State Of Maryland 2023 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project							
Many Individuals Helping Individuals (MIH	HI)						
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor						
	Baker						
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount						
Washington County	\$1,000,000						
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative							
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the MIHI facility							
7. Matching Fund							
Requirements:	Type:						
Grant							
8. Special Provisions							
[] Historical Easement	[X] Non-Sectarian						
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address					
Delegate William J. Wivell		william.wivell@house.state.md.					
William Beard		301-745-6444					
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)							
Many Individuals Helping Individuals' (MIHI, Inc) mission is assisting individuals with disabilities to enhance their quality of life by developing and supporting projects and educational programs that will eliminate physical and physicological barriers in the community with an emphasis on making recreational activities of all types accessible to all citizens regardless of their circumstance.							

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

A new inclusive playground specifically designed for children with physical and physiological challenges will replace an existing deteriorating playground. The new facility will be one of the few playgrounds in the county that allows all children to play alongside each other regardless of their physical ability. The existing facility and surfacing were installed over 20 years ago by MIHI and is deteriorating and in need of replacement. The new facility will correct American with Disability Act accessibility deficiencies and improve upon decades of knowledge in the design and creation of inclusive playgrounds. Inclusive playgrounds are designed to welcome children of all abilities to play, learn and grow in a multi-generational gathering space.

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	\$710,000
Equipment	\$500,000
Total	\$1,210,000
13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding source	es and amounts.)
Washington County CIP - Local Parks and Playground Fu	\$200,000
MIHI - fundraising	\$10,000
State Bond Initiative	\$1,000,000
Total	\$1,210,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)									
Begin Desi	ign	Com	plete	Design	Begi	in Construction		Complete Construction	
12/1/21		7/1/2	23		9/1/2	3		5/1/24	
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised			Se	16. Current Numl Served Annually a Site		at Project Serve		umber of People to be ed Annually After the ect is Complete	
10000.00			30	30000			40000		
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years								nrs	
Legislativ	ve Sess	ion	Aı	Amount		Purpose			
none									
19. Legal I	Name a	and A	ddre	ss of Gran	tee	Project Add	ress (It	f Different)	
Many Individuals Helping Individuals P.O. Box 3511					17901 Halfway Blvd Hagerstown, MD 21740				
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located 1C - Allegany a			and Washington Counties						
21. Legal S	Status	of Gr	antee	(Please C	heck (One)			
Local Govt. Fo		For I	or Profit		Non Profit		Federal		
[]	[]		[[]		[X]		[]	
22. Grantee Legal Representative			23. If Match Includes Real Property:						
Name:	Willia Direct		. Beard, Jr. Executive		Has An Appraisal Been Done?		Yes/No		
Phone:	301-7	45-64	44					No	
Address:			If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value						
P.O. Box 3511 Hagerstown, MD 21742									

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site								
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Curre	ent Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget				
0	0							
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?								
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?								
C. Does the grante	ee intend to lease any po	ortion of	the property to otl	ners?	No			
D. If property is o	wned by grantee any sp	pace is to	be leased, provide	the following	ng:			
	Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Square Covered Footage by Lease Leased					
E. If property is le	eased by grantee - Prov	ide the fo	llowing:					
N	ame of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew					
Washington	County Board of Cour	20 years	year to year as long as					
26. Building Squ	are Footage:							
Current Space G	SSF							
Space to be Reno	ovated GSF							
New GSF								

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

2002

28. Comments

MIHI is partnering with Washington County government on the project. Washington County has performed the site survey and playground design and worked with an equipment manufacturer on the equipment layout. The project would replace the existing MIHI playground and construct a unified inclusive playground on the site. Washington County will provide project procurement and manage the construction and assume the maintenance for the life of the equipment.

Marty Snook Park is the County's largest and busiest park. It serves not only the local community but the entire County and region. The County operates many programs that support and use the facility such as the summer recreation camp program, Tiny Tots, and has plans to offer more programming for citizens with disabilities in the community, but needs the facilities to support those efforts.

The location is ideal to support the community needs as it is centrally located in the park and geographically in Washington County where it already serves a large population. The site can be accessed from a nearby parking lot and/or the multiuse trail which connects the entire park to multiple community access locations. There is a nearby restroom and pavilion. It is near to other playground attractions such as the recently created Marty's Mythical Woods Natural Playground and will serve as a community and regional attraction.

Creating inclusive playgrounds requires more site work and consideration than traditional playgrounds to ensure the site meets ADA accessibility standards. The plan includes a poured in placed surface for easy mobility for individuals with ambulatory limitations, and perimeter fencing for autism and flight risk children to provide a safe and secure space where parents also feel comfortable. The playground includes a small pavilion with unimpeded views of the area, a 2-5 age and 6-12 equipment area, landscaping and rain garden, and a layout that incorporates the autism infinity symbol. These features are at an additional costs versus a traditional playground, but imperative to serve people with physical and physicological barriers. For this reason it is imperative that MIHI receive the additional funding for the project so that a true inclusive playground be constructed for the community.