

# State Of Maryland

## 2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Children's Guild - Support of Safe and Nurturing Homes for Children with Autism		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
Attar	Rosenberg	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Baltimore City	\$500,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of safe, accessible homes for children with Autism		
<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>
Mark Rapaport		410-207-8411
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Children's Guild has a longstanding commitment to serving children and families through a variety of innovative educational, behavioral health, and community-based programs. With a history of transforming the lives of children with Autism and other cognitive, behavioral, and emotional challenges, the organization continues to provide specialized services that promote independence, academic success, and emotional well-being, ensuring that every child and family has the support they need to thrive. Recognizing the urgent need for supportive housing for children with Autism and related disorders many of whom are currently placed in foster care, hospitals, or waiting in emergency rooms for appropriate accommodation the organization plans to open a new group home tailored to these children's unique needs.</p> <p>(Contd. in 28)</p>		

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

The purpose of this project is to establish a group home for children aged 11-17 with Autism and related cognitive, behavioral, and communication disorders, providing a safe and nurturing environment tailored to their unique needs. This initiative addresses the growing demand for appropriate housing solutions, as many children are currently placed in foster care, hospitalized, or waiting in emergency rooms due to the lack of specialized accommodations. The project aims to furnish living spaces with high-quality, behaviorally safe furniture, update bathrooms for ADA compliance, enhance kitchen safety, and create sensory-friendly environments. Additionally, it includes the acquisition of a vehicle for community access and the development of outdoor recreational areas. By offering a supportive and comfortable home, the project seeks to foster independence, community engagement, and overall well-being for the children it serves.

*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>	\$125,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$500,000
<b>Equipment</b>	\$175,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$800,000</b>

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

2024 Session Legislative Bond Initiative	\$250,000
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The Children's Guild, Inc.	\$300,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$800,000</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>
7/1/2025	10/31/2025	11/1/2025	4/30/2026
<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>
300000.00		Under Construction	12
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
2024 Session Legislat	\$250,000	Construction for Group Homes	
2021 CIP Session (mi	\$1,000,000	Transformation Academy, Children with Autism	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
The Childrens Guild, Inc. 6802 McClean Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21234		6508 Armstrong Ave. Baltimore, MD 21215  6512 Armstrong Ave. Baltimore, MD 21215	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	41 - Baltimore City		
<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>
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<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Jenny Livelli	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	410-444-3804 x1170		No
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
6802 McClean Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21234			

<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	65	0.00	600000.00
<b>25. Ownership of Property</b> (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Own
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			No
<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>	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>	Home 1: 3,388 sq ft Home 2: 3,560 sq. ft		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	Home 1: 3,388 sq ft Home 2: 3,560 sq. ft		
<b>New GSF</b>	Same Square Footage		

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

2025-26

**28. Comments**

10. This initiative aims to create a nurturing environment that fosters community engagement and focuses on essential life skills, addressing the growing waiting list of children requiring such support.