

State of Maryland

Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate Bill #	House Bill #	2. Name of Bill
SB196	HB155	Creation of a State Debt - Baltimore County - Northwest Hospital Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors		House Bill Sponsors
Senators Kelley, Gladden, Haines, Hollinger, Klausmeier, and Stone		Delegates Adrienne Jones, Burns, Nathan-Pulliam, Cardin, and Hammen
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)		5. Requested Amount
Baltimore County		\$800,000
6. Purpose of Bill		
<p>This bill authorizes a state grant to the Board of Directors of Northwest Hospital Center for the planning, design, renovation, expansion, repair, construction, and capital equipping of a new intensive care unit, located in Baltimore County. The project will include innovations and updates in physical design that will solve many of the chronic and costly problems associated with the current 26-year old, outdated unit.</p>		
7. Matching Fund Requirements		
<p>Prior to the payment of any funds, the grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the fund may consist of real property or in kind contributions. The fund may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.</p>		
8. Special Provisions		
None		
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization		
<p>Northwest Hospital Center is an acute care community hospital located in Randallstown, dedicated to serving the health care needs of the Northwest Baltimore metropolitan area, including western Baltimore County, suburban Baltimore City and Carroll and Howard Counties. Construction of the new ICU is driven by the need to improve the quality of care for patients, families and caregivers.</p>		
10. Description and Purpose of Project		
<p>The purpose of this project is to improve the quality and delivery of intensive care at Northwest Hospital. Built in 1978, the existing 20-bed Northwest ICU is aged and outdated. It does not meet today's unit standards as defined by the Society for Critical Care Medicine and current ICU standards for the State of Maryland. The patient rooms provide insufficient space to accommodate all the equipment and personnel that are often necessary to meet patient care needs. The unit also lacks most of the areas essential to providing conveniences for families, physicians and staff.</p> <p>Northwest plans to construct an entirely new and relocated 16-bed ICU, which will include innovations in physical design that will enhance quality of care, workplace effectiveness, and bottom line efficiency. The 12,000 sq. ft. ICU will be built adjacent to the existing ICU, which will later be converted into intermediate care beds to provide seamless transition as patients move between levels of care. The new ICU location will bring critically ill ICU patients closer to key hospital services, such as radiology, the cardiac catheterization laboratory, the emergency room and operating suites. The construction of a modern ICU (and subsequent new intermediate care unit) will allow Northwest to more appropriately address a growing demand for critical care services and to stay true to its reputation as a patient-centered community hospital.</p>		
<p><i>Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 11 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 12 (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.</i></p>		

22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Joel Suldan, General Counsel	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-601-5129		N/A
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
2401 W. Belvedere Avenue			
Baltimore, MD 21215			
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
65	46 (see #28 for comments)	\$2.6 M	\$2.8 M
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease 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 and 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	
NA			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF			7,460
Space to Be Renovated GSF			12,000
New GSF			12,000
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion			1978
28. Comments:			

The reduction of patient and employee numbers reflect the reduction in ICU bed size from 20 to 16 beds. The numbers do not reflect the incremental patients or employees that will result from right-sizing the ICU and subsequently establishing a new intermediate care unit (which is part of a separate project).