



Josiah Henson Historic Park

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Category	M-NCPPC	Date Last Modified	11/20/25
SubCategory	Development	Administering Agency	M-NCPPC
Planning Area	North Bethesda-Garrett Park	Status	Under Construction

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	726	652	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Site Improvements and Utilities	6,986	6,275	711	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,712	6,927	785	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
Contributions	200	111	89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G.O. Bonds	5,313	5,092	221	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PAYGO	623	623	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Open Space	1,026	551	475	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Aid	550	550	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	7,712	6,927	785	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000s)

Impact Type	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32
Maintenance	2,364	394	394	394	394	394	394
NET IMPACT	2,364	394	394	394	394	394	394

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 27 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY16
Appropriation FY 28 Request	-	Last FY's Cost Estimate	7,712
Cumulative Appropriation	7,712		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	6,927		
Unencumbered Balance	785		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The approximately 4-acre park is located at 11420 Old Georgetown Road in the Luxmanor community of North Bethesda. The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate the existing Josiah Henson Park and create a heritage tourism destination. The project includes

converting the historic Riley/Bolten House to a public museum; constructing a new 2,900 square foot visitor center with bus-drop off area and four-car parking lot on the former Rozier property; and new landscape sitework and outdoor interpretation that will make the park more accessible for visitors and convey its former appearance as a plantation.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Pending Closeout

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Montgomery County Master Plan for Historic Preservation, 1979, identified the property as resource #30/6, "Uncle Tom's Cabin". Josiah Henson Special Park Master Plan, December 2010. Josiah Henson Park was the subject of an approved facility plan in June 2013. White Flint Sector Plan, April 2010; 2012 Park Recreation and Open Space (PROS) plan, July 2012.

OTHER

The completed project will be a first-class museum attracting visitors with its educational exhibits and programming.

FISCAL NOTE

FY20 Supplemental Appropriation of \$250k in State Aid. MNCPPC was awarded a State Bond Bill of \$100,000 in FY15. FY19 Maryland Heritage Area Grant of \$50,000. FY19 Special Appropriation added \$630k in G.O. Bonds, \$200k in State Aid, \$500k in Program Open Space, and reduced Contributions by \$650k (funding was also accelerated from FY20/21 into FY19).

DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project. M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Montgomery County Departments: Recreation, Permitting Services, Fire/Rescue, Transportation; State Highway Administration; Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority