

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Upper Bay Counseling and Support Services		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
James	S. Johnson	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Harford County	\$300,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Upper Bay Counseling & Support Services building, including new kitchen facilities		
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
Suanne Blumberg, CEO		443-350-3049
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Upper Bay Counseling & Support Services, Inc. (UBCSS) is a nonprofit mission-based behavioral health agency, offering office-based and school-based psychotherapy and counseling, psychopharmacology, assertive community treatment, rehabilitation programs for adults and children, residential rehabilitation for adults, health home services and supported employment. UBCSS has offices in Cecil and Harford Counties, with the main office at 200 Booth Street, Elkton. We typically treat over 4,000 different individuals per year. Overall agency direction is provided by a volunteer 9-member Board of Directors who represents our community. Prior to our incorporation as UBCSS in 1997, UBCSS operated as the Division of Mental Health of the Cecil County Health Department.</p>		

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

UBCSS Inc. is requesting legislative bond initiative funding for the relocation of the kitchen that serves adults with a serious and persistent mental illness from the second floor to the first floor of the office building in Havre de Grace. In order for us to expand our ability to serve more clients and provide them with hot nutritious meals, we need to renovate the current kitchen to create a commercial kitchen that is in compliance with county and health department code. This renovation/relocation will also allow for improved physical access for the participants of this program who struggle with food insecurities each day. We are currently limited in providing lunches 4 days a week due to the constraints of our current kitchen. The kitchen renovation will allow us to serve these individuals 5 days a week and allow for better access to services on the ground floor level.

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	\$16,000
Construction	\$284,000
Equipment	
Total	\$300,000

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

Maryland General Assembly	\$300,000
Total	\$300,000

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
July 1, 2025	September 1,2025	October 2025	January 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	599	700	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2020 Legislative Sess	\$500,000	To build the interior of the child services building	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Upper Bay Counseling & Support Services, Inc 200 Booth Street Elkton, Maryland 21921		626 Revolution Street Havre de Grace, Maryland 21078	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	7B - Harford 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:	Charles Bacharach Gordon Feinblatt, LLC.	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-576-4000		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
233 E Redwood St, Baltimore, MD 21202		N/A	

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	30	1252000.00	1315000.00
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	N/A	N/A	N/A
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
N/A	N/A	N/A	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	15,000 square feet		
Space to be Renovated GSF	2,300 square feet		
New GSF	15,0000 square feet		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	2025/2026
28. Comments	
<p>UBCSS is requesting these funds to improve access for our clients as well as eliminate the safety issues of having clients in the program on the second floor with significant mobility issues. Currently there is a chair lift to the second floor, but we do not have an elevator. The chair lift is inadequate to provide egress during an emergency.</p> <p>The proposed renovations will also allow for improved access to the program site for our clients with mobility issues.</p>	