

State Of Maryland 2016 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name Of Project
lr3491	sb1044	lr3492	hb1538	Frostburg Museum Relocation Project
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Edwards				Allegany County Delegation
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Allegany County				\$150,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the former St. Michael's School to assist in the relocation of the Frostburg Museum				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of real property.	
8. Special Provisions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Ph#	Email Address
Liz Eshleman			240-727-1864	eceshleman@msn.com
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
<p>The Frostburg Museum Association is an all-volunteer organization found in 1977. The Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. The Association is managed by a Board of Directors of up to 16 members. The organization is funded through memberships, donations, grants, and support from the City of Frostburg. The mission of the Frostburg Museum is to acquire, document, catalog, preserve, and display memorabilia, artifacts and other items related to the history of Frostburg, Maryland, its citizens and its environs, and to provide access information to those involved in research and study of this area. The Museum also provides educational and cultural opportunities for the local community and visiting public. The Museum houses over 10,000 artifacts, documents, and photographs related to Frostburg's rich history.</p>				

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

The Frostburg Museum plans to relocate to the former St. Michael's School building on Main Street in Frostburg. The Museum has acquired the building from St. Michael's Catholic Church. Upgrades to meet current fire and ADA codes, estimated to cost \$1.4 million, are required before the Museum can occupy the building and open to the public. Relocation to the center of Frostburg's designated historic district along the National Road preserves a historic structure through adaptive reuse, increases Museum visitorship, and provides a viable tourist opportunity for visitors. Increased tourist traffic in our downtown business district will benefit local restaurants and businesses. State funds from this bond bill will be used for planning, code-required improvements and repairs. (see #28)

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	
Design	\$50,000
Construction	\$235,000
Equipment	\$15,000
Total	\$300,000

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

Bond Bill Funding	\$150,000
Private Donations Pledged	\$50,000
City of Frostburg Funds	\$10,000
Frostburg Museum Funds	\$10,000
Real property	\$70,000
Grant funding - Heritage Preservation- applied	\$10,000
Total	\$300,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
2/15/2016	4/1/2016	4/1/2016	4/1/17
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site		17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
50000.00	900		5000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Frostburg Museum Association PO Box 92 Frostburg, MD 21532		Frostburg Museum Association 56 E. Main Street Frostburg, MD 21532	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	1A - Garrett and Allegany Counties		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Elizabeth C. Eshleman	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	240-727-1864		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Mailing Address: PO Box 92 Frostburg, MD 21532 Real Property Location: 56 E. Main Street Frostburg, MD 21532			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	7	50000.00	75000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	10,000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	10,000		
New GSF	0		

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

1891

28. Comments

Real Property Value from Maryland Dept of Assessments & Taxation:

Current Location: 69 Hill Street - \$419,900.00

New Location: 50 & 56 E. Main Street - \$529,600.00

#24. Staff includes additional museum staff, design professionals and construction contractors.

#28. The Frostburg Museum Association owns the former St. Michael's school building. Transfer of title took place in late November 2015. The Archdiocese of Baltimore, the local parish and the City of Frostburg enthusiastically supported this transfer to preserve the building in the center of the historic district and allow for its reuse as a public space in order facilitate the ongoing revitalization of the downtown business district.

Required code upgrades to the building include a sprinkler system, ADA compliant restrooms, elevator service, and changes to stairwells and hallways. Repairs include a new roof and guttering, attic insulation, masonry repairs, new flooring and ceilings, upgraded lighting for displays, and display design.

The Western Maryland Scenic Railroad brings over 40,000 visitors and the Great Allegheny Passage bike trail brings over 70,000 visitors to Frostburg each year. Both terminuses are within walking distance of the new Museum location. This prominent location will make the Museum a focal point of Frostburg's downtown.