

# State Of Maryland

## 2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

<b>1. Name Of Project</b>		
Lions Camp Merrick		
<b>2. Senate Sponsor</b>	<b>3. House Sponsor</b>	
Charles County Senators	Charles County Delegation	
<b>4. Jurisdiction</b> (County or Baltimore City)	<b>5. Requested Amount</b>	
Charles County	\$325,000	
<b>6. Purpose of Bond Initiative</b>		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Lions Camp Merrick property		
<b>7. Matching Fund</b>		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
<b>8. Special Provisions</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
<b>9. Contact Name and Title</b>	<b>Contact Ph#</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Delegate Debra M. Davis		debra.davis@house.state.md.us
Charles Spadone		240-475-0684
<b>10. Description and Purpose of Organization</b> (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>LIONS CAMP MERRICK IS A SPECIAL NEEDS SUMMER CAMP SERVING CHILDREN THAT ARE HEARING IMPAIRED SIGHT IMPAIRED OR HAVE TYPE I DIABETES. ADDITIONALLY, SEVERAL RETREATS ARE CONDUCTED EACH YEAR TO ASSIST VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN COPING WITH THE EFFECTS OF PTSD. POPULATIONS ALSO SERVED ARE UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN IN CHARLES COUNTY AND SENIORS. NUMEROUS OTHER NON PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS UTILIZE OUR CAMP EACH YEAR. PLANS ARE UNDERWAY TO HOST CAMP FOR CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM CANCER AS WELL AS A CAMPING EXPERIENCE FOR CAREGIVERS WHO NEED SOME SUPPORT. HISTORICALLY, WE HAVE CONDUCTED NATURE PROJECTS WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS, 4H CLUBS AND EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS. GOING</p>		

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

OUR FACILITY HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE SINCE 1930 SERVING SPECIAL NEEDS POPULATIONS. OUR ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING SYSTEMS ARE OLD AND REQUIRING SIGNIFICANT MAINTENANCE/UPKEEP TO KEEP IN OPERATION. MODERNIZATION AND EXPANSION WILL ALLOW FOR CONTINUOUS OPERATION, REDUCE MAINTENANCE COSTS AS WELL AS ALLOW FOR EXPANSION OF FACILITIES TO CONSTRUCT 5 ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS. \$200,000 THIS FUNDING REQUEST ALSO INCLUDES \$175,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST OF THE 5 BUILDINGS. TOTAL PROJECT COST \$375,000. GRANT REQUEST \$325,000. PRIVATE FUNDRAISING \$50,000

*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**

<b>Acquisition</b>	
<b>Design</b>	\$50,000
<b>Construction</b>	\$325,000
<b>Equipment</b>	
<b>Total</b>	\$375,000

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

State of maryland Bond Bill Initiative	\$325,000
PRIVATE FUNDRAISING-LIONS CLUBS	\$50,000
<b>Total</b>	\$375,000

<b>14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
6/30/2025	12/31/2025	1/02/2026	1/02/2027
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised</b>	<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>	
50000	5,000	6,000	
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
2019 through 2023	\$312,500	Capital improvement of camp merrick to include	
		repaving of walkways to improve safety, new paving	
		renovation of interior of older buildings	
		NOTE: Some of these efforts are in process.	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
LIONS CAMP MERRICK INC P.O. box 56 Nanjemoy, Marayland 20662.		LIONS CAMP MERRICK 3650 Rick Hamilton Place Nanjemoy, Maryland 20662	
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>	28 - Charles County		
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
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<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Charles Spadone	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	2404750684		Yes
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
4702 Alcon Drive TEMPLE HILLS, Maryland 20748		AUGUST 2023	375000

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
22	22	616000	725000
<b>25. Ownership of Property</b> (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
<b>A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Lease
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			No
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
NOT APPLICABLE			
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
Waldorf Foundation	50 years	Yes	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>	20 ACRES CONTAIN BUILDINGS FOR		
<b>Space to be Renovated GSF</b>	20 ACRES CONTAINS CAMP		
<b>New GSF</b>	25 ACRES WHEN CONSIDERING NEW		

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

NOT APPLICABLE

**28. Comments**

GRANT IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING AND EXPANDING THE CAMP ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING SYSTEMS AS WELL AS FUNDING FOR THE FIRST OF 5 NEW BUILDINGS TO SUPPORT EXPANSION OF THE CAMP TO MEET INCREASED DEMAND. ESTIMATED COST OF PLUMBING RENOVATION AND EXPANSION \$200,000,.

ESTIMATED COST OF A NEW BUILDING \$175,000. TOTAL \$375,000 OF WHICH \$50,000 WILL COME FROM LOCAL LIONS CLUBS AND OTHER FUNDRAISING EFFORTS.

THE EFFECTS OF PANDEMIC, WHILE EASING, ARE STILL A LARGE FACTOR WHEN CONSIDERING OUR ABILITY TO MAINTAIN, LET ALONE IMPROVE OUR CAMP. CAMP DID NOT OPERATE FOR 2 YEARS AND EVENT RENTAL INCOME WAS ALMOST TOTALLY LOST. LOCAL LIONS CLUBS WHO HISTORICALLY PROVIDED FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE CAMP, COULD NOT DO SO BECAUSE THEY HAD TO CANCEL ALL OF THEIR FUNDRAISERS DURING THE PANDEMIC. WE HAVE MANAGED TO RAISE FUNDS TO COMPLETE OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS LIKE A RENOVATED SWIMMING POOL AT \$280,000 WHICH IS ESSENTIAL TO BEING ABLE TO HAVE CAMP.

THE ASSISTANCE THAT HAS BEEN REQUESTED WILL ALLOW US TO ACCELERATE OUR PLANS FOR MODERNIZING AND EXPANDING THE CAMP AND WILL HELP US TO AVOID DISRUPTION OF OPERATIONS DUE TO FAILURE OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.