

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Smithville School - Museum and Education Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Smith	Wilkins	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Montgomery County	\$1,000,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Smithville School - Museum and Education Center		
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
Senator William C. Smith, Jr.		will.smith@senate.state.md.us
Timothy Robinson		443-812-6449
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Our purpose is to preserve the historic Smithville Colored Schoolhouse and provide educational activities to the community. This purpose includes maintaining the museum to ensure sustainability, general visibility to the community, and an ongoing legacy that highlights the initial intent. We are a hosted stop on the Historic Tour of Montgomery County, the home of the Brigadier General Charles McGee Scholarship Foundation and the Alpha Scholarship & Charitable Foundation. In addition, we serve as a meeting place for community organizations to plan, coordinate, and implement various programs, events, and projects throughout the year.</p>		

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

To increase historical awareness, and provide newly renovated meeting space in Montgomery County. The IUL Smithville School Museum & Education Center (SSMEC) presents our vision to modernize our existing property (approximately two acres) for the enjoyment and use by local residents. With the objective of a successful and inviting education and enrichment mission, renovating the existing property will be paramount. Renovation of the existing barn, including a new building addition, and general site improvements will result in an appealing, inviting location that will promote the historical significance, the pursuit of higher education, and camaraderie and collaboration within the Silver Spring and Montgomery County 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	\$0
Design	\$150,000
Construction	\$4,350,000
Equipment	\$500,000
Total	\$5,000,000

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

State of Maryland	\$1,000,000
Federal Grants	\$1,500,000
County Grants	\$200,000
Corporate sponsorship	\$2,000,000
Private donations	\$50,000
Fraternity donation	\$150,000
Historical grants	\$100,000
Total	\$5,000,000

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
4/1/2024	10/1/2024	4/1/2025	4/1/2026
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	
43000.00	3,900	10,400+	
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)	
IUL Smithville School Museum and Education Center		811 E. Randolph Road Silver Spring, MD 20904	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	20 - Montgomery 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:	Timothy Robinson	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	443-812-6449		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
18907 Saint Albert Dr. Brookeville, MD 20833			

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	2	16000.00	75000.00
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?			Yes
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
United Hearts Church	12 months	6,000	400
Church of God	12 months	3,700	400
Alpha Kapa Alpha Sorority	12 months	840	400
National Association for Advancement of	12 months	840	400
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Iota Upsilon	12 months	3,000	400
Nastos Construction	8 months	4,200	2,500
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	1,900		
Space to be Renovated GSF	5,300		
New GSF	7,200		

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

School House 1928, Barn 1940

28. Comments

Here are some talking points that can be utilized. The space will be a huge benefit to the community once completed. There will be several situations that we plan to address with the development of the property. As a community-focused organization, we plan to utilize the facility for both community meeting space as well as training/education classes.

Larger community space

Church meetings

Other community organization meetings

Covid 19 screening (African American Health Program)

Back-to-School distribution

Town Hall meetings

Weddings

Etc.

Classroom spaces

Computer classes

Workforce readiness training

Financial literacy training

Credit repair

Etc.

Some of the above activities we have currently carried out and some of them we are expecting to implement in the new facility. We have existing relationships with many community organizations that look forward to expanding our working relationships and reaching into the community. I hope that this information helps. Please let me know if you need anything else.