

State Of Maryland

2025 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Garrett-Jacobs Mansion		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Ferguson	Edelson	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Baltimore City	\$100,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion including roof & skylights replacement and floors repairs		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
☐ Historical Easement	☒ Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
J Austin Bitner		410-539-6914
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
The mission of the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund is to preserve and restore the Mansion as a National Historic Landmark and to share the history, architectural and civic legacy of the Mansion for the benefit and education of the public. Public enrichment and access are the cornerstones of our mission through the presentation of symposia, concerts, theatrical performances and other educational programs.		

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

The Garrett-Jacobs Mansion, a national historic landmark and vital part of the Mount Vernon Historic District, requires critical repairs to preserve its structural and historical integrity. This project includes replacing the aging membrane roof, six deteriorating skylights, and applying a restorative coating to the porchs metal roof. Additionally, the restoration includes repairing damaged historic wood floors. These repairs are essential to safeguard the Mansions architectural elements, prevent water intrusion, and restore its original grandeur, ensuring its continued contribution to the community and cultural heritage.

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	\$0
Construction	\$250,000
Equipment	
Total	\$250,000

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

LBI	\$100,000
MHT Grant	\$100,000
Private Donations	\$50,000
Total	\$250,000

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
10/8/2024	11/7/2024	TBD	TBD
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	30,000+	30,000+	
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2018 G105/9	\$200,000	Restore Historic Family Dining Room & Marble Hall	
2016 G133/027&G05	\$100,000	Mansion Access & Safety Project (\$50k each)	
2014 G052/463	\$25,000	Restoration of Historic Library	
2012 G106/444&201	\$225,000	2012 Restoration of Performance Hall (\$200k) 2011 R	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Garrett Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund 11 West Mount Vernon Place Baltimore, MD 21201		Garrett Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund 11 West Mount Vernon Place Baltimore, MD 21201	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	46 - Baltimore City		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
☐	☐	☒	☐
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	J Austin Bitner	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	4105396914		Yes
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
2124 Mount Royal Terrace Baltimore, MD 20201		8/11/2018	57969066.00
		1/1/2015	36533498.00
		1/1/2013	30276832.00
		1/1/2013	29611411.00
		12/5/2003	23611411.00

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
11 FT, 18 PT	13 FT, 28PT	2200000.00	2900000.00
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
Opera Baltimore	Annual	1,072	1300
Fillmore Group	Annual	728	352
Maryland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Annual	515	172
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Property owned by Engineering Society of			
The Endowment Fund is a 501c3 established to			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	48,556		
Space to be Renovated GSF	35,784		
New GSF	48,556		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	1908
28. Comments	
Project Overview The Garrett-Jacobs Mansion, a national historic landmark and a cornerstone of Baltimores Mount Vernon Place, requires critical roof restoration. This project includes the replacement of the main roof and skylights, repairs to the historic metal roof, and floor restoration. These updates will ensure the structural integrity of the Mansion while maintaining its role as a hub for economic, cultural, educational, and heritage tourism activities. Goals: - o Preserve the architectural and structural integrity of the Mansion. - o Maintain a safe, functional, and iconic venue for the community. Outcomes: - o A 20-year lifespan for the roof and skylights. - o Expanded programming for educational and cultural activities. - o Increased job opportunities and support for local artists and performers. Enhancing Quality of Life & Community Impact Public Access: Over 30,000 annual visitors and 600+ events each year. Economic Contribution: - o A filming location for 19+ movies and TV shows over 20 years. - o Heritage tourism generates pedestrian activity and boosts the local economy. Safety & Vibrancy: A full schedule of events keeps Mount Vernon Place lively and safe, benefiting residents and visitors alike. Education & Cultural Impact: - o Engineers Week: Engages 1,500+ middle and high school students annually, including many from Baltimore City. - o Artists in Residence: Includes Opera Baltimore and Mid-Atlantic Plein Painters Air Associations Plein Air Art Show, supporting local performers and 30+ visual artists annually. Funding Request To complete the project, we are requesting \$250,000. Cost Breakdown: - o Main Roof Replacement: \$160,000 - o Skylight Replacement: \$42,000 - o Metal Roof Repair: \$15,000 - o Floors: \$33,000 Past Investments This project builds on over \$8.5 million already invested in the Mansions restoration and preservation, with less than 10% funded by prior state bond bills. Your support will ensure this vital work continues. Timeline Start Date: Summer/Fall 2025 (pending funding approval). Duration: 2-3 weeks to complete (weather permitting). Completion: Fully restored by Fall 2025. Your support is critical to preserving this Baltimore treasure. By funding this project, you not only secure the Garrett-Jacobs Mansions future as a vibrant community resource and cultural destination but also bolster Baltimores economy through heritage tourism, job creation, and increased local business activity. Thank you for your consideration.	