

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Folden	Pippy	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Frederick County	\$60,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo		
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
Senator William Folden		william.folden@senate.state.md.us
Mario Lawrence		9104480325
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>The Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo is run by the Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. whose mission is dedicated to broadening human understanding of the animal world by bringing people and animals together. This is achieved through immersion in naturalistic habitat recreations and educational programs using live animals and instructional tools both on-site at Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo and through presentations in the greater community. We strive to provide the highest level of competent care for its resident wildlife ambassadors and to support the conservation of their wild counterparts in unspoiled habitats. We are committed to this mission because we believe promoting harmonious coexistence of all species is our duty as stewards of the Earth</p>		

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
2/1/2024	3/31/2024	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
		70000	100000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2015 House Bill 71	\$50,000	Phase One Northwest Trek Conservation and Educati	
2016 Senate 0642	\$50,000	Northwest Trek Conservation and	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Global Wildlife Trust Inc 13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd Thurmont Md 21788		Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo 13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd Thurmont Md 21788	
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:	Callan Hahn, Director	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	3012714922		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd Thurmont Md 21788			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
60	75	1750000.00	2200000.00
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
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

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

With the expansion of our digital foot print into the web, Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo will be able to service well over the 250,000 guest that we project. With this impact we can use educational material on our website and bring it into the classroom. Possibilities of live cameras in animal habitats to educational apps for phones. With these live cameras students will be able to hold conversations in class and get to know species they may never get to experience in their life. This would allow us to not only reach people in our own backyard but will allow us to have a global footprint. We hope that this experience will also increase our donation stream into conversation projects for these species.

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This infrastructure update will give students and guests an immersive look and view of the our animals around the facility through out the year. Development of the technology along with the infrastructure allows us to connect to visitors we have not been able to touch before.

Since 1966, Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo has been a beloved Frederick County attraction, seeing 70 thousand visitors each year and hosting approximately 11,000 school children from around the area. Events like summer camps, family reunions and company picnics make the preserve an educational, community activity facility.