

State Of Maryland

2022 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Westowne Elementary School		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Sydnor	Ruth	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore County	\$150,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a new playground at Westowne Elementary School		
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 Sheila Ruth		sheila.ruth@house.state.md.us
Mr. Merrill E. Plait		443-809-6301
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Westowne Elementary School, in District 44B (southwest Baltimore County), serves approximately 700 students from preschool through 5th grade and their families. Surrounding communities also use the grounds of Westowne Elementary for play space and recreation. Westowne's student body reflects the broad racial, ethnic, and economic diversity of its surrounding community. As of the 2020-21 school year, the student body is approximately 13% Asian, 37% Black, 7.6% Hispanic, 34% White, and 7.6% two or more races. Approximately 49% of the students at Westowne qualify for free and reduced price lunch.</p>		

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

Westowne does not currently have a playground that well serves the older children at the school and in the community, particularly those Grades 2 through 5. A longstanding and beloved playground at the school had most of its equipment removed in November of 2019 due to safety concerns, and was never replaced. Westowne's current playgrounds are small and do not well serve the needs of older students. Further, Westowne lacks other facilities that would serve older students, such as a hard court, that other area schools have. This project would allow for the building of an accessible playground within the line of sight of the school that would provide a much needed recreation space for Westowne students and the surrounding community.

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	\$56,000
Equipment	\$91,000
Total	\$147,000

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

State of Maryland	\$150,000
Seeking Private Fundraising	
Total	\$150,000

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
Complete	TBD	TBD	TBD
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	
	700+	700+	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
None			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Baltimore County Public Schools 9610 Pulaski Park Drive Baltimore, MD 21220		401 Harlem Lane Catonsville, MD 21228	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	44B - Baltimore 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:	Merril Plait	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	443-809-6301		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Baltimore County Public Schools 9610 Pulaski Park Drive Baltimore, MD 21220			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
n/a	n/a	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?			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			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

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

Construction and equipment estimate is an estimate from a BCPS playground vendor and may be subject to change, particularly with equipment and supply chain issues that may arise. To the extent that the final costs exceed the amount of the grant, the Westowne community will pursue private fundraising and sponsorship.

The timeline for design completion and construction is TBD as it will be dependent on BCPS processes as well as supply chain for playground equipment.

The point of contact for Westowne Elementary itself is below:

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