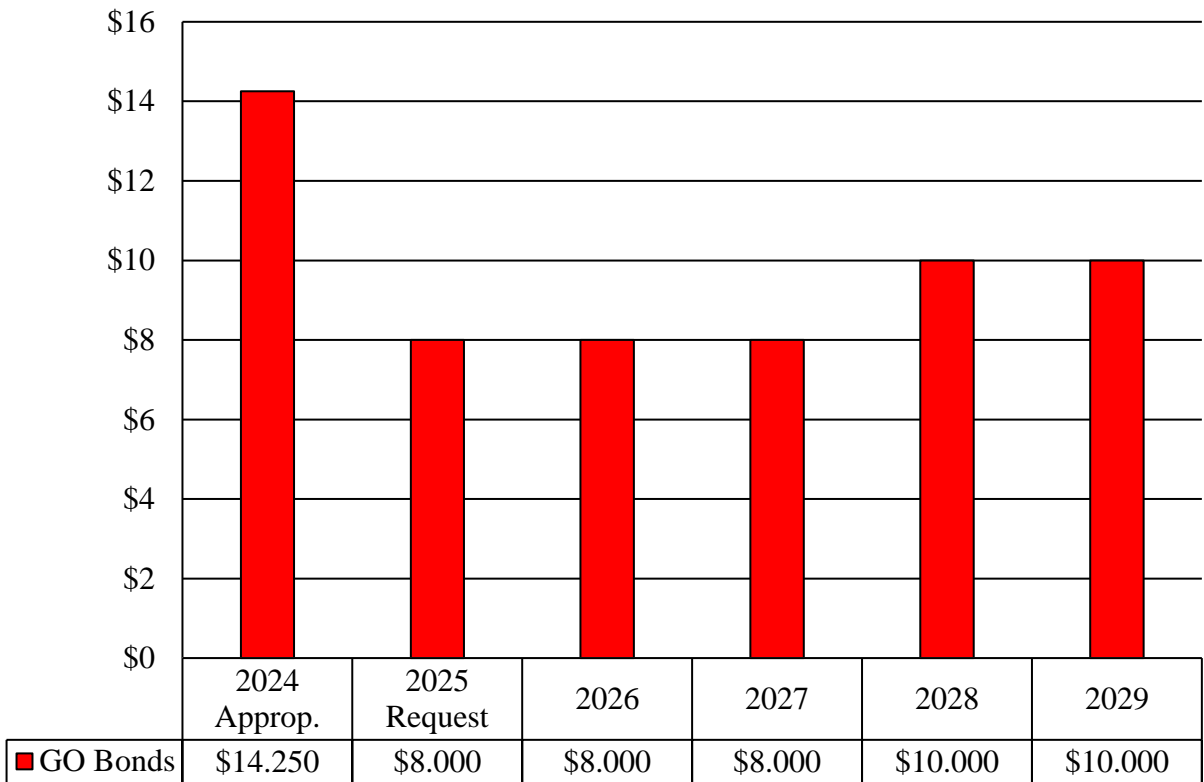


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**Maryland Independent College and University Association – Capital
Miscellaneous Grant Programs**

Capital Budget Summary

**Grant and Loan *Capital Improvement Program*
MICUA Private Higher Education Facilities Grant Program
(\$ in Millions)**



GO: general obligation
MICUA: Maryland Independent College and University Association

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Approve all authorizations for the Maryland Independent College and University Association.

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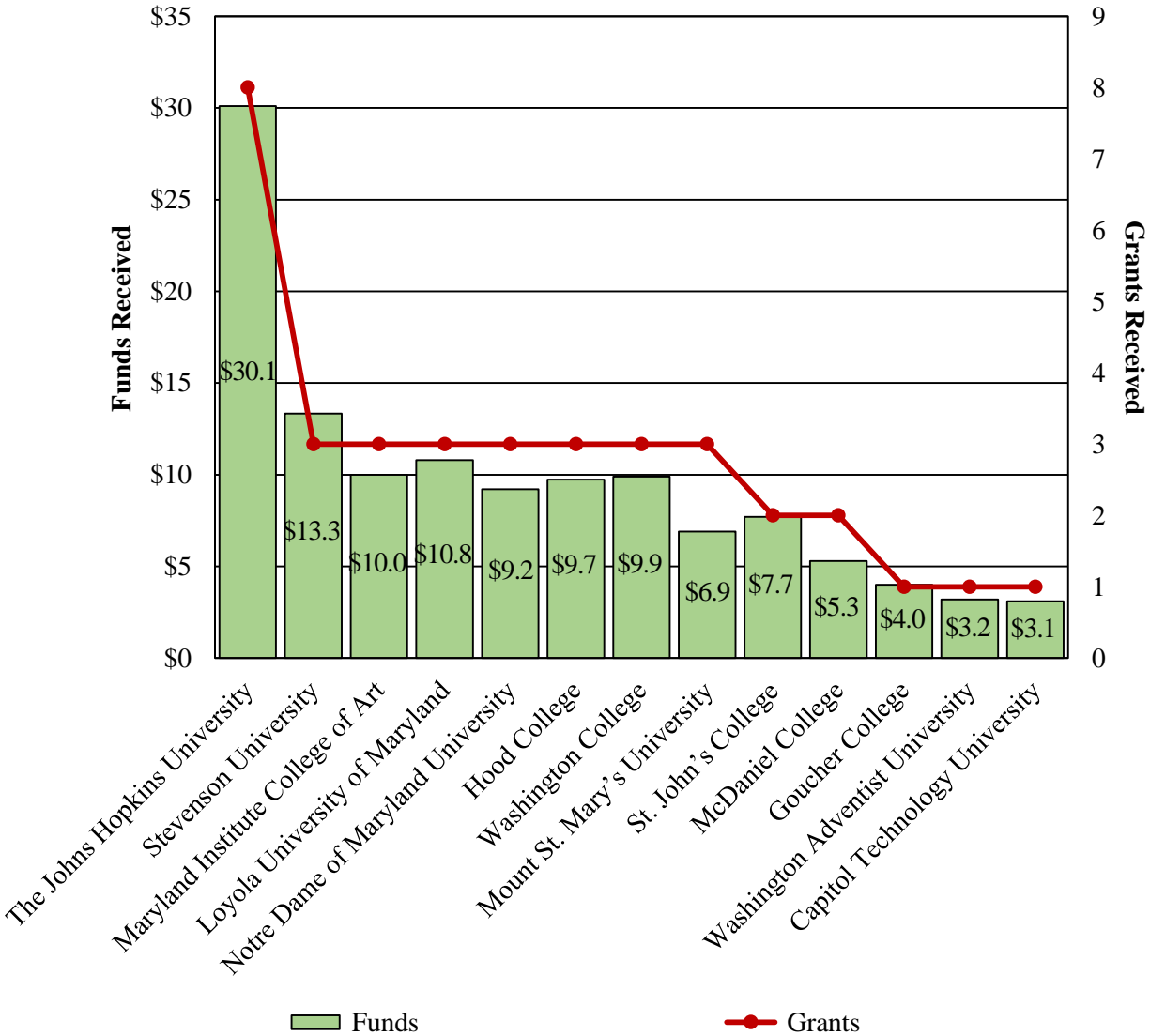
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Budget Overview of Grant and Loan Programs

The Maryland Independent College and University Association (MICUA) Higher Education Facilities Grant Program provides funds to Maryland’s private colleges and universities to assist with costs of constructing and renovating academic facilities and infrastructure. The grants awarded through this program leverage institutional resources and private donations that must at least match the State appropriation for each project. Established in calendar 1971, MICUA represents 13 member institutions that serve nearly 55,000 students annually, representing approximately 17% of student enrollment in statewide higher education and 27% of all degrees conferred annually by four-year institutions in the State. Of all MICUA undergraduates, 25% are Pell recipients, 39% are underrepresented minority students, and 50% are students of color.

Requests for funding through the State’s capital budget made by member institutions are reviewed annually by the MICUA Capital Projects Committee and endorsed based on project readiness; ability to meet the State’s matching fund requirement, if applicable; and overall compliance with State and MICUA regulations. Endorsed projects augment the State’s higher education agenda and are aligned with the goals identified in the 2021-2025 Maryland State Plan for Postsecondary Education. **Exhibit 1** shows the MICUA capital program appropriations by member institution from fiscal 2015 through the fiscal 2025 request, including the number of grants that each program received. During this period, the State has provided approximately \$123 million for 36 projects at 13 institutions.

Exhibit 1
Overview of MICUA Capital Grants
Fiscal 2015-2025
(\$ in Millions)



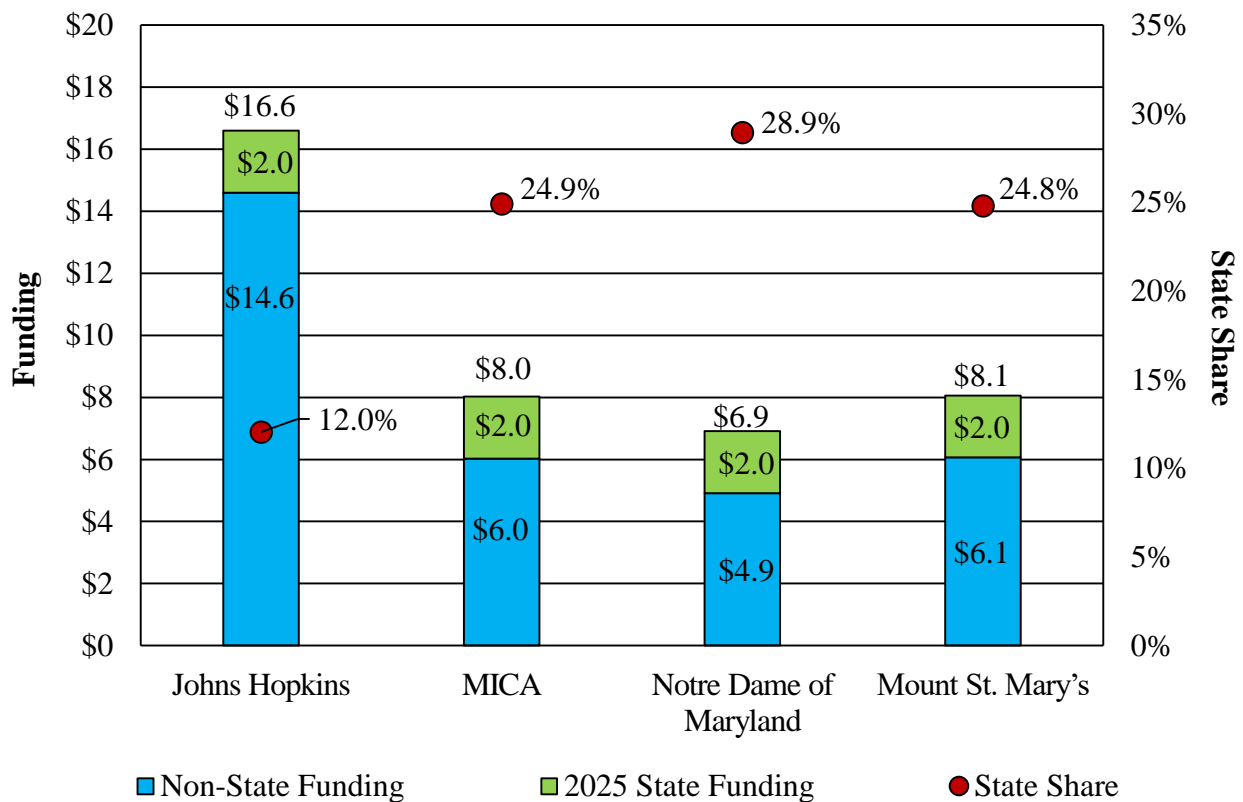
MICUA: Maryland Independent College and University Association

Source: Maryland Independent College and University Association

Fiscal 2025 Grants

As introduced, the capital budget provides \$8 million in general obligation (GO) bonds for projects at four MICUA institutions: the Johns Hopkins University (JHU); the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA); Notre Dame of Maryland University (NDM); and Mount St. Mary’s University. The proposed funding level is \$6.25 million less than the fiscal 2024 funding level but is consistent with the amount programmed for fiscal 2025 in the 2023 *Capital Improvement Program*. **Exhibit 2** summarizes the fiscal 2025 capital grant projects by total cost and share that is State funded. As shown, all projects receive \$2.0 million in fiscal 2025, although this shows varying shares of State funding as a percentage of total project cost.

Exhibit 2
Capital Grants by Total Cost and State Share
Fiscal 2025
(\$ in Millions)



MICA: Maryland Institute College of Art

Source: Department of Budget and Management

The fiscal 2025 capital budget also includes \$20 million in funding for the JHU Data Science and Computing Infrastructure project through the Department of General Services Miscellaneous Grant Program. Of the \$20 million total in State funding, \$13.0 million is in GO bonds, while \$7.0 million is in general funds through the Dedicated Purpose Account. The project will support the new data science and translation institute dedicated to the development of machine learning and artificial intelligence systems. The project will expand the university's enhanced computational infrastructure through investing in high-speed computing infrastructure and on-premise hardware purchases.

1. Johns Hopkins University – Krieger School of Arts and Sciences Wyman Park Building

The fiscal 2025 capital budget includes a \$2.0 million grant to design, renovate, and modernize existing space in the Wyman Park Building 1 to relocate the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences (KSAS) program at JHU in Baltimore City. This project will create a Social Sciences hub in the Wyman Park Building 1 that houses the Economics, Political Science, Anthropology, and Sociology departments and will provide updated classrooms, seminar rooms, conference rooms, and offices. The project will provide upgrades and enhancements to KSAS' academic and research facilities, including modernizing facilities, improving space utilization, and providing a more cohesive environment for students and faculty to accommodate projected faculty growth. The project seeks to address facility problems such as limited research and collaboration space, functionally inadequate space, since the building originally served as a hospital and is not tailored to the university's academic needs, obsolete space and systems requiring service upgrades such as new electrical panels, HVAC and information technology components, and occupancy sensors for proper energy use.

The proposed fiscal 2025 grant of \$2 million is approximately 12% of the total project cost estimated at \$16.6 million. The project began with the design phase starting in August 2023 and estimated for completion in June 2024, allowing for construction to begin in July 2024 and project completion in July 2025.

2. Maryland Institute College of Art – Renovation of the Historic Main Building

The fiscal 2025 capital budget includes a \$2.0 million grant to renovate the Main Building at MICA in central Baltimore. The Main Building serves as every student's entry point to the campus and is the center of the undergraduate fine arts educational programming and public engagement space. The building was constructed in the early 1900s, and the renovations will establish up-to-date, publicly accessible spaces for convening, learning, and exhibition. The renovations will provide accessible spaces, transform and secure their historic glass and iron roof, upgrade studio spaces, and repoint masonry. The project seeks to provide structural repair and system upgrades to address inefficient and outdated building components including electrical, plumbing, life safety, and accessibility features. The project will also address roof, skylight, and

masonry issues due to water infiltration and address other inadequacies by replacing lighting, updating plumbing, and upgrading aged floors.

The proposed fiscal 2025 grant of \$2 million is approximately 24.9% of the total project cost estimated at \$8.0 million. The project’s design phase is estimated to begin in June 2024 and conclude in December 2024, allowing for construction to begin in May 2025, and project completion in November 2025.

3. Notre Dame of Maryland University – Renovation of Fourier Hall

The fiscal 2025 capital budget includes a \$2.0 million grant to renovate Fourier Hall at NDM in northern Baltimore to create modern classrooms and interactive learning spaces for programs in Art, Art Therapy, and Business. The project will modernize classrooms, studios, laboratories, the Gormley Art Gallery, and faculty and administrative spaces to maximize their capacity and effectiveness. The renovations include reconfiguring spaces; upgrading various furnishings and equipment; reconfiguring mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire protection, and technology-related systems; and fully or partially replacing the building’s tile roof and maintenance of the building envelope to address water infiltration issues. The project will address mechanical system issues including HVAC and air handling units, roof repair and window replacement needs due to water infiltration, obsolete fume hood in the Art Department, and outdated classrooms requiring modern technology and integrative environments.

The proposed fiscal 2025 grant of \$2 million is approximately 28.9% of the total project cost estimated at \$6.9 million. The project began with the design phase starting in January 2023 and estimated for completion in October 2024, allowing for construction to begin in June 2025 and project completion in September 2025.

4. Mount St. Mary’s University – Coad Science Building Renovation

The fiscal 2025 capital budget includes a \$2.0 million grant to renovate the Coad Science Building, which houses the School of Natural Science and Mathematics at Mount St. Mary’s University in Frederick. The renovations will allow the school to accommodate enrollment growth in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines and will renovate the existing facility to create state-of-the-art classrooms, research laboratories, and support spaces on par with a separate project to construct an addition to the existing building that is underway. The project will address aged infrastructure, limited classroom space, configurability and technological capabilities, insufficient and inflexible laboratory space, and lack of collaborative spaces.

The proposed fiscal 2025 grant of \$2 million is approximately 24.8% of the total project cost estimated at \$8.1 million. The project began with the design phase starting in December 2023 and estimated for completion in March 2024, allowing for construction to begin in December 2024 and project completion in June 2026.