

State Of Maryland

2021 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
USS Constellation		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Ferguson	Lierman	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore City	\$2,500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the USS Constellation		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Delegate Lierman		brooke.lierman@house.state.md.us
Senator Ferguson		
James Piper Bond		james@livingclassrooms.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The mission of Historic Ships in Baltimore, a program of Living Classrooms Foundation, is to provide a cultural and educational resource for the community while honoring and perpetuating the legacy of dedicated service given by the crews of USS Constellation, USCG Cutter WHEC-37, USS Torsk, Lightship Chesapeake, and the keepers of the Seven Foot Knoll Lighthouse, preserving and developing the collection and its historical record for the benefit of generations to come. Historic Ships in Baltimore is open daily to the public as a maritime museum providing hands-on educational programming and tours to individuals and groups. Historic Ships in Baltimore is also responsible for the maintenance and care of the Historic Ships Fleet of four ships and the lighthouse.</p>		

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

This grant will support the dry docking of USS Constellation for caulking of the ships remaining original hull planking. The ship is leaking steadily at a rate of 1,500gph and pumps are cycling every 11 minutes. This project is urgent because leaking at this rate presents a significant risk of catastrophic flooding. The dry docking will take place at the Sparrows Point Shipyard, now owned by Trade Point Atlantic. This is the only remaining facility in Baltimore that can accommodate USS Constellation. In addition to caulking the hull, HSB will use this shipyard opportunity to repair areas of the ship's laminated planking above the waterline where rot has occurred due to freshwater intrusion, remove and recondition 200 tons of iron ballast, maintenance and cleaning of the ship's hold, and perform maintenance on the ship's rigging; specifically, repairs to the main lower and fore tops'l yards and replacement of the mizzen lower yard.

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	\$3,000,000
Equipment	
Total	\$3,000,000

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

City of Baltimore CIP Funding (awarded)	\$200,000
Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (requested)	\$100,000
Private Sources (requested)	\$200,000
State of Maryland Bond (requested)	\$2,500,000
Total	\$3,000,000

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
		10/31/2022	3/3/2023
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	
	82,066	80,000 - 100,000	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2012	\$1,000,000	USS Constellation Education and Heritage Center	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Historic Ships in Baltimore, Inc. 802 S. Caroline St. Baltimore, MD 21231		Historic Ships in Baltimore Pier 1, 301 E. Pratt St. Baltimore, MD 21202	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	46 - Baltimore City		
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:	James Piper Bond	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-685-0295		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Historic Ships in Baltimore 1417 Thames St. Baltimore, MD 21231			

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	35	1269204.00	1800000.00
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	
Mayor and City Council of Baltimore	10 years	Automatic renewal, 10	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	N/A		
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

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

1854

28. Comments

Periodic dry dockings are necessary for the long-term care of historic vessels and Constellation is no exception. It is imperative that USS Constellation be dry docked as soon as possible. Wooden ships will always leak a little bit, but leaking at the present rate is unacceptable and dangerous. An extended power failure could easily place the ship in jeopardy. The existing caulking is over 20 years old and was installed during the ship's 1996-'99 restoration. Leaking is largely from non-point sources, and while we do engage a diver periodically to address major "gushers" when they occur, and when we can locate them, the only long-term solution to correct this issue is to dry dock the ship for recaulking.