Maryland
Department of General Services

FY 2023 Capital Budget Analysis
DGS Response

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Introduction

Good afternoon, Chair and Members of the Committee. For the record, I am Ellington Churchill, Secretary of the Department of General Services (DGS). On behalf of all the hard-working, dedicated employees at DGS, thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today regarding the Department’s capital budget. I would like to thank Mr. Patrick Frank for his analysis of the Department’s FY 2023 Capital Budget Request.

The Department of General Services has the key role of supporting the Capital infrastructure needs of those agencies we serve. The proposed $35 million in Capital Facilities Program funding will allow DGS to continue its ongoing capital facilities program.

The Department continues to provide efficient and effective customer service to our state agencies. To date in FY 2022, DGS has awarded over $60 million in new projects and completed more than $50 million of ongoing capital projects. Currently we have 134 projects in design that equates to a construction value of more than $755 million.

DGS has delivered the following Statewide results, to date in FT 2022:

- The Department has completed conditions assessments on more than 60% of State-owned facilities of which DGS is responsible for the procurement of construction services. DGS is on track to complete the first round of assessments of State-owned facilities that DGS supports, not including DNR, by the end of calendar year 2022.
- The DGS Office of Energy and Sustainability continues to engage graduate students from the University of Maryland to conduct energy audits in State-owned facilities. The students have completed audits on over 1 million square feet in FY 2022 and are scheduling audits on an additional 1.8 million square feet. This Office is also managing the installation of more than 120 electric vehicle charging stations in FY 2022 that will support the incoming State EV fleet.
- DGS successfully completed a systemic renovation of the Atman-Glazer building located at 45 Calvert Street in Annapolis.

DGS continues to focus on maintaining the State’s existing infrastructure through prudent use of the resources available in the Facilities Renewal fund. The Building Assessment Unit within DGS has gathered facility level information that is being used to help develop and manage the project backlog from a data driven, real time perspective.

This Department of 656 employees is working diligently to maximize its stewardship of Maryland resources. We proudly provide these and other services, on behalf of the citizens of Maryland, making it possible for our state government to function efficiently, effectively, and in a safe and secure environment.
PAYGO Recommended Actions

1. Approve $75,000,000 in general funds budgeted in the Dedicated Purpose Account for the Facilities Renewal Fund.

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GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Approve $5,000,000 in general obligation bonds for the Construction Contingency Fund. This is $2,500,000 more than the 2021 Capital Improvement Program and reflects higher inflationary expectations and supply chain issues.

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2. Approve $35,000,000 in general obligation bonds for the Facilities Renewal Fund.

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3. Approve $1,000,000 in general obligation bonds for the Fuel Storage Tank Replacement program.

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4. Approve $26,123,000 in general obligation bonds to continue design and begin construction of the restoration of the exterior and grounds of the Maryland State House and Old Treasury buildings.

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5. Approve the $28,884,000 in general obligation bonds for renovations to 2100 Guilford Avenue.

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6. Approve the $12,070,000 preauthorization for State House exterior and grounds renovation.

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7. Approve the $18,286,000 preauthorization for renovations to Guilford Avenue.

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