

State of Maryland

Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate Bill #	House Bill #	2. Name of Bill
SB187	HB186	Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2002 -- Western Maryland Health System Project
3. Senate Bill Sponsors		House Bill Sponsors
Senator John J. Hafer		Delegate George C. Edwards Allegany County Delegation
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)		5. Requested Amount
Allegany County		\$545,000
6. Purpose of Bill		
This bill authorizes a state grant to the Board of Directors of the Western Maryland Health System for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the emergency department to be located on Willowbrook Road, Cumberland, MD.		
7. Matching Fund Requirements		
The bill requires a matching fund that may consist of funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.		
8. Special Provisions		
No portion of the proceeds of the loan or any of the matching funds may be used for the furtherance of sectarian religious instruction, or in connection with the design, acquisition, or construction of any building used or to be used as a place of sectarian religious worship or instruction, or in connection with any program or department of divinity for any religious denomination.		
9. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization		
<p>Hospital Mission Statement: The mission of the Western Maryland Health System is to improve the health status and quality of life of the individuals and the community we serve, especially those in need. We provide patient and family centered services through responsible management of our human and fiscal resources.</p> <p>The Western Maryland Health System serves Allegany and Garrett Counties and portions of West Virginia and Pennsylvania. It provides a general acute care and a full range of medical, surgical, emergency and diagnostic services. The Health System operates the only Open Heart Surgery and Angioplasty service west of Baltimore. Further, the Health System operates the only acute psychiatric service within a 60 mile radius and is a Level III Trauma Service certified by MIEMSS.</p>		

10. Description and Purpose of Project

The current Emergency Departments are inadequately designed and out-moded in their ability to serve the much higher volume of patients requiring services for cardiac, psychiatric, and other types of emergency care. New construction will provide for better ambulance access, a chest pain/short-stay observation area, expanded treatment rooms and triage areas, improved accommodations for psychiatric/substance abuse patients, decontamination chamber and enhanced intake, registration and waiting areas. It is estimated that an additional 12,220 patients will visit the emergency department, increasing total visits to 70,412 per year.

The initiation of the Health System's Open Heart Surgery and Angioplasty programs created a much higher than anticipated demand for cardiac care. In fact, in the first year of operation, volumes of CABG and PTCA procedures exceeded second year program projections. It is estimated that there will be an additional 890 cardiac related visits for a total of 5,143 visits per year.

The Health System provides the only acute inpatient psychiatric care in Allegany and Garrett Counties. The hospital's Emergency Department is the primary site for psychiatric emergency and crisis intervention in the tri-state area. Within the past year volumes of psychiatric emergencies have increased over 50% in the hospital's Emergency Department. Facilities are inadequate to serve this volume of patients which will continue to increase. It is estimated that an additional 700 emergency mental health cases will be seen for a total of 2,343 cases per year.

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.

11. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	0
Design	750,444
Construction	6,253,697
Equipment	0
Total	7,004,141

12. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Source	Amount
Requested State Grant	545,000
Western Maryland Health System Foundation	75,000
WMHS Funds (cash)	6,384,141
Total	7,004,141

13. Project Schedule

Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
April 2005	December 2005	March 2006	February 2009

14. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2005		15. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site		16. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete	
\$75,000		58,192		70,412	
17. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years					
Legislative Session		Amount		Purpose	
1995		\$500,000		Frostburg Community Hospital Conversion	
18. Legal Name and Address of Grantee			Project Address (If Different)		
Western Maryland Health System			P.O. Box 539 Cumberland, MD 21501-0539		
19. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone		Email Address
Francis A. Pommert, Jr. Sr. Vice President/Executive Director			301.723.5236		fpommert@wmhs.com
Kimberly Repac Sr. Vice President/CFO			301.723.1604		krepac@wmhs.com
R. Kevin Turley Vice President, Planning & Construction Administration			301.723.6420		kturley@wmhs.com
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located					1
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)					
Local Govt.		For Profit		Non Profit	Federal
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Grantee Legal Representative			23. If Match Includes Real Property:		
Name:		Robert S. Paye, Esquire		Has An Appraisal Been Done?	
Phone:		301.777.1515		Yes/No	
Address:		N/A			
Geppert, McMullen, Paye & Getty		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value			
21 Prospect Square					
Cumberland, MD 21502					
24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site					
Current # of Employees		Projected # of Employees		Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
66		79		\$3,497,613	\$4,197,136
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	
N/A			
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	18,361		
Space to Be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	23,298		
27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion		none	
28. Comments:			