictions. Being one of only a few fire, EMS, and law enforcement combination PSTCs outside of the beltway area, the location is well positioned to support western Marylands fire, EMS and law enforcement training needs, without the extended travel time to the Baltimore/Washington corridor.

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	
Design	
Construction	\$760,000
Equipment	
Total	\$760,000

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

Bond Initiative	\$435,000
Local Funding	\$325,000
Total	\$760,000

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
9/1/2026	3/30/2027	4/1/2027	8/30/2028
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
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2024 Governor's Bud	\$2,250,000	Washington County Public Safety Training Center	
2017-2021	\$7,500,000	Hagerstown Urban Improvement Project- Five grants.	
DGS Item 175	\$500,000	Washington County Public Training Center	
DGS Item 191	\$500,000	Washington County Public Training Center	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Board of County Commissioners of Washington County		100 West Washington Street Hagerstown, Maryland 21740	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	2A - Washington and Frederick Counties		
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:	John Barr, President BOCC	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	240-313-2205		
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
7	8	1207500.00	1400000.00
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			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	New Building-Canine Facility-1,600 square		

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

2027-28

28. Comments

Funding approved was for enhancements to the Public Safety Training Center. The original funding requirement priority order document included \$50,000 for a canine agility training area as indicated below:

Outdoor Track - \$125,000

Canine Agility Training Area - \$50,000

Pump Pad / Drafting Pit - \$125,000

Drone Flying Area - \$10,000

The canine area as listed above includes only an outside area but plans now include a 1600 square foot K-9 Training Building which will be at a proposed cost of \$500,000.

As indicated in section 12 above, total cost of the project with the newly proposed building is \$760,00. With \$435,00 of that coming from the bond bill and \$325,000 from local funds.