

State Of Maryland

2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Korean War Veterans Museum Project		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
	Wivell	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Washington County	\$25,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Korean War Veterans Museum Project		
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 William J. Wivell		william.wivell@house.state.md.us
Ron Twentey		240-882-6153
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Korean War Veterans Association, Antietam Chapter 312, Inc was formed in 2007, with stated missions of the Chapter being: 1) Maintain a local monument honoring Washington County service members and especially the 32 Washington County MIA/KIA who gave their lives for the cause of freedom during the Korean War; 2) Ensure the Korean War is not forgotten through presentations to community organizations and schools; 3) Award scholarships to deserving Washington County high school students through our scholarship program; 4) Perpetuate veterans' stories through an oral history program; 5) Serve veterans in local nursing homes and hospitals; 6) Provide aid and comfort to Chapter members whenever needed.</p>		

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

Upon completion this project will become a permanent part of the Ritchie History Museum at Fort Ritchie in Cascade, Maryland to: 1) Honor the memory of the 32 Washington County MIA/KIA heroes who paid the ultimate sacrifice in establishing and preserving freedom during the Korean War; 2) Preserve the legacy of Chapter 312, the only remaining active Korean War Veterans organization in Maryland; 3) Inform and educate visitors, through static and dynamic exhibits, about the Korean War and its importance in halting the spread of communism; 4) Provide take-away materials to visitors to encourage sharing their visit experience, inspiring others to visit the museum; 5) Add complementary content to the story of Fort Ritchie's long and extensive past in Maryland history and the legacy of the Ritchie Boys of WWII; 6) Add to our area's rich history yet another destination for those interested in American military history to come to Washington County as a tourism destination.

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	\$5,000
Construction	\$20,000
Equipment	
Total	\$25,000

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

Legislative Bond Initiative	\$25,000
Total	\$25,000

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
December 2021	February 2023	Underway	Spring 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	
22000.00	0 - not yet open	Open to General Public	
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)	
Korean War Veterans Association, Antietam Chapter 312, Inc P.O. Box 868 Funkstown, MD 21734-0868		Ritchie History Museum 25009 Lake Wastler Drive Cascade, MD 21719 Building 202	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	2A - Washington 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
Volunteers	Volunteers		
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			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	
28. Comments	
<p>The Korean War Veterans Museum Project is the final legacy project of Antietam Chapter 312 Korean War Veterans Association in Washington County, Maryland. As Chapter membership has aged, it has become apparent that we needed to rethink how to continue fulfilling our missions in the future. At its high point our membership numbered over 100 Korean War veterans, currently reduced to fewer than 40 living members. In 2021 we began searching for a way to preserve legacy materials while at the same time educating and informing the public about the importance of the Korean War in securing and protecting freedom.</p> <p>The original budget for design, construction, and installation of exhibit components was estimated at \$20,000 in 2021 dollars. Since the original budget estimate, significant design changes have been made to accomodate space available while creating a more interesting, educational, and dynamic experience for people visiting the museum. Additionally, inflationary increases throughout 2022 and ongoing in 2023 were not anticipated in the original budget. Our plan has been to continue producing ancillary exhibit components to rotate within the museum on an ongoing basis to keep the experience fresh and prevent the exhibit from stagnating. These additional costs are the subject of this request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Inflationary increasesDesign changesOngoing additions to freshen museum experience	