

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Kesser Torah Community Recreation Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Hettleman	Stein	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore County	\$500,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Kesser Torah Community Recreation 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
Avrohom Feldheim		305.720.9418
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Mesivta Kesser Torah of Baltimore (MKT) was founded in 2017 as an all-boys secondary school dedicated to academic excellence, leadership development, and community engagement. The schools mission is to train students to become ethical, thoughtful, and engaged leaders who contribute meaningfully to society. Through rigorous study of legal and theological texts, students develop critical thinking, decision-making skills, and a deep appreciation for their cultural and spiritual heritage. Beyond academics, MKT fosters personal growth, healthy relationships, and a sense of communal responsibility. With 95 high school students, the school maintains an intensive daily schedule (7:45 AM-9:15 PM) that promotes academic and character development. Some students live on campus to fully immerse themselves in the educational environment.</p>		

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

This project intends to construct a recreational building consisting of space for an indoor gymnasium, fitness center, music room, game room, and event spaces. While located on the Kesser Torah campus, the facility will be open to the greater community over weekends, evening hours, and during school intersessions.

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	\$105,000
Construction	\$1,500,000
Equipment	
Total	\$1,605,000

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

State Grant	\$500,000
Parent Body	\$150,000
Alumni	\$100,000
Community Members	\$150,000
Local Foundations	\$450,000
Board of Directors	\$255,000
Total	\$1,605,000

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
12/1/2023	06/30/2025	04/01/2026	10/01/2026
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	
0.00	250 Students, Families,	1,500 Students, Families,	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
N/A		N/A	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Mesivta Kesser Torah of Baltimore, Inc.		8400 Park Heights Avenue Pikesville, MD 21208	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	11B - 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:	Y. Jeffrey Spatz	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	(800) 219-6297		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Pratt Street Capital LLC 23 Walker Ave #300 Pikesville, MD 21208			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
25	27	2400000.00	2500000.00
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
N/A			
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	0		
Space to be Renovated GSF	0		
New GSF	12,800		

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

2026

28. Comments

We are so grateful for your support. We hope that if we can secure this state grant, it will ignite our future fundraising process.