

RB29
Salisbury University
University System of Maryland

Capital Budget Summary

State-owned Capital Improvement Program
(\$ in Millions)

Projects	Prior Auth.	2023 Request	2024 Est.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.	Beyond CIP
Blackwell Hall Renovation	\$0.000	\$1.940	\$2.371	\$19.406	\$24.267	\$0.000	\$0.000
Total	\$0.000	\$1.940	\$2.371	\$19.406	\$24.267	\$0.000	\$0.000

Fund Source	Prior Auth.	2023 Request	2024 Est.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.	Beyond CIP
GO Bonds	\$0.000	\$1.940	\$2.371	\$19.406	\$24.267	\$0.000	\$0.000
Total	\$0.000	\$1.940	\$2.371	\$19.406	\$24.267	\$0.000	\$0.000

CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*
GO: general obligation

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Approve \$1,940,000 in general obligation funding to start design of the renovation of Blackwell Hall.

Summary of Fiscal 2023 Funded State-owned Projects

Blackwell Hall Renovation

Blackwell Hall formerly housed the library that moved to the Academic Commons in 2016. This project will fully renovate the facility and construct a two-story addition on the northwest corner of the building. Once completed, Student Services will be consolidated in one location creating a one-stop shop for students that will include Admissions, Financial Aid, the Bursar, Academic Advising, Student Health Center, Counseling Services, Career Services, the Office of the Dean of Students, and the Testing Center.

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The fiscal 2023 capital budget provides \$1.9 million to start design of the renovation. The renovation will include reconfiguring the space, replacing the building systems, upgrading the exterior, and site improvements. The addition will provide a new entrance, a reception and waiting areas, and offices. The space vacated by the various offices will be converted to classrooms, laboratories, offices, and study space. It is projected that the renovation will be completed in fiscal 2026 at an estimated cost of \$48.0 million, but this is a very early program estimate not informed by design efforts.

Currently, the various functions related to student services are located in five buildings across campus resulting in students having to go to multiple locations in order to conduct transactions or receive academic support services. In addition, staff have to go between the various buildings to carry out daily functions of their offices. This project will address the following issues:

- ***Inefficient Delivery of Student Services:*** The various functions of student services are spread across five different buildings on campus. Consolidating student services in one building will correct these inefficiencies and inconveniences and facilitate the conversion of vacated spaces into much needed classroom, laboratory, office, and study space.
- ***Lack of and Inadequate Functionality of Space:*** Student service functions are located in poorly configured spaces that are too small to accommodate the demand for services and personnel. Storage and conference room space has been converted into offices resulting in a lack of collaborative or meeting space. Furthermore, at several locations, restrooms have been converted into offices. There is no room for these offices to expand at their present locations without impacting other departments.
- ***Not Compliant with Current Codes:*** Blackwell Hall is not compliant in terms of accessibility, fire alarm, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing systems. The roof is at the end of its useful life and is leaking. Furthermore, the current facilities housing the Student Health Services and Counseling Center do not meet accreditation guidelines and have noted deficiencies regarding privacy and adequate space to provide proper healthcare practices.

Operating Budget Impact Statement

Executive’s Operating Budget Impact Statement – State-owned Projects
Fiscal 2023-2027
(\$ in Millions)

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Blackwell Hall Renovation					
Estimated Operating Cost	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.010	\$0.096
Estimated Staffing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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The renovation of Blackwell Hall will not impact the operating budget until fiscal 2026 with projected expenditures of \$10,000 reflecting a partial year of operations and increase to \$96,000 in fiscal 2027 reflecting a full year of operations. Expenditures include communications, fuel and utilities, and supplies.