

# State Of Maryland

## 2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Many Individuals Helping Individuals (MIHI)		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
	Baker	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Washington County	\$1,000,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the MIHI facility		
<b>7. Matching Fund</b>		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
<b>8. Special Provisions</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
<b>9. Contact Name and Title</b>	<b>Contact Ph#</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Delegate William J. Wivell		william.wivell@house.state.md.us
William Beard		301-745-6444
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Many Individuals Helping Individuals' (MIHI, Inc) mission is assisting individuals with disabilities to enhance their quality of life by developing and supporting projects and educational programs that will eliminate physical and psychological barriers in the community with an emphasis on making recreational activities of all types accessible to all citizens regardless of their circumstance.</p>		

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

A new inclusive playground specifically designed for children with physical and physiological challenges will replace an existing deteriorating playground. The new facility will be one of the few playgrounds in the county that allows all children to play alongside each other regardless of their physical ability. The existing facility and surfacing were installed over 20 years ago by MIHI and is deteriorating and in need of replacement. The new facility will correct American with Disability Act accessibility deficiencies and improve upon decades of knowledge in the design and creation of inclusive playgrounds. Inclusive playgrounds are designed to welcome children of all abilities to play, learn and grow in a multi-generational gathering space.

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	\$0
<b>Design</b>	\$0
<b>Construction</b>	\$710,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,210,000</b>

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

Washington County CIP - Local Parks and Playground Fu	\$200,000
MIHI - fundraising	\$10,000
State Bond Initiative	\$1,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,210,000</b>

<b>14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
12/1/21	7/1/23	9/1/23	5/1/24
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>	<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>	
10000.00	30000	40000	
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
none			
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Many Individuals Helping Individuals  P.O. Box 3511 Hagerstown, MD 21742		17901 Halfway Blvd Hagerstown, MD 21740	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	1C - Allegany and Washington Counties		
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
[ ]	[ ]	[ X ]	[ ]
<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	William K. Beard, Jr. Executive Director	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	301-745-6444		No
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
P.O. Box 3511 Hagerstown, MD 21742			

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
0	0		
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Lease
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
Washington County Board of County	20 years	year to year as long as	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>			
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>			
<b>New GSF</b>			

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

2002

**28. Comments**

MIHI is partnering with Washington County government on the project. Washington County has performed the site survey and playground design and worked with an equipment manufacturer on the equipment layout. The project would replace the existing MIHI playground and construct a unified inclusive playground on the site. Washington County will provide project procurement and manage the construction and assume the maintenance for the life of the equipment.

Marty Snook Park is the County's largest and busiest park. It serves not only the local community but the entire County and region. The County operates many programs that support and use the facility such as the summer recreation camp program, Tiny Tots, and has plans to offer more programming for citizens with disabilities in the community, but needs the facilities to support those efforts.

The location is ideal to support the community needs as it is centrally located in the park and geographically in Washington County where it already serves a large population. The site can be accessed from a nearby parking lot and/or the multiuse trail which connects the entire park to multiple community access locations. There is a nearby restroom and pavilion. It is near to other playground attractions such as the recently created Marty's Mythical Woods Natural Playground and will serve as a community and regional attraction.

Creating inclusive playgrounds requires more site work and consideration than traditional playgrounds to ensure the site meets ADA accessibility standards. The plan includes a poured in placed surface for easy mobility for individuals with ambulatory limitations, and perimeter fencing for autism and flight risk children to provide a safe and secure space where parents also feel comfortable. The playground includes a small pavilion with unimpeded views of the area, a 2-5 age and 6-12 equipment area, landscaping and rain garden, and a layout that incorporates the autism infinity symbol. These features are at an additional costs versus a traditional playground, but imperative to serve people with physical and physiological barriers. For this reason it is imperative that MIHI receive the additional funding for the project so that a true inclusive playground be constructed for the community.