

State Of Maryland

2019 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Dorchester Center for the Arts		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Eckardt	Adams	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Dorchester County	\$50,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Dorchester Center for the Arts Performance Hall		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements: Equal	Type: The matching fund may consist of in kind contributions.	
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Will Dennehy	410-330-5960	nosocks3@gmail.com
Alicia Hoffman		443-521-2657
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Dorchester County Center for the Arts (DCA) mission is to promote cultural activities throughout Dorchester County. We are the anchor for the Arts and Entertainment district in Cambridge and the designated Arts Council for Dorchester County. DCA is located in the historic Nathan building and provides a venue for a wide range of fine and performing arts including the Choptank Writers Group, The Chesapeake Film Festival, and Summer Fun Program for young artists. The Air Force Jazz Ensemble, the Baltimore Ukulele Ensemble, Continuum Dance Co. Brown Box Theatre Project and Midshore Community Band performed last year. We host Open-mic night for local singers, musicians, storytellers, and comedians and provide low-cost classes in painting, drawing, carving, stained glass and knitting. We had over 13,000 visitors in 2017.</p>		

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

DCA requests support from the State of MD to complete the renovation project begun in 2010 which will make DCA a first-class arts center. Specifically, we will fix the water infiltration problems to protect our historic home. In addition, we will install lighting and sound system controls, movable partitions that will provide more intimate and flexible performance spaces to serve a wider range of clients and expand our programs. Having a more flexible space will allow us to triple our attendance and annual rental revenues. We will also install sound insulation between the first and second floors and complete the kitchen. DCA is a central & critical part of Cambridge's and Dorchester County's revitalization.

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

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	
Design	
Construction	\$70,000
Equipment	\$30,000
Total	\$100,000

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

Cash on hand	\$50,000
Bond Bill Grant	\$50,000
Total	\$100,000

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
		8/19/2019	5/29/2020
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	13,000		17,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2004	\$380,000	Renovation of Nathan Building	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Dorchester Center for the Arts, Inc.			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	37B - Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot, and Wicomico 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:	Michelle Barnes, Esq.	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410.463.6296		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
213 Sunburst Hwy Cambridge, MD 21613			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
5	7	360000.00	400000.00
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?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			
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	
Dorchester County	20	Yes, renews 1 Dec 2022	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	5000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	2400		
New GSF	0		

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

Original building 1904,
Renovated 2004

28. Comments

We intend to focus on protecting the historic Nathan Building. There are minor roof leaks and significant water penetration at the first-floor windows that need to be repaired immediately.

We will also improve the second-floor performance space by adding soundproof partitions to divide the space into more intimate spaces, add digital lighting controls, new sound system, and a new projection screen and projector.