

State Of Maryland

2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Frederick Youth Center		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Lewis Young	Fair	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Frederick County	\$165,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Frederick Youth Center project completion		
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
Kathryn Vicere		(301)620-4448
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Ausherman Family Foundation (AFF) envisions Frederick County as a thriving community of vibrant spaces and places with a superior quality of life and strong, collaborative nonprofit organizations. To realize our vision, AFF Trustees support the following activities: Lead others to give; Fill in gaps in service; Sustain effective cooperation with other nonprofit organizations (NPOs); Collaborate and partner with other grantmaking organizations; Support leadership development through charitable giving; Offer grants to NPOs for capacity building, operations, programs, projects, and focus initiatives.</p>		

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

AFF, in a public-private partnership with the City of Frederick, is endeavoring to construct & catalyze the establishment of a downtown youth center in direct response to both the 2022 Frederick County Human Needs Assessment & the 2021/22 Downtown Safety & Services Initiative study. There is strong alignment between the strategic goals of Frederick County, FCPS, & The City of Frederick, outcomes that can be achieved through expanded collaboration, high-quality programming, & a dedicated space for youth (ages 14-24). The County declared a certain property surplus & is gifting it to the City of Frederick to develop a youth center. AFF has pledged to invest in the building to get it construction-ready, assist with strategic planning, & raise additional capital.

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	\$650,000
Construction	\$7,543,780
Equipment	\$2,000,000
Total	\$10,193,780

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

GOVERNMENT COMMITMENTS	
Federal Earmark 2024	\$4,616,280
Federal Earmark 2026 (City of Frederick Request)	\$3,000,000
The State of MD- 2023 LBI	\$162,500
The State of MD- 2025 LBI	\$150,000
PRIVATE COMMITMENTS	
Shields Foundation	\$100,000
Kahlert Foundation	\$500,000
Ausherman Family Foundation	\$1,500,000
GOVERNMENT ASKS IN PROGRESS	
The State of MD - 2026 LBI (this request)	\$165,000
Total	\$10,193,780

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
7/1/2024	8/31/2026	1/1/2027	3/30/2028
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	
671221.00	0	+/- 3,600	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2025	\$150,000	Frederick Youth Center LBI	
2023	\$162,500	Frederick Youth Center LBI	
2018	\$250,000	New Spire Arts LBI	
2014 (2); amended 16	\$175,000	Originally Barbara Fritchie, amended New Spire Arts	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
The Ausherman Family Foundation 7420 Hayward Road Suite 203 Frederick, MD, 21702		300 Scotty's Bus Lane Frederick, MD. 21701	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	3 - Frederick 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:	Joseph F. Welty, Esq.	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-241-2018		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
McNees, Wallace & Nurick, LLC 8490 Progress Drive Suite 225 Frederick, MD 21701			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
no impact year 1	no impact year 1	0.00	0.00
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?			Lease
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
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
The City of Frederick, MD	4 years	two (1) year renewal terms	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	18,164		
Space to be Renovated GSF	18,164		
New GSF	18,164		

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

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28. Comments

The Frederick Youth Center is a publicprivate partnership in which the building was gifted to the City of Frederick by Frederick County. In turn, the City has leased the facility to the Ausherman Family Foundation for a short term to renovate and prepare it for use as a youth center. Once renovations are complete, the City will operate the finished facility, which is expected to open in Q1 2028.