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Miscellaneous Grant Programs – Capital

Capital Budget Summary

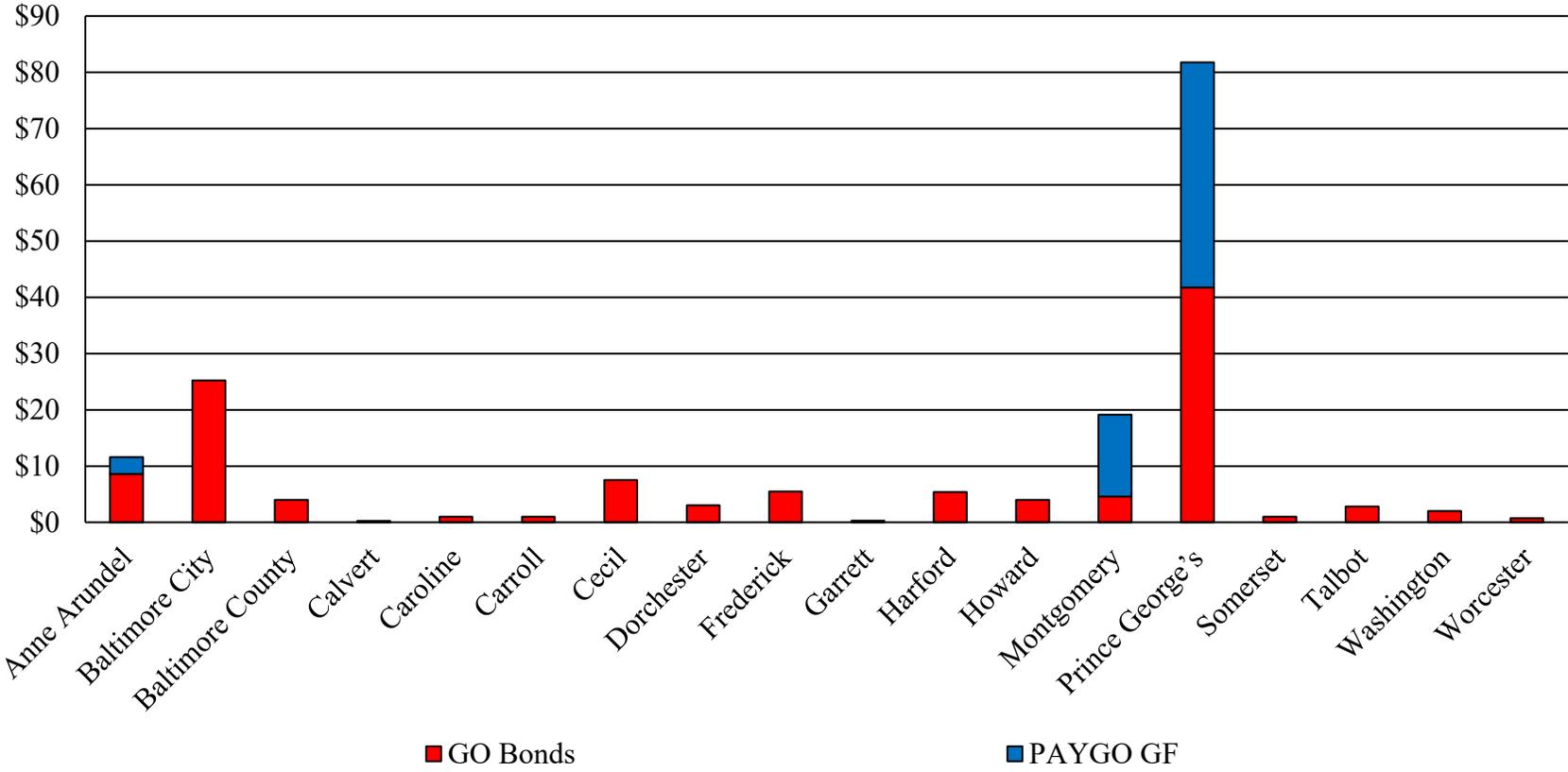
The fiscal 2027 capital program provides funds to support 63 miscellaneous grants proposed by the Governor. This includes \$119.9 million in general obligation (GO) bonds and \$57.6 million in pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) general funds, much of which supports administrative strategic economic initiatives. \$49.0 million provides funds for grants preauthorized for fiscal 2027 by the General Assembly in last session’s capital budget bill. Four projects are listed in the 2026 *Capital Improvement Program* (CIP) as ongoing multi-year commitments. The aggregate future commitment to these projects is programmed at \$91.3 million from fiscal 2028 through 2031, of which \$58.3 million supports a multi-year commitment to support AstraZeneca facility improvements and expansions in Frederick and Montgomery counties, reported at \$116.5 million over eight years, and \$19.0 million is programmed for ongoing facility improvements at the Maryland Zoo. **Exhibit 1** provides an illustration of the total amounts of miscellaneous grant funds included in this analysis for each jurisdiction, and **Exhibit 2** provides a categorical illustration of the type of projects supported by these grants. **Exhibit 3** provides, for fiscal 2020 through 2027, funding history of the total annual amounts of miscellaneous capital grants authorized and the annual percentage of the total GO bond general fund PAYGO capital budget authorizations that these grants represent.

Most grants do not require the grantee to provide a matching fund. For those where a match fund is required, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) has requested the removal of such requirements consistent with current policy adopted by DBM and the Presiding Officers for fiscal 2027 grants. While a match fund may not be stipulated, most projects require funds in excess of what the State intends to provide. **Exhibit 4** provides details for projects that are not programmed as multi-year commitments beyond fiscal 2026, for which the Department of Legislative Services (DLS) recommends approval. **Exhibit 5** provides details for projects where DLS recommends reducing or deleting the grant funds. **Exhibit 6** provides a comparison of legislative preauthorizations for miscellaneous capital grants for fiscal 2027 made during the 2025 session to the amount of funding for these projects included in the fiscal 2027 budget.

Exhibit 1
County Breakdown of Miscellaneous Capital Grants
Fiscal 2027
(\$ in Millions)

Analysis of the FY 2027 Maryland Executive Budget, 2026

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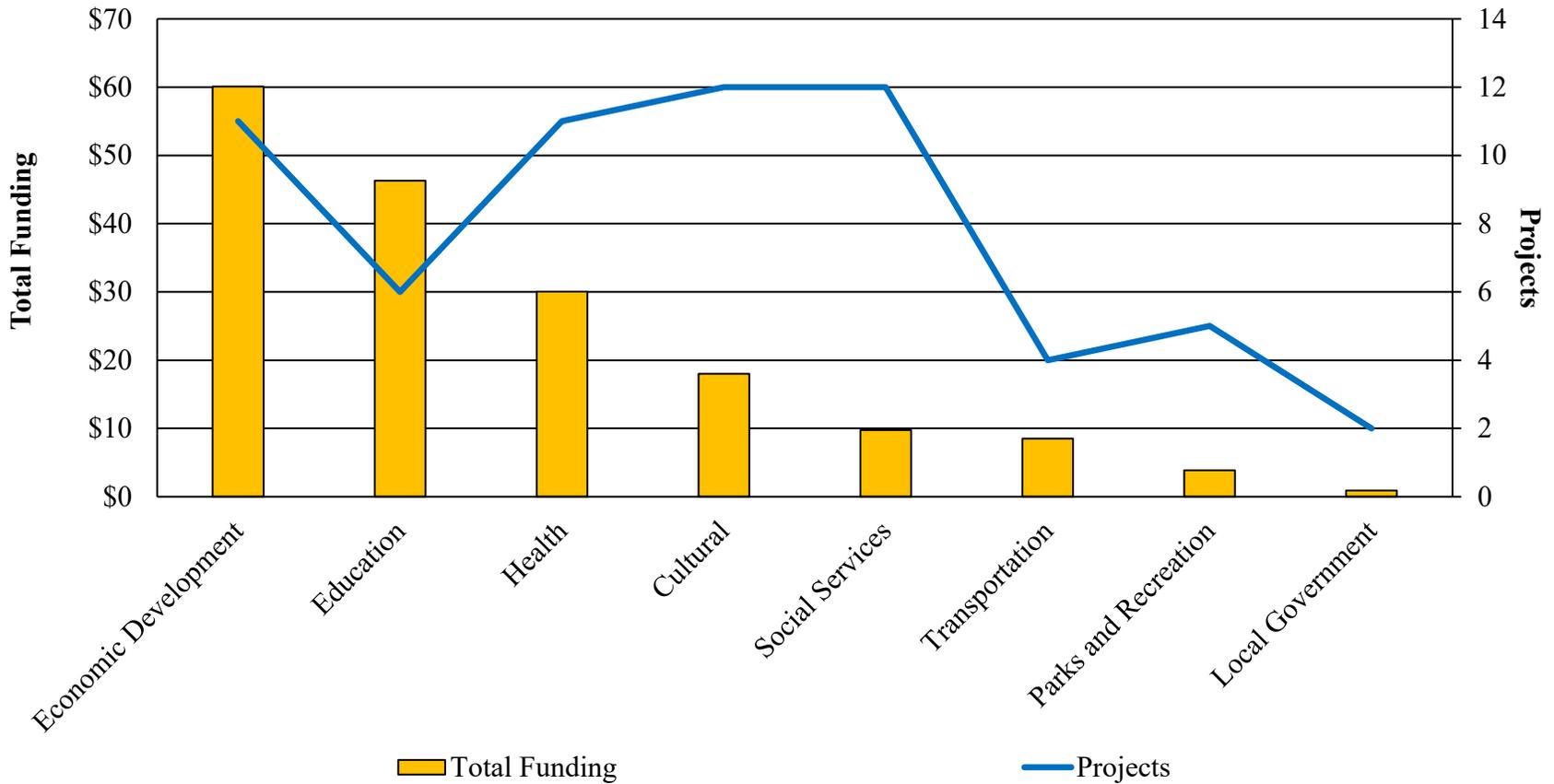
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Source: Department of Budget and Management

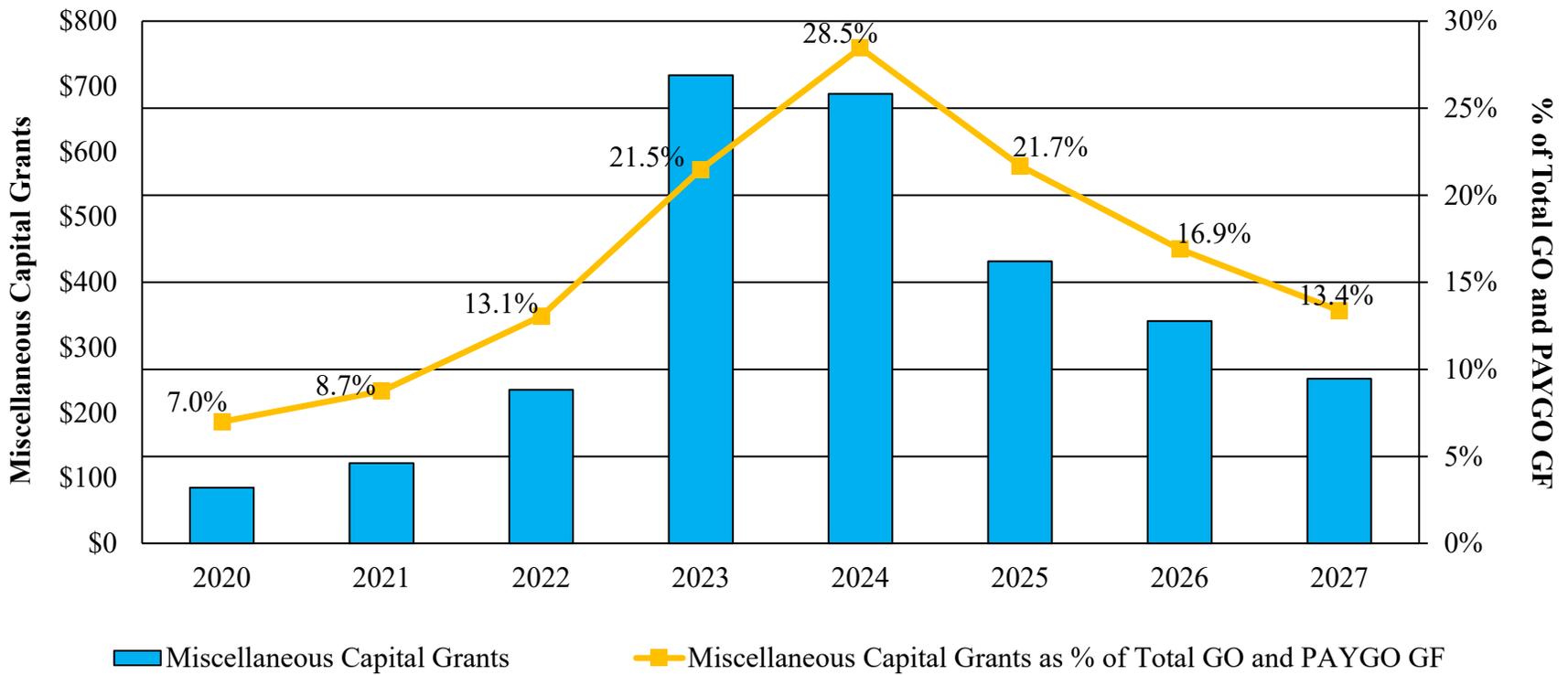
Exhibit 2
Miscellaneous Grants by Category
 (\$ in Millions)



Note: Figures do not include \$75 million of general obligation bond funds set aside to fund legislative priorities.

Source: Department of Budget and Management

Exhibit 3
Miscellaneous Grants Funding History
Fiscal 2021-2027
(\$ in Millions)



GF: general fund
GO: general obligation
PAYGO: pay-as-you-go

Source: Department of Budget and Management

Summary of Grants – Multi-year Capital Improvement Program Commitments

Historic Annapolis Restoration

Recommendation: Approve Funding

Project Description: Historic Annapolis, Inc. manages and maintains 12 State-owned historic properties in Annapolis through a master lease agreement with the Department of General Services (DGS). The fiscal 2027 proposed authorization will complete the restoration of the James Brice House to its original 1774 appearance. The property is designated a National Historic Landmark.

(\$ in Millions)

Fund Use	Prior Approp.	Fiscal 2027 Request	Future Estimated	Estimated Total
Planning	\$3.784	\$0.100	\$0.000	\$3.884
Construction	19.606	2.900	0.000	22.506
Total	\$23.390	\$3.000	\$0.000	\$26.390

Fund Sources				
State: 86.1%	\$19.725	\$3.000	\$0.000	\$22.725
Matching Fund: 13.9%	3.665	0.000	0.000	3.665
Total	\$23.390	\$3.000	\$0.000	\$26.390

Comments: The fiscal 2027 proposed appropriation of \$3.0 million is equal to the amount planned in the 2025 CIP and will complete the James Brice House restoration as follows: installation of modern mechanical systems; masonry and carpentry work; Americans with Disabilities Act access; installation of communication and security systems; and floor restoration. Final finishes such as completing interior and exterior finishing work, which are to be completed through October 2028, will be funded through private donations. The 2026 CIP programs \$1.0 million annually in fiscal 2028 through 2031 to address capital improvements and roof repairs at other historic properties, including the Hogshead Building, One Martin Street, the John Shaw House, and the William Paca House.

The restoration of the James Brice House has been ongoing since calendar 2016 to address structural and building envelop deficiencies, install new building systems, and protect historic features of the home that are deteriorating and in critical need of restoration. Once the restoration is complete, the house will be opened to the public for the first time in its history. The current plan is for the house to partially open in calendar 2027 for basic interpretation hard hat tours, with full opening after construction ends in October 2028. The total cost of the James Brice House renovation is estimated at \$26.4 million – \$22.7 million in State funding and \$3.7 million in matching funding – which has not changed since last year’s analysis. The total \$3.7 million of non-State matching funds is as follows: Historic Annapolis private funding (\$3.4 million) and fiscal 2016 State GO bond funding (\$0.3 million).

Maryland Zoo in Baltimore – Recommendation: Approve Funding Infrastructure and Habitat Improvements Program

Project Description: Fiscal 2027 proposed funding totaling \$4.75 million will support the planning and construction of improvements to the aging infrastructure at the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore City. The 2026 CIP programs an additional \$4.75 million annually throughout the forecast period from fiscal 2028 to 2031. The Maryland Zoo was created by an Act of the Maryland General Assembly on April 7, 1876, and is the third-oldest zoo in the country, welcoming 382,363 visitors in fiscal 2025. It occupies a 135-plus acre parcel in Baltimore City in Druid Hill Park, of which at least 45 acres are developed. In addition to State capital funding, the zoo receives an annual operating grant that is budgeted through the Board of Public Works, a portion of which can be applied to capital projects that do not qualify for GO bond funds. In fiscal 2027, this operating grant totals \$5.63 million.

(\$ in Millions)

Fund Uses	Prior Approp.	Fiscal 2027 Request	Future Estimated	Estimated Total
Planning/ Construction	\$17.112	\$6.050	\$7.450	\$30.812
Total	\$17.642	\$6.050	\$7.450	\$30.812

Fund Sources				
State: 91.9%	\$17.112	\$4.750	\$6.450	\$28.312
Matching Fund: 8.1%	0.530	1.300	1.000	2.500
Total	\$17.642	\$6.050	\$7.450	\$30.812

Note: Prior appropriations reflect funding only for the work associated with the projects funded in fiscal 2027.

Comments: The fiscal 2027 authorization is consistent with the amount programmed in the 2025 CIP for fiscal 2027. The fiscal 2027 authorization will fund three habitat/attraction improvements (\$3.8 million) and basic infrastructure improvements (\$1.0 million). The fiscal 2027 projects are as follows:

- **\$2.8 Million to Construct a New Gibbon Habitat:** A new habitat will be constructed near the main entrance. The total cost originally was estimated to be \$6.8 million but is now estimated to be approximately \$8.3 million. The State provided \$0.2 million for design in fiscal 2024, \$0.2 million was reallocated from a previously approved project in fiscal 2025, and \$0.9 million was authorized for construction in fiscal 2026. The zoo anticipates requesting an additional \$3.3 million in State funds in fiscal 2028, which when combined with \$1.0 million in pledged private donations, will complete construction in fiscal 2028.

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- ***\$1.0 Million to Address Regulatory Deficiencies:*** The zoo will use fiscal 2027 funding for both planning and construction to address deficiencies identified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Association of Zoos and Aquariums inspectors, and zoo staff. The wooden structure boardwalk in the Maryland Wilderness section of the zoo, including the Marsh Aviary, will be replaced with more durable material to address safety issues identified by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums during a recent accreditation inspection. To address the lack of climate-controlled venues, the open-air Picnic Pavillion will be converted into an air-conditioned facility for guests and will include two nursing pods for mothers.
- ***\$0.5 Million to Construct a New Red Panda Habitat:*** A new habitat will be constructed for the red panda, which is an endangered species, to advance the zoo’s conservation mission with plans to open the new exhibit to the public in the first half of calendar 2026. The total cost of the project originally was estimated to be \$3.3 million, of which the State’s share was \$2.8 million, or 84%. However, construction bids received on February 19, 2025, ranged from \$4.7 million to \$5.0 million. The total project cost reported in last year’s analysis was approximately \$5.3 million. Since then, the project cost has increased slightly to \$5.5 million, of which the State’s share is \$4.0 million, or 73%. The fiscal 2027 funding will be used to complete construction.
- ***\$0.5 Million to Construct a New Eagle and Owl Flight Cage Exhibit:*** Continued construction of a new eagle and owl flight cage exhibit in the Maryland Wilderness section will improve conditions for the bald eagle and snowy owl. Since fiscal 2024, the State has provided \$1.7 million for the exhibit, which is anticipated to start construction in September 2026.

National Aquarium in Baltimore Recommendation: Approve Funding Infrastructure Improvements

Project Description: Fiscal 2027 proposed funding will help address the causes of two emergency closures in fall 2025, begin replacing the conveyance systems (*i.e.*, elevators, escalators, and moving walkways), replace a damaged concrete water tank, and construct public safety and lighting improvements. As of the 2026 session, the National Aquarium’s CIP estimated \$120.0 million of capital needs at the facility over the next eight years. Since its opening in 1981, the National Aquarium has been one of the largest tourist attractions in Maryland, welcoming over 60 million visitors. The State of Maryland has been the largest source of capital support for the National Aquarium.

(\$ in Millions)

Fund Uses	Prior Approp.	Fiscal 2027 Request	Future Estimated	Estimated Total
Construction	\$19.250	\$4.000	\$10.000	\$33.250
Total	\$19.250	\$4.000	\$10.000	\$33.250

Fund Sources				
State: 100%	\$19.250	\$4.000	\$10.000	\$33.250
Total	\$19.250	\$4.000	\$10.000	\$33.250

Comments: The fiscal 2027 funding of \$4.0 million is \$3.0 million more than the amount programmed in the 2025 CIP for fiscal 2027 to address aging conveyances and emergencies. The emergencies consisted of an electrical failure that affected water pumps and caused flooding in September 2025 and a power outage caused by a valve leaking water onto an electrical bus in October 2025. The fiscal 2027 funding breakdown is as follows:

- Pier 3 Pump Room Drains and Sanitary Line Replacement –\$1,000,000;
- Pier 3 Electrical System Improvements – \$1,000,000;
- Conveyance Modernization – \$600,000;
- Pier 3 Public Safety Improvements – \$400,000;
- Shark Alley Lighting Replacement – \$500,000, but may be deferred for Pier 3 needs; and
- Replace Migrating Concrete Tank with Fiberglass – \$500,000 but may be deferred for Pier 3 needs.

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The 2025 CIP planned \$3.0 million annually for fiscal 2028 through 2030. The 2026 CIP reduces the amount planned for fiscal 2028 by \$2.0 million to reflect the forward-funding programmed for fiscal 2027 but otherwise keeps the \$3.0 million annual funding level for fiscal 2028 and beyond intact. The National Aquarium anticipates drawing down the State \$2.3 million fiscal 2025 and \$1.5 million fiscal 2026 on critical infrastructure projects in fiscal 2026.

The National Aquarium's priority needs for fiscal 2026 through 2033 total approximately \$120 million. The most pressing needs are a \$5.0 million project to replace failing conveyance systems, construct lighting and other Pier 3 safety improvements, and replace the deteriorating concrete tank in the Migrating exhibit with a fiberglass tank. The National Aquarium will apply any unused funds to address the Pier 3 emergency closures. Without continued State support, the National Aquarium has warned of an unsustainable accumulation of critical capital needs that will adversely impact their ability to attract visitors and generate economic impact.

Exhibit 4
Approved Funding or Approved with Other Technical Amendments
Fiscal 2027

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Fiscal 2027 Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
Allegany County Historical Society – New History Discovery Center	Allegany	\$355,000	This project will repurpose the oldest standing public building in Cumberland to include a space for the Allegany County Historical Society to conduct work and research. Additionally, the project will include the construction of a kitchen to serve as a location for local residents to gain access to nutritional meals. The total project cost is estimated to be \$560,000. Of this amount, \$358,000 reflects State funding: \$3,000 in fiscal 2025 from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and \$355,000 in general obligation (GO) bonds requested for fiscal 2027. The design period is expected to last two months beginning in September 2026, with construction expected to begin in February 2027 and be completed by June 2027. State Share: 63.9%
Ascension Saint Agnes – Family Birthing Center	Baltimore City	500,000	This project creates a new Family Birthing Center to improve Maternal Child Health outcomes by renovating spaces to include new labor and delivery rooms, improved security, and a dedicated space for prenatal testing and patient education. The total project cost is \$47.1 million. The project received \$1.9 million in fiscal 2026 through the Maryland Hospital Association (MHA). The proposed fiscal 2027 capital funding is \$500,000. State Share: 6.7%. Since this project received funding from MHA last year, the hospital should explain why funds are not being requested through MHA this year and why they are requesting funds outside of the MHA hospital review process.

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Ashley Addiction Treatment – Infrastructure Improvements	Harford	250,000	This project replaces and upgrades aging residential heat pump systems at Ashley Addiction Treatment, a nonprofit inpatient treatment facility. The upgrades at the Noble Hall facility are necessary to replace aging heating and cooling systems for residents and improve energy efficiency of the building. The fiscal 2027 request includes \$250,000 in State funds to reimburse the center for the entire project cost. The project is ongoing and, to date, the center has expended \$89,100 in non-State funds. This project has not received any prior State funds. State Share: 100.0%
Baltimore Museum of Industry (BMI) – New Key Bridge Exhibit	Baltimore City	250,000	This project will design, construct, and install two new exhibits about the Francis Scott Key Bridge (Key Bridge) and the Port of Baltimore at BMI, which are planned to open in March 2027. As part of these two new exhibitions, the project will also include a permanent outdoor installation, incorporating salvaged steel from the Key Bridge, student curriculum, public programming, and the preservation of original materials and oral histories. State funding will be used to support exhibition fabrication and installation, including targeted renovations and site improvements that will improve the space layout of BMI and facilitate the installation of the new exhibits. The estimated total project cost is \$1.7 million. State Share: 14.8%
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra	Baltimore City	1,000,000	This project will modernize the back-of-house facilities at the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, including renovating administrative offices, storage areas, and practice spaces and developing a new recital hall as well as mechanical, electrical, and plumbing upgrades. This project previously received \$1.8 million in the 2022 session, \$750,000 in the 2023 session, \$500,000 in the 2024 session, and \$750,000 in the 2025 session. The total estimated cost of the project is \$10.7 million. Of the \$5.9 million in non-State funds, \$2.9 million has been received, while \$3 million is projected to come from future fundraising efforts. The 2025 capital budget bill included a \$1.5 million preauthorization for fiscal 2027, though only \$1 million is included in the capital budget as introduced. State Share: 44.9%

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Banneker-Douglass-Tubman Museum Renovation	Anne Arundel	1,000,000	This project will modernize the museum’s permanent exhibition to integrate new technology and update the exhibit to include Black women’s history, Black social justice movements, and African diasporic history in the State. Additionally, this project will update museum signage and upgrade the museum’s audio-visual system. While this is a new project, the Banneker-Douglass-Tubman Museum previously received \$175,000 in the 2021 session and \$3 million in the 2022 session for improvements to the museum. The total project cost of \$1 million is solely provided by the State. State Share: 100.0%
Benedictine School for Exceptional Children New Residential Facilities	Caroline	1,000,000	This project will replace the school’s existing residential facilities, which were built in 1965, with new facilities to accommodate 49 students with development disabilities and autism as well as their support staff. The facility will also include new spaces for dining, recreation, family meetings, and an updated infirmary. In prior fiscal years, this project received a total of \$5.8 million in State funds. In fiscal 2027, the Benedictine School is requesting an additional \$1.0 million in State funds to complete construction. The estimated total project cost is \$13.5 million, of which \$11.9 million supports construction. State Share: 50.3%
Brook Lane Infrastructure Improvements	Washington County	500,000	This project constructs infrastructure improvements at the Brook Lane Behavioral Health Facility in Hagerstown. The project includes replacing three elevators serving the hospital and Laurel Hall School buildings, replacing aging sprinkler systems, and replacing and relocating the generator serving the facility’s water treatment plant. These systems have reached the end of their useful life, and the improvements are intended to maintain patient safety, fire protection, and reliable facility operations. The project is part of a broader capital improvement initiative estimated at approximately \$3.0 million and will be supported with both State and institutional funds. State Share: 16.3%

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Catholic Charities – Intergenerational Center	Baltimore City	1,000,000	This project is to develop Catholic Charities’ Fugett Intergenerational Initiative aimed at breaking the cycle of intergenerational poverty in West Baltimore by providing educational and holistic family support, recreation and youth development, and intergenerational engagement. This project focuses on early childhood education by housing Head Start and Early Head Start classrooms in addition to providing skills training and job placement support for young adults. The total project cost is \$36.7 million. This project received \$2.0 million in fiscal 2023, \$2.5 million in fiscal 2024, \$500,000 in fiscal 2025, and \$2.0 million in fiscal 2026. The proposed fiscal 2027 capital funding is \$1.0 million. State Share: 21.8%
Central Baltimore Partnership – North Avenue Market Redevelopment	Baltimore City	500,000	This project will redevelop the North Avenue Market in Baltimore City to serve as a location for arts organizations and small businesses. The redevelopment of the 100,000 square-foot (SF) facility will preserve the historic market while also assisting in a larger effort to redevelop the neighborhood. The design period began in June 2025 and is expected to last until April 2026. Construction is expected to begin in July 2026 and will last until July 2027. Total project costs are estimated to be \$35.3 million, with State funds consisting of \$12.6 million in GO bonds. In fiscal 2027, State funding totals \$8.6 million and comes multiple sources: \$4.7 million from the State Historic Tax Credit; \$3.4 million from loans and grants from DHCD; and \$500,000 in GO bonds. State Share: 35.3%
Charles E. Smith Life Communities – Ring House Renovation	Montgomery	800,000	This project will renovate the Ring House to preserve affordable apartments for low-income seniors and update units for older adults who can no longer afford the region’s market rate for senior housing. An architect was selected in February 2025; however, the design stage is not expected to begin until April 2026. Construction is expected to begin in June 2026, with the project expected to be completed in late calendar 2027. Total project cost is estimated to be \$25.4 million; State funding totals \$800,000 in GO bonds. State Share: 3.1%

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City of Annapolis – Housing Authority Properties Improvements	Anne Arundel	500,000	This project between the City of Annapolis and the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA) is to ensure public housing remains habitable and revenue that sustains HACA is preserved. Project funds go toward maintenance expenses required by HACA and include paying contractors, purchasing supplies, and any other maintenance expenses. The total estimated cost of the project is \$1.0 million, with State funding comprising \$500,000, while the remainder is provided by the City of Annapolis. State funds may be used for this project; however, only for capital related expenses. State Share: 50.0%
Diakonia, Inc. – New Supportive Housing	Worcester	700,000	This project supports planning, design, construction, site improvements, and capital equipping of a Veteran Support and Outreach services center, a food pantry and a thrift store – providing an all-inclusive campus to individuals, families, and veterans who are at risk of homelessness. The project has previously received \$150,000 in State funds. Diakonia anticipates future State funding requests to support the second phase of the project, which will include construction of affordable supportive housing units, including 14 units dedicated to veteran families. State Share: 11.6%
Downtown Frederick Hotel and Conference Center	Frederick	5,500,000	A grant to the City of Frederick to support acquiring, planning, constructing, and equipping a new full-service, upscale downtown hotel and conference center. The hotel and conference center includes a full-service restaurant, rooftop lounge, street front retail space. State funds support the 26,100 SF conference center and a 253-space parking garage. The project plan includes an expectation of \$23 million in State funding, and \$17.5 million has previously been approved for this project. Approval of this year’s funding request is proposed to be the last State grant. The developer is responsible for \$76.5 million in private debt and equity. The city and county provide \$4.5 million for property acquisition. State Share: 22.1%.

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Fello, Inc. – New Easton Crossing Development	Talbot	2,000,000	This project supports site demolition, environmental remediation, and construction of infrastructure including utilities, stormwater drainage, and roadways to prepare for construction of a new mixed-use development on a former industrial site in Easton. Upon completion, the new development will include 117 mixed-income rental units, more than 20,000 SF of commercial space, and 1.5 acres of community green space. The total estimated cost of the project is \$53.3 million, of which \$50.8 million is from private funds. This project also received \$500,000 from DHCD’s Strategic Demolition Fund. Fello, Inc. plans to request additional funding for future stages of the project, which may increase the State share, but it has not indicated when or how much it intends to request. Future stages may be eligible for additional funds from DHCD. State Share: 4.7%
Garrett College – Intercollegiate Athletics Facilities Expansion	Garrett	307,000	This project will construct an athletics conference room, two coaches’ offices, and a main entrance at the college’s athletics facility. This project only requires one-time funding from the State, as the county and college are funding the rest. Construction is expected to conclude in November 2026. State Share: 80.2%
Glen Echo Park Spanish Ballroom Renovation	Montgomery	1,000,000	This project includes the design and construction of improvements for the historic Spanish ballroom at Glen Echo Park. This is a federal property owned by the National Park Service (NPS) and jointly managed by NPS and Montgomery County. Design is expected to begin in September 2026, with construction expected to begin in September 2027 and last until March 2029. Total project cost is estimated to be \$10.6 million, with \$2.5 million in GO bonds being provided by the State; \$1.5 million was authorized in fiscal 2026. Non-State project funds will be provided by NPS, Montgomery County, and private donations. Although only \$2.5 million in State funding is currently planned, and the fiscal 2027 capital budget bill does not include any preauthorizations for the project, it is noted in the

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			project’s information that a \$500,000 preauthorization for fiscal 2028 would be requested. In the event this preauthorization is requested, State funding would increase to \$3.0 million. State Share: 23.5%
Harriet Elizabeth Brown Statue	Calvert	250,000	This project will design, acquire, and install a statue of Harriet Elizabeth Brown on Main Street in Prince Frederick. Harriet Elizabeth Brown was a Black schoolteacher in Calvert County whose 1937 lawsuit resulted in equal pay for teachers in the county regardless of race and led to legislation that equalized pay across the State in 1939. Land for the statue is being provided by Calvert County. State Share: 100.0%
It Takes a Village to Help Our Children – New Village Youth Center Project	Somerset	495,000	This project will develop a new 8,495 SF Village Youth Center, providing a multipurpose room, kitchen, classrooms, offices, and restrooms to support more than 200 at-risk youth in Somerset County. The previous center was irreparably damaged by Hurricane Sandy in 2012, and the new facility is being built from scratch on land donated by the City of Crisfield and Somerset County. Construction began in January 2024 and is projected to be completed in September 2026. This project previously received \$1 million in the 2023 session. State Share: 47.2%
John Hopkins Hospital – Pediatric Emergency Department Psychiatric Unit Expansion	Baltimore City	300,000	This project renovates the behavioral health/psychiatry unit in the pediatric emergency department to improve pediatric mental health capacity and safety for patients by adding a fourth psychiatric bed and modifying all psychiatric rooms to support the installation of an interactive media wall equipped with a touch screen to offer patients the ability to have personalized lighting, music, video, and photos shared in the room. The total project cost is \$1.2 million. The project received \$172,000 in

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			fiscal 2026 through MHA and was preauthorized to receive \$650,000 in fiscal 2027. The proposed fiscal 2027 capital funding includes \$300,000. State Share: 40.2%
Johns Hopkins University – Data Science and Computing Infrastructure	Baltimore City	5,000,000	This project constructs the Johns Hopkins Modular Data Center that will securely house, power, and cool top-of-the-line systems. The center will use advanced liquid cooling to remove heat directly at the processor, reducing energy waste and enabling higher compute density. Unlike a traditional data center with a fixed brick and mortar structure, the modular data center is prefabricated in a steel enclosure and allows housing more servers in the same footprint. State Share: 10.7%
Kennedy Krieger – Innovative Care Center	Baltimore City	3,000,000	This project includes construction of a 200,000 SF hospital center to meet the growing demand for inpatient pediatric care and rehabilitation. Current facilities are outdated and do not have sufficient space to meet patient needs, such as therapeutic equipment and space for parents and families of patients. The project will double the hospital’s capacity to provide intensive in-patient and day hospital neurorehabilitation and support the patients’ complex medical needs through specially designed clinical and nonclinical spaces. The project will integrate transitional therapy spaces and living quarters into the Innovative Care Center. Including prior authorized and future planned funding, the total State share is estimated to total \$55.0 million, or 24.4% of total project cost. State Share: 24.4%
LifeBridge Health – Sinai Hospital Surgery Center Renovation	Baltimore City	2,000,000	This project renovates the Weinberg Pavilion surgical suite to modernize operating rooms and procedure areas, addressing inefficient layouts and insufficient capacity to support access to complex, high-acuity surgical care. The project has not received funds in prior sessions. The total project cost is \$30.0 million. The proposed fiscal 2027 capital funding of \$2.0 million. State Share: 6.7%.

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Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center – New Obstetrical Care Tower	Prince George’s	10,000,000	This project will build a new obstetrical care tower to improve the hospital’s delivery of women’s health services. The project will include campus infrastructure upgrades, modernization of core clinical areas, and relocation of the loading dock and pharmacy. The total project cost is \$239 million. The fiscal 2027 request totals \$89.8 million, including \$10 million in State funds, the full amount of which was preauthorized in the fiscal 2026 capital budget bill. Prior authorization for the project includes \$45 million in State funds. Design began February 1, 2025, and is projected to be completed in August 2026. Construction began March 28, 2025, and is projected to be completed by January 2029. Luminis indicates that it intends to request an additional \$40 million in State funds in future years for this project, for a total State share of \$95 million (39.7%). State Share: 23.0%
Mount Vernon Place Conservancy – North and South Squares Revitalization	Baltimore City	500,000	This project restores the North and South squares of Mount Vernon Place. This is the second phase of a three-part project. Phase 1 restored the Washington Monument in calendar 2015. Mount Vernon Place is open and free to the public and hosts various programs, including the Summer in the Square music program, Flower Mart, and Monument Lighting. This project will restore the historic elements of the squares while making them suitable for current use and needs. Funding will be used for various restorations, including replacement of existing asphalt streets with brick or other historic paving, installation of new power and water supplies and drainage within sidewalk and park areas, reinstallation of historic street and park fixtures, repair and restoration of fountains, fountain sculptures and plumbing, and replacement of soils with engineered soils that resist compaction and encourage rainwater absorption. State Share: 48.2%
Mt. Royal Elementary/Middle	Baltimore City	500,000	This project will redesign and renovate the outdoor play space at Mt. Royal Elementary and Middle School to address safety hazards, install shade

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School – New Outdoor Play Area			structures, and improve accessibility. The total project will cost \$3.0 million, \$500,000 of which is State funds that will be used for the design and engineering phase in fiscal 2027. The grant recipient, Friends of Mt. Royal Inc., is a nonprofit and is not eligible to receive funds from Program Open Space or the Department of Natural Resource’s Community Parks and Playgrounds program. If Baltimore City was named as the grantee, the project would be eligible for a wider range of funding options. State Share: 16.7%
New Somerset County Emergency Medical Services Facility	Somerset	500,000	This project will renovate the existing Somerset County Emergency Medical Services facility to include housing for 28 paramedics and 3 administrative staff, 7 ambulance/support vehicle bays, administrative offices, and equipment storage areas. This project will upgrade the existing parking lot and all major utilities for the facility. The project’s design is currently in progress and is expected to be completed by April 2026. The project construction is anticipated to begin by May 2026 and be completed by November 2026. The estimated total project cost is \$1.6 million. The project expects to receive the remaining funding of \$1.1 million from Somerset County. State Share: 32.3%
North East Housing Initiative – New Community Land Trust Homes	Statewide	500,000	This project involves the planning, design, construction, and rehabilitation of 10 single-family homes across Maryland. Total project cost is estimated to be \$1.0 million to rehabilitate 10 sites across the State. Funding from the State consists of \$500,000 in fiscal 2027, with \$250,000 in non-State funds being provided; non-State funds have been provided by the Weinberg Foundation and the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development. The design period is expected to begin in June 2026, with construction beginning in October 2026 and expected to last until October 2027. State Share: 50.0%

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Olney Satellite Police Station and Community Facility	Montgomery	1,000,000	This project will construct a permanent satellite police station for the Montgomery County Police Department on a site where a portable trailer is currently located and used for that purpose. Montgomery County currently leases the trailer from the Olney Chamber of Commerce, Inc. The county also has a ground lease agreement with a private owner. Design of the project is ongoing, and construction could begin as early as January 2027. Though the project name references a community facility, the project scope has been adjusted to only include the police station. State funding was provided in fiscal 2022 (\$175,000) and fiscal 2023 (\$1.0 million). State Share: 50.9%
Pascal Crisis Services – HVAC System Replacement	Anne Arundel	100,000	This funding will support the replacement of 11 window HVAC/heat units with a fully operational HVAC system for the third floor of the Pascal Crisis Stabilization Center, reducing energy costs and providing a balanced environmental and healthier system for residents. This funding will pay for design and installation. Pascal serves people over the age of 18 in need of mental health and substance use treatment, including the indigent and disadvantaged. State Share: 72.0%
Pikesville Armory Foundation – Pikesville Armory Renovation	Baltimore	1,500,000	This project will redevelop the Pikesville Armory into a multi-use community hub for recreation, cultural arts, and learning. This includes outdoor athletic fields, indoor multipurpose courts, walking trails, performance space, art studios, a senior center, a maker space, a Boys & Girls club, and a community gathering space. The total project cost is estimated at \$95 million, and a total of \$17 million in GO bond funding was previously authorized for the project. The fiscal 2027 request includes a total of \$19.0 million for the project, including \$1.5 million in GO bonds and \$17.5 million in non-State funds. The fiscal 2027 request of \$1.5 million is \$1.5 million higher than previously estimated State funds in the 2025 session. The fiscal 2026 capital budget bill preauthorized

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			\$3 million for fiscal 2027. The project expects to receive the remaining non-State funds of \$76.5 million from a broad array of public and private sources. Of the \$76.5 million, the project receives \$15 million from the DHCD Catalytic Tax Credit and \$3.2 million from the Historic Tax Credit, which are incorrectly categorized as public sources instead of State funds. State Share: 37.1%
Revolutionary VP – New Production Studio	Prince George’s	3,000,000	This project is to build out a 30,000 SF visual production studio for Revolutionary VP in Laurel. Revolutionary VP signed a 15-year lease in August 2025 and plans to begin buildout of the facility in March 2026. The total estimated project cost is \$15 million. In addition to the requested \$3 million in State funds, the project also received \$3.5 million from Prince George’s County, and Revolutionary VP is contributing \$8.5 million. State Share: 20.0%
Roca Baltimore – Infrastructure Improvements	Baltimore City	100,000	This project is for the purchase and renovation of Roca Baltimore’s facility, as current needs exceed the capacity of the current space. Roca is a youth organization with the mission of addressing trauma and urban violence. Currently, the project is entering its final phase, which includes upgrades to the facility’s garage. The estimated total cost of the project is \$4.4 million, of which State funds comprise \$600,000; the State previously provided \$500,000 to the project; however, these funds are from an unidentified source. Non-State funds comprise \$3.8 million. State Share: 13.5%
St. Michaels Community Center, Inc. – New Community Center	Talbot	800,000	This project will add an additional 6,000 SF building to the St. Michaels Community Center. The new building will include a youth lounge, additional program space for teens, a laundromat, and a thrift store. Construction began in February 2026 and is expected to be completed in October 2026. The estimated total cost of the project is \$2 million, with \$1.2 million coming from private donations. State Share: 40.0%

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Suburban Hospital – Emergency Department Expansion	Montgomery	1,000,000	This project will expand and modernize the Emergency Department at Suburban Hospital by enlarging treatment areas, improving monitoring capability, increasing patient privacy, enhancing infection prevention, and upgrading mechanical and medical gas systems. The project will add 19 treatment areas, increasing capacity from 59 to 78 treatment areas. The project is currently in the design phase, with construction scheduled to begin in calendar 2027. In addition, the project is largely supported by non-State funding sources, including approximately \$75.5 million from philanthropy and hospital operating reserves. The requested State funds represent a small portion of the total project cost. State Share: 1.3%
Thirty-Five Ventures – Silver Hill Redevelopment	Prince George’s	8,500,000	This project includes acquisition, design, demolition, and redevelopment of approximately 12 acres of vacant land and underutilized retail space into a mixed-use community centered around education, athletics, entrepreneurship, workforce development and family wellbeing. This three-phased project is being led by Thirty-Five Ventures, of which the Durant Family Charitable foundation is a part of. The first phase of the project includes construction of medical and nonprofit office space, a four-level parking garage, and urban park. Phase 2 will create market-rate housing, affordable housing, sports courts, and an urban plaza. The total project cost is estimated at \$310.1 million. Including future planned funding, the total State Share is estimated at 9.7%, or \$30.0 million, of the total project cost. State Share: 9.7%
University of Maryland Enterprise Corporation – Capital of Quantum Initiative	Prince George’s	10,000,000	Emerging and growth-stage quantum companies struggle to find adequate space due to laboratories requiring significant environmental controls, specialized infrastructure, and safety systems. Companies can face high costs and long delays retrofitting standard buildings, thereby limiting growth potential. Funding will be used to modernize shared spaces, including reconfiguring lobbies, Americans with Disabilities Act

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Westport Capital Development – Kloman Street Relocation	Baltimore City	1,000,000	<p>improvements, exterior treatments to create a welcoming accessible environment, upgrading or replacing critical building systems, funding tenant improvements for companies moving to the Discovery District, such as building out of a mix of office and specialized laboratory space, and equipping spaces with advance quantum instruments. The General Assembly added \$10.0 million to the fiscal 2026 capital budget to the University of Maryland Enterprise Corporation for this project, and the allowance adds an additional \$10.0 million in general funds to continue this project. State Share: 100.0%</p> <p>The project includes the reconstruction and reconfiguration of Kloman Street between Waterview and Clare streets, including realignment of the portion located between the Maryland Transit Administration light rail and CSX freight rail tracks. The current alignment does not safely accommodate pedestrian and vehicular traffic. This project is necessary for the One Westport redevelopment of a 43-acre parcel of land in the Westport neighborhood of Baltimore City as part of a transit-oriented development project led by Stonewall Capital, a private development firm, and construction began in October 2024. The total project cost is estimated at \$16.5 million; \$4.0 million in general funds were previously authorized for the project in fiscal 2023; and \$1.0 million in GO bonds in fiscal 2026. Including prior authorized and future-planned funding, the total State share is 48.5%, or \$8.0 million, of the total project cost. Language in the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan (MCCBL) of 2024 preauthorized \$2.0 million in GO bond funding for this project in fiscal 2026 and 2027. Still, only \$1,000,000 was proposed in the MCCBLs of 2025 and 2026. State Share: 48.5%</p>

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Westminster Fiber Project	Carroll	1,000,000	This project provides broadband services in the city of Westminster and is the first and only communitywide, publicly owned fiber network in the mid-Atlantic region. This project was completed in fiscal 2018, and proposed fiscal 2027 funding will be utilized to cover local bond payments. This project previously received \$1 million in each of the 2023, 2024, and 2025 sessions. The 2025 capital budget bill included a \$1 million preauthorization for fiscal 2027. In the 2025 session, the Department of Legislative Services recommended that the city use funding provided for the construction of new projects to align funding more appropriately with the allowable usage of GO bonds. State Share: 29.1%

Source: Department of Legislative Services

Exhibit 5
Recommendations to Reduce or Delete Funding
Fiscal 2027

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Fiscal 2027 Amount</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
American Legion Post 47 Renovation	Harford	\$150,000	This project includes the replacement of climate control systems in the facility, as no current system to heat or cool the facility operates. The design stage for this project is expected to begin in July 2026, with construction expected to start in September 2026 and last until January 2027. The total project cost is estimated at \$170,000, with general obligation (GO) bonds comprising \$150,000 of the project’s total and only being authorized in fiscal 2027. Non-State funds consist of \$20,000 in the form of a bank loan; no other financial assistance is provided. Harford County has not made a commitment to fund this project. State Share: 88.2%	Reduce the GO bond authorization for the American Legion Post 47 Renovation project by \$50,000.
Baltimore Museum of Art – Infrastructure Improvements	Baltimore City	750,000	This project supports replacing the museum’s accessible elevator’s mechanical systems, repairing a water-cooled chiller climate control system, and repairing stairs that were installed in 1939. The elevator and stair repairs are planned to improve safety and accessibility, and the climate control system repairs will ensure the protection of the museum’s collections. The estimated total project cost is \$950,000. The <i>Capital Improvement Program</i> (CIP) proposes GO bond funding of \$475,000 for the project in fiscal 2027, and the grantee expects to	Reduce GO bond funding to \$475,000 so that State support comprises no more than 50% of the total project cost.

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Bowie Mill Bike Trail	Montgomery	1,750,000	<p>expend \$200,000 in private donation funding on the project in fiscal 2028. The grantee anticipates construction beginning in September 2027 and lasting 18 months. State Share: 78.9%</p> <p>This project will construct 3.3 miles of a new 8- to 10-foot wide path for bicycles and pedestrians along Bowie Mill Road from Olney Laytonsville Road (MD108) to Muncaster Mill Road (MD115) and continues along Muncaster Mill Road to Needwood Road. The project also includes creation of a new pedestrian bridge over Rock Creek North Branch. The project will connect to several other existing trails along with the Shady Grove metro station, Sequoyah Elementary, Magruder High School, and Olney Town Center. Construction is not planned to commence until fiscal 2028, and \$2.1 million was preauthorized for fiscal 2027 in the fiscal 2026 capital budget bill, and \$1.75 million is included in the allowance. The total project cost is estimated at \$30.3 million, and it has previously received \$7.8 million in State funding. Including the proposed \$1.75 million, total State funding would be \$9.55 million. Although \$7.8 million of State funds have already been appropriated, only \$3.6 million is needed through the end of fiscal 2027. Additionally, highway user revenue (HUR) administered by the State Highway Administration (SHA) could be used to fund the remaining State Share of this project pertaining to bike path construction. State Share: 31.5%</p>	Delete \$1,750,000 in GO bond funds, as there are unexpended State funds that will satisfy the schedule of this project through fiscal 2027.

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City of Cambridge – Multiple Bridge Improvements	Dorchester	3,000,000	<p>This project supports improvements to five bridges in the City of Cambridge, Maryland that have been evaluated by a structural engineer and are in need of improvements in order to prevent further decline of their condition. These five bridges provide the sole pedestrian and vehicular access to residents and visitors of the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Golf Resort, Spa, and Marina and the surrounding residential community. Additional development of housing units will be supported by this project. The fiscal 2027 request includes \$3 million in State funds out of a total project cost of \$5.25 million, with the remainder of funds planned from the City of Cambridge, Hyatt, and the homeowner’s association for the residential community. Typically, road and bridge maintenance projects in municipalities are funded through the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) in either the SHA capital program, or through HUR capital grants to local jurisdictions. However, the maintenance of private roads and bridges are typically not an allowable usage of State funds except in certain circumstances. As this project is not related to a State or county highway and supports a road that is primarily for private usage, the State funding share for this project should be reduced.</p> <p>State Share: 54.1%</p>	<p>Reduce the GO bond authorization for the City of Cambridge – Multiple Bridge Improvements project by \$2,000,000.</p>

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Fiscal 2027 Amount</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
City of Frostburg – Water Sustainability Improvements	City of Frostburg	400,000	This project includes water system improvements, including technology and equipment upgrades of a pumping station, holding tank repair, well rehabilitation, and engineering and design of a new well and pumping station. The Water Sustainability Improvements project in the City of Frostburg includes technology and equipment upgrades at the Piney Reservoir pumping station, well rehabilitation at Savage Springs, repairs to the holding tank at the Frostburg Water Treatment Plant, and engineering and design for a new well and pumping station. The project is intended to improve system reliability and enhance the resilience of the regional water supply. The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) administers several programs, including the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund and the Water Supply Financial Assistance Program, which may be appropriate sources of financial assistance for this project. The total project costs \$528,000 and is scheduled to take place entirely in fiscal 2027. The project schedule appears to be misaligned due to the planning and construction phases starting at the same time. Delaying construction to fiscal 2028 would allow the city to pursue available loan and financial assistance opportunities through MDE. State funding for the project should be deleted. State Share: 68.4%	Delete the GO bond authorization for the City of Frostburg – Water Sustainability Improvements.

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Fiscal 2027 Amount</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park – Meyer Building Renovation	Anne Arundel	4,000,000	This project supports the planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Meyer Building. This project renovates the Meyer Building for the provision of housing, including housing for veterans facing housing challenges. The one-story building will be reused to provide affordable housing units, including permanent supportive housing units for veterans and households experiencing homelessness. The housing units will have income restrictions, keeping the units affordable. The design phase and construction period are both scheduled to begin in August 2026. Given that the construction is unlikely to begin without some progress in the design, the funding for this project is reduced to support the design phase only in fiscal 2027. State Share: 10.7%	Reduce GO bond funding to \$2.0 million for the Meyer Building Renovation.
Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park – Whiting Property Capital Improvements	Baltimore	1,000,000	This project includes transforming 215-acre area into a recreational area that includes a trail network. The project would create recreational areas across approximately 215 acres between Catonsville and Ellicott City. Planned improvements include a trail network, community gathering spaces, Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant facilities, and a mountain bike area. In fiscal 2026, the project received \$460,000, of which \$425,000 was provided by the State. For fiscal 2027, the project requests an additional \$1 million, all of which would be State funds. The requested fiscal 2027 funding is not	Delete the GO bond authorization for the Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park – Whiting Property.

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Hagerstown Regional Airport – New Control Tower	Washington	1,500,000	<p>anticipated to be spent until fiscal 2028. Given the limited county contribution to the project and the delayed spending schedule, State funding for the project should be deleted. State Share: 97.6%</p> <p>This project designs and constructs a new air traffic control tower at the airport. The total project cost is estimated at \$15.2 million to construct a new Air Traffic Control Tower at the Hagerstown Regional Airport. The current tower has obsolete equipment and insufficient height leading to obstructed views. The fiscal 2027 request includes \$1.5 million in GO bond funding for design. A total of \$0.12 million in special funds was previously authorized for this project through the Maryland Aviation Administration’s Regional Aviation Assistance Program. Hagerstown Regional Airport has also received \$40,000 in funding from Washington County for this project. The current funding plan has no significant funding sources outside of the State. Washington County has not made a commitment to fund this project outside of the previous \$40,000. State Share: 99.7%</p>	Reduce the GO bond funding for the Hagerstown Regional Airport – New Control Tower by \$750,000.
Jug Handle Connector	Howard	3,000,000	<p>This road project funding request is related to continuing construction of Symphony Woods Road Extension to Broken Land Parkway and onto U.S. Route 29, including concrete flatwork, paving, storm water management ponds, guardrails, signage, pavement markings, and lighting This provides better access for Downtown Columbia and the</p>	Delete the \$3.0 million authorization and recommend inclusion in SHA’s capital budget.

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Kingdom Care Center	Prince George's County	1,000,000	<p>Merriweather District. The estimated total project cost is \$30.7 million, and Howard County has received \$21.0 million from the State to date as a legislative priority of the Howard County Delegation through the capital budget process, outside the MDOT <i>Consolidated Transportation Program</i>. The project will need an additional \$1.0 million beyond the proposed fiscal 2027 authorization. SHA has the responsibility to maintain U.S. 29. There have been other capital projects relating to U.S. 29 in the capital budget in prior years; therefore, this project could be funded through SHA's capital budget instead of through the miscellaneous capital program. State Share: 78.0%</p> <p>This project includes the demolition and renovation of the Kingdom Care Center to modernize office spaces and upgrade electrical, HVAC, plumbing, and life safety and controls systems, as well as the building's exterior. The total project cost is estimated at \$16.6 million, and a total of \$13.3 million in GO bond funding was previously authorized for the project. Despite serving residents in Prince George's, Montgomery, and Howard counties, no funding from those counties has been provided for the project to date. Non-State funds consist of \$2 million of federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as well as \$301,000 of internal capital funds. A portion of this project should be supported through funding from the counties the center supports. State Share: 86.1%</p>	Delete the GO bond authorization for the Kingdom Care Center.

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Krimson Achievement Foundation	Prince George’s	250,000	This project includes the acquisition and development of a new community center to benefit the youth, elderly, and veterans. Total project cost is estimated to be \$900,000 to acquire a new community center in Prince George’s County. State funding consists of \$250,000 in fiscal 2027. The project previously received \$650,000 in fiscal 2024 and 2025 in State funds. Prince George’s County has not made a commitment to provide funds for this project. Currently, there is no established timeline for the acquisition of the facility. Additionally, no information has been provided on the development of the facility after acquisition has been completed. State Share: 100.0%	Delete the GO bond authorization for the Krimson Achievement Foundation project.
Calcined Clay Facility	Cecil	7,500,000	This project provides \$7.5 million in GO bond funding as a grant to the Maryland Economic Development Corporation to support facilities under construction by York Building Products. The planned facilities will produce high-purity quartz used in glass manufacturing and low-emissions materials used in the production of cement. The total projected cost of the project is \$76.0 million, with other funding from private sources not specified. Proposed State capital funding would be used to reimburse the grantee for expenses already incurred in proving the viability of the project. No additional State funding is included in the CIP, but information provided in support of the project indicates that the grantee plans to seek continued State support through other programs.	Reduce GO bond funding to \$3,750,000 due to the lack of a clear public purpose and the relatively low number of permanent jobs to be created.

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			Once completed, the project will support an estimated 45 permanent full-time jobs. At the proposed level of funding, The State cost per job is \$166,667. State Share: 9.9%	
MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital	Prince George's	8,000,000	This project designs and constructs a new 32-bed Advanced Critical Care Tower to improve patient care and operational efficiency. The fiscal 2027 budget authorizes \$8 million of State funds, which is \$2.0 million less than the amount preauthorized for the project last session for fiscal 2027. The State has already authorized \$11 million directly for the project; the fiscal 2026 capital budget also included \$1.5 million in miscellaneous capital funds for MedStar hospital infrastructure improvements, which MedStar indicates that it will use for the Southern Maryland Hospital Center. MedStar has indicated that it intends on requesting an additional \$14.5 million in State funds in future years for a total State contribution of \$35 million (37.3%). Construction is scheduled for July 1, 2027, and MedStar is currently in the process of procuring construction management services. The spending plan does not support the need for additional State funds in fiscal 2027; sufficient prior authorized State funds and other pledged funding sources are available to support projects expenditures in fiscal 2027 without additional State funds. State Share: 20.2%	Delete the GO bond authorization for the MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital.

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Parks and People – ReInvest Baltimore Green Space Infrastructure Improvements	Baltimore City	100,000	This project transforms vacant and postdemolition properties in Baltimore City into green spaces, parks and playgrounds. The Baltimore Green Space Infrastructure Improvements project uses public and private partnerships to develop demolished and vacant lots into community green spaces. Project funds would support personnel costs, including 3 staff members to develop public and private partnerships and manage ongoing projects. The project does not include costs related to acquisition, planning, construction or equipment. As it cannot be substantiated that State funding would be used for capital-eligible purposes, the State funding for the project should be deleted. State Share: 6.4%	Delete the GO bond authorization for the Parks and People – ReInvest Baltimore Green Space Infrastructure Improvements.
Ripken Stadium Renovation and Expansion	Harford	5,000,000	The stadium is renovated and expanded to add fields to host sports tournaments. Expansion plans include fields for soccer, lacrosse, and flag football. The stadium has received \$36 million in bond proceeds from the calendar 2025 Sports and Entertainment Facilities Revenue Bonds to renovate the stadium. These bonds support minor league stadiums throughout Maryland. The State has provided substantial funding for this project. Other minor league stadiums are not also getting additional funding for ancillary projects. State Share: 1.4%	Delete the GO bond authorization for Ripken Stadium Renovation and Expansion.
Security Mall Renovation and Replacement	Baltimore	2,500,000	This project includes the redevelopment of the Reimagine Security Square Mall in Baltimore County. This project involves the redevelopment of the facility	Delete the GO bond authorization for the Security Square

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			to serve as a mixed-use hub. The estimated total cost is \$32.5 million, with State funds consisting of \$17.5 million; a total of \$15.0 million in State funds were previously authorized in both fiscal 2023 and 2024. Non-State funds from Baltimore County totaling \$15.0 million have been provided for the project. The design period is expected to begin in December 2026, with construction beginning in September 2027. Under the current schedule, the project is estimated to be completed by September 2029. Estimated annual project expenditures do not support the need for additional State funds in fiscal 2027. State Share: 53.8%	Mall Renovation and Replacement project.

Source: Department of Legislative Services

PAYGO Miscellaneous Grants

The 2026 CIP includes a total of \$57.6 million in general funds for following miscellaneous grants.

- ***AstraZeneca Facilities Expansion:*** The CIP proposes \$14.6 million in general funds annually in fiscal 2027 through 2031, the end of the planning period, as part of an eight-year State capital commitment of \$116.6 million to support facility improvements and expansions in Frederick and Montgomery counties. In Frederick County, funding will support the design and construction of additional biopharmaceutical manufacturing capacity at AstraZeneca’s existing facility in Frederick. In Montgomery County, funding will support constructing a facility to develop medicines for use in clinical trials adjacent to AstraZeneca’s current Gaithersburg location. Design for both facilities is expected to begin by March 2026, and construction is expected to begin in September 2027. Both facilities are expected to be operational by calendar 2029 or 2030, but additional site improvements are planned for fiscal 2031 and beyond.

The expansion is expected to retain 400 jobs and create 300 jobs for a State cost of \$166,521 in PAYGO funding per job. The total estimated project cost is \$1.8 billion, for a State share of 6.4%. The project is also expected to seek up to \$4.0 million in State funding from the Economic Development Opportunities Program Account, better known as the Sunny Day Fund, in fiscal 2026 and additional funds from the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund.

- ***Madison Square Garden Group – Sphere Maryland:*** The CIP proposes one-time State funding of \$10 million in general funds for this project, a planned 6,000-seat entertainment venue at National Harbor. The total estimated project cost is \$1.4 billion, for a State share of 0.7%. Most of the project (\$1.2 billion) will be funded with private financing, but the proposed grantee also anticipates using local tax increment financing, parking garage revenue, and Maryland Economic Development Corporation financing for the project. The State share of the overall cost is negligible, and it is not clear whether general funds are necessary for the project’s completion. Once finished, the Sphere venue is projected to create 1,250 full- and part-time jobs. Design began in January 2026, and construction is projected to start in November 2026; however, the proposed grantee is still in the process of negotiating a long-term lease with Peterson Companies, which owns the property.
- ***New Montevue Senior Living Facility:*** This project would construct 60 to 85 units of senior housing as well as greenspace and a potential community center in Frederick County. The fiscal 2027 allowance includes \$3.0 million in general funds for the project, which has an estimated total cost of \$41.2 million, including an anticipated \$3.3 million award from the Department of Housing and Community Development’s (DHCD) Partnership Rental Housing Program. The miscellaneous grant and Partnership Rental Housing funding bring the State share of the project to 15%. The project will likely

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also be eligible for funding through DHCD’s Rental Housing Works program, which provides funding for affordable housing projects on a first-ready, first served basis. In the capital analysis for H00* – DGS – Capital, **DLS has recommended deleting the miscellaneous grant funding for this project.**

- ***Capital of Quantum Initiative:*** Capital of Quantum initiative is a strategic partnership between the State; the University of Maryland, College Park Campus (UMCP); and private and federal partners. The fiscal 2027 allowance includes \$40 million to continue following two projects related to the Capital of Quantum Initiative, including \$30 million in PAYGO funding and \$10 million in GO bonds:
 - ***University of Maryland Enterprise Corporation:*** The fiscal 2027 allowance provides \$10 million in general funds and \$10 million in GO bonds to continue funding for the project. Emerging and growth-stage quantum companies struggle to find adequate space due to laboratories requiring significant environmental controls, specialized infrastructure, and safety systems. Companies can face high costs and long delays retrofitting standard buildings, thereby limiting growth potential. Funding will be used to fund tenant improvements for companies moving to the Discovery District, such as building out of a mix of office and specialized laboratory space and equipping spaces with advanced quantum instruments in addition to other building improvements.
 - ***IonQ Headquarters:*** The fiscal 2027 allowance includes \$20.0 million in general funds to support the design and construction of a new headquarters for IonQ, a quantum computing company that began as a startup at UMCP. The planned headquarters will include laboratories, a data center, office space, parking and access roads, and site improvements. The estimated total cost of the facility is \$186.1 million. The project received \$10 million in general funds and \$5.0 million in GO bond funding in fiscal 2026 and is expected to receive \$15.0 million in PAYGO funding in fiscal 2028, for a total State contribution of \$50.0 million (a State share of 26.9%). Anticipated fiscal 2028 funding is not reflected in the CIP. Construction is expected to begin in February 2027.

Additional discussion on Capital of Quantum Initiative is included in the capital analysis for H00* – DGS – Capital.

Updates

1. Status of 2025 Session Preauthorizations for Fiscal 2027

Exhibit 6 shows a comparison of the legislative preauthorization amounts for miscellaneous capital grants for fiscal 2027 to the proposed funding amounts included in the fiscal 2027 capital budget for these projects. A total of 18 miscellaneous capital grants were preauthorized for fiscal 2027 during the 2025 session; however, only 11 of these grants are funded through the fiscal 2027 budget. Only 2 projects are funded at the same level as the preauthorized amount.

Exhibit 6
Fiscal 2027 Miscellaneous Capital Grant Preauthorization Amounts
Compared to Fiscal 2027 Funding
(\$ in Millions)

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Preauthorization Amount</u>	<u>2027 Funded Amount</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Ellicott City North Tunnel Extension Project ¹	\$10.00	\$22.95	\$12.95
Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center – New Obstetrical Care Tower	10.00	10.00	0.00
MedStar Southern Maryland	10.00	8.00	-2.00
Bowie Mill Bike Trail	2.10	1.75	-0.35
Pikesville Armory	3.00	1.50	-1.50
Westminster Fiber	1.00	1.00	0.00
Glen Echo Park Spanish Ballroom Renovation	1.50	1.00	-0.50
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra	1.50	1.00	-0.50
Catholic Charities – Intergenerational Center	2.00	1.00	-1.00
Ascension Saint Agnes – Family Birthing Center	1.00	0.50	-0.50
The Johns Hopkins Hospital – Pediatric Emergency Department Psychiatric Unit Expansion	0.65	0.30	-0.35
Damascus Sidewalk Repair	0.25	0.00	-0.25
Springsong Museum	1.00	0.00	-1.00
Young Artists of America, Inc.	1.50	0.00	-1.50
MD 32 Noise Mitigation for Fox Valley Estates	1.80	0.00	-1.80
Maryland Center for History and Culture – Enoch Pratt House and Collections Storage	2.50	0.00	-2.50

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<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Preauthorization Amount</u>	<u>2027 Funded Amount</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Southern Bridge Career and Education Center	2.50	0.00	-2.50
B & O Railroad Museum	3.00	0.00	-3.00
Total	\$55.30	\$49.00	-\$6.30

¹Funded under the Maryland Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund in the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Note: Does not include \$4.0 million for Kent County Public Schools.

Source: Department of Legislative Services

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Kingdom Care Center.

ZA00AC Kingdom Care Center..... \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
1,000,000	-1,000,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Kingdom Care Center.

2. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Krimson Achievement Foundation project.

ZA00AD Krimson Achievement Foundation..... \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
250,000	-250,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Krimson Achievement Foundation project.

3. Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the New Calcined Clay Facility project by \$3,750,000.

ZA00AP New Calcined Clay Facility \$3,750,000

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
7,500,000	-3,750,000	3,750,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the New Calcined Clay Facility project by \$3,750,000.

4. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Parks and People ReInvest Baltimore Green Space Infrastructure Improvements.

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ZA00AU Parks and People – ReInvest Baltimore Green Space
Infrastructure Improvements \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
100,000	-100,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Parks and People – ReInvest Baltimore Green Space Infrastructure Improvements.

5. Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the American Legion Post 47 Renovation project by \$50,000.

ZA00B American Legion Post 47 Renovation..... \$100,000

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
150,000	-50,000	100,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the American Legion Post 47 Renovation project by \$50,000.

6. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Security Square Mall Renovation and Replacement project.

ZA00BA Security Square Mall Renovation and Replacement..... \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
2,500,000	-2,500,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Security Square Mall Renovation and Replacement project.

7. Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the Baltimore Museum of Art – Infrastructure Improvements project by \$275,000.

ZA00E Baltimore Museum of Art – Infrastructure Improvements..... \$475,000

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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
750,000	-275,000	475,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the Baltimore Museum of Art – Infrastructure Improvements project by \$275,000.

8. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Bowie Mill Bike Trail project.

ZA00I	Bowie Mill Bike Trail.....	\$0
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
1,750,000	-1,750,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Bowie Mill Bike Trail project.

9. Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the City of Cambridge – Multiple Bridge Improvements project by \$2,000,000.

ZA00N	City of Cambridge – Multiple Bridge Improvements	\$1,000,000
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
3,000,000	-2,000,000	1,000,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for the City of Cambridge – Multiple Bridge Improvements project by \$2,000,000.

10. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the City of Frostburg – Water Sustainability Improvements project.

ZA00O	City of Frostburg – Water Sustainability Improvements.....	\$0
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
400,000	-400,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the City of Frostburg – Water Sustainability Improvements project.

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11. Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park – Meyer Building Renovation project by \$2,000,000.

ZA00P	Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park – Meyer Building Renovation.....	\$2,000,000
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
4,000,000	-2,000,000	2,000,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation bond authorization for Crownsville Hospital Memorial Park – Meyer Building Renovation project by \$2,000,000.

12. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park – Whiting Property Capital Improvements project.

ZA00T	Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park – Whiting Property Capital Improvements	\$0
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
1,000,000	-1,000,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Friends of Patapsco Valley State Park – Whiting Property Capital Improvements project.

13. Reduce the general obligation authorization for the Hagerstown Regional Airport – New Control Tower.

ZA00W	Hagerstown Regional Airport – New Control Tower	\$750,000
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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
1,500,000	-750,000	750,000

Explanation: Reduce the general obligation authorization for the Hagerstown Regional Airport – New Control Tower.

ZA00 – Miscellaneous Grant Programs – Capital*

14. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for Jug Handle Connector project.

ZA00AA Jug Handle Connector \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
3,000,000	-3,000,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for Jug Handle Connector project.

15. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Ripken Stadium Renovation and Expansion project.

ZA00AY Ripken Stadium Renovation and Expansion..... \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
5,000,000	-5,000,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the Ripken Stadium Renovation and Expansion project.

16. Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital project.

ZA00AK MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital \$0

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
8,000,000	-8,000,000	0

Explanation: Delete the general obligation bond authorization for the MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital project.

Total General Obligation Bonds Reductions **-\$31,825,000**