

State Of Maryland 2019 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Frederick Bocce Ball Courts		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Young		
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Frederick County	\$75,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of bocce ball courts		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements: Equal	Type: The matching fund may consist of real property or 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
Connie Martin	301-662-7889	CLMFrederick@yahoo.com
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Frederick Bocce began in 2014 as a small informal group meeting to play bocce. In 2018 as we began the process of designing bocce courts, we became a working group under Friends of Baker Park, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Friends of Baker Park acts as our fiscal agent for the construction of the bocce courts. The mission of Frederick Bocce is to create a public space in which our diverse community can come together and enjoy the game of bocce; to add a handicapped accessible recreational amenity to Baker Park; to promote and teach the game of bocce without cost to anyone who has an interest, regardless of ability. Frederick Bocce maintains a website at https://frederickbocce.org/, a Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/frederickbocce/ and a separate email distribution list of over 250 households.</p>		

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

To build four permanent bocce courts in Baker Park, Room 1 across from the Carillon. Baker Park is a 58 acre linear park running through the heart of downtown Frederick. These courts will allow the general public to play bocce in most weather conditions, year round. The planned bocce court venue include lighting, low maintenance materials, eight benches, two picnic pavilions and accessibility for wheelchairs. The courts will be regulation size which allows them to be used for local and regional tournaments. The City has approved the proposal and has provided the land for the courts. The plan design has also been approved by the Historical Preservation Commission. Frederick will provide the labor for the 8 to 10 week build-out, which is estimated to be \$150,000. Frederick Bocce is responsible for raising the funds necessary to purchase the materials, which is estimated to be \$104,000.

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	\$0
Design	\$0
Construction	\$254,000
Equipment	\$0
Total	\$254,000

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

City of Frederick Capital Budget	\$150,000
Maryland State Bond Funding	\$75,000
Frederick Bocce Fundraising	\$29,000
Total	\$254,000

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
5/1/2018	Completed	9/9/2019	11/15/2019
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	
21000.00	0	10,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Friends of Baker Park Frederick Bocce sub fund P.O. Box 4146 Frederick, MD 21705-4146			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	3A - Frederick County		
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:		Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:			
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

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	0	0.00	0.00
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?			
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?			
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	n/a		
Space to be Renovated GSF	n/a		
New GSF	n/a		

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

n/a

28. Comments

Not only is bocce a great game for all ages and skill levels, but it can also be a social and economic driver in a community by providing a venue for promoting healthy activities for an aging population, cultivating strong social relationships, networking and corporate team building events, bocce league and tournament play and special events.

Once built the bocce courts will be an asset of Frederick City Parks and Recreation, and as such they will be open to the general public. Wheelchairs will be able to access the courts via a paved walkway.

Bocce is a global game and enjoyed by all age groups, young and old. The Frederick Senior Recreation Council supports building bocce courts in Baker Park, as do local advocates for Community Living and Special Olympics. Bocce is one of the Special Olympics Unified Sports which is played in all ten Frederick County High Schools. Unified Sports pair able-bodied and disabled individuals on a team to compete in certain sports. Tournaments are held annually and are supported by Special Olympics Maryland Frederick County. The 2017 Frederick County tournament had over 200 participants! Here is a YouTube video featuring Frederick County Public Schools Unified Bocce teams: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ChZg2bXyldk>

Here is an artist rendering of the proposed bocce venue: <https://frederickbocce.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Frederick-BoccePark.jpg>