



Community Health and Safety Works - Cameras, Lighting and Related Safety Services

2024

AGENDA:

- Funding Category Focus: Cameras, Lighting and Related Safety Services
- Overview of Grant Application
- Brief Q&A about the Application Process



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Community Health and Safety Works

Visit the Community Health and Safety Works (CHSW) landing page on the DHCD website:

dhcd.maryland.gov/Communities/Pages/csw/

FY24 CHSW Round

- **Funding:** \$10 million available for projects in Baltimore City and Sustainable Community Areas elsewhere in the state.
- **Timeline:**
 - March 21, 2024: Application opened in the Maryland OneStop
 - **March 28, 2024 10am - 11am: Cameras and Lighting Virtual Training**
 - April 2, 2024 11am - 12pm: Technical Assistance Virtual Training
 - April 3, 2024 10am - 11am: Placemaking/Environmental Justice Virtual Training
 - April 25, 2024: Applications closing in OneStop at 11:59pm
 - June 2024: Awards will be announced
 - December 31, 2025: Grant term will end

Who Can Apply

Eligible Applicants:

- Tax exempt nonprofits
- Community-based organizations with a nonprofit fiscal sponsor
- Local government

Eligible Areas: Projects should be located in Baltimore City or within designated **Sustainable Communities Areas** elsewhere in the state. Use the [DHCD Neighborhood Revitalization Mapper](#) website to identify if the project addresses are located in an eligible area.

Community Health and Safety Works

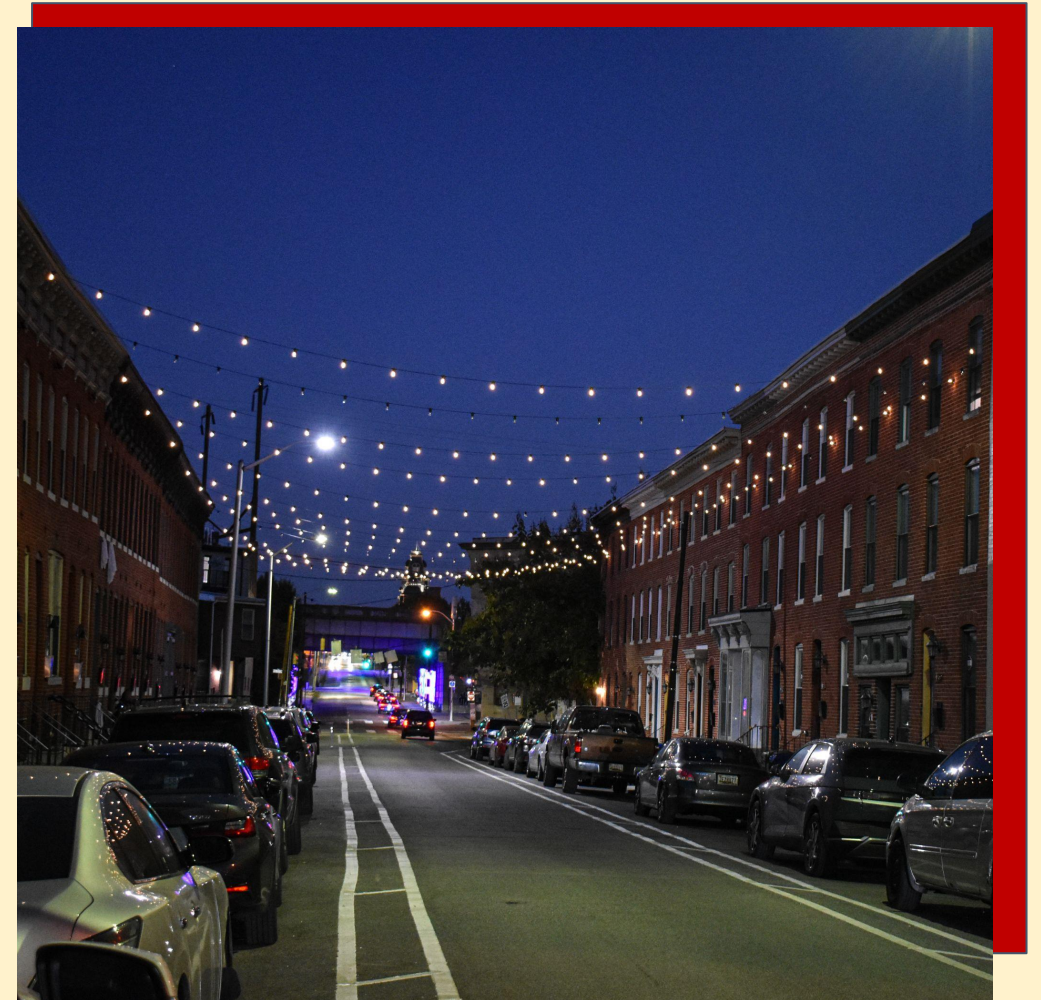
- Applications in the following categories:
 - 1. Community Placemaking**
 - 2. Environmental Health and Justice**
 - 3. Cameras, Lighting and Related Safety Services**
 - 4. Technical Assistance for CHSW Initiatives**
- Optional technical assistance available to awardees.
- Applicants can apply to each track one time.



Cameras, Lighting and Related Safety Services

Cameras, Lighting and Related Safety Services

- Eligible projects will address illegal and dangerous activities from communities through **lighting, camera surveillance strategies** and **related community safety services**
- Grants between **\$35,000 - \$100,000**



Example

Ellwood Park, Baltimore String Lights & “Get Lit” Block Party



“Get Lit” block party on 500 Block of N. Robinson Street



String lights on 500 Block of N. Robinson Street

Examples

Havre de Grace's lighted treescape



Alleyway lighting from Downtown Frederick Partnership

Who owns your target site?

SDAT Real Property Data Search:

<https://sdat.dat.maryland.gov/RealProperty/Pages/default.aspx>

If your project is located on land owned by Baltimore City Department of Parks and Recreation, you must submit a required form and have approval by the application submission date:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZwqzNqil1dCUbZyafQUvZqcryG47xNde/edit>

Baltimore City's CitiWatch Community Partnership

Private Cameras and the CitiWatch Community Partnership:

BCIT/BPD encourages community organizations to apply for funding to purchase and install private cameras within their community. These cameras can be registered with the CitiWatch Community Partnership. BPD will have access to a list of registrant participants through an application so that they are able to contact camera owners to request footage. There is no live access by BPD/BCIT of these types of cameras.

CitiWatch Community Partnership:

<https://cityservices.baltimorecity.gov/citiwatchresident>

Baltimore City's CitiWatch Community Partnership

CitiWatch Cameras:

- Communities who are interested in applying for a CitiWatch camera that would be donated to the City and integrated into the network of existing cameras must coordinate with BCIT/BPD during the application process. This is a more elongated process that may cover a significant portion of the award period.
- Applicants should contact BCIT/BPD to discuss locations based on feasibility and need in advance of applying.
- **Contact: elise.gillespie@baltimorecity.gov**

Things to Consider:

1. Take time to understand target locations with community input, and keep in mind parameters like site control, impact to adjacent spaces, and access to electrical services
2. Some projects require adding electrical to private property and require property permission and rights of entry; be prepared to describe any additional electrical costs that the property owner may take on
3. For camera projects, prepare for conversations and the preparation of MOUs about monitoring and maintenance
4. Plan out who will carry liability insurance early on, if needed
5. Don't build too much too soon so that community doesn't feel ownership over, and that the project cannot be maintained
6. Identify enthusiastic partners early who have a shared mission and can help build support so your project is part of a larger improvement effort in your community

Application

Application Questions: Organizational Summary

1. Organizational Summary

a. What is your organization's official mission statement and purpose?

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b. Provide your organization's recent accomplishments (2021 thru 2023) in the areas targeted by this application.

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0/1000 max characters

c. Describe how your staff and/or Board demographically represent the community you serve. Consider demographics broadly including race, language, gender identity, age, socioeconomic status, ability/disability, etc. If your staff and Board do not demographically represent the community you serve, please describe strategies or initiatives that you plan to implement to ensure your staff and Board better reflect the community.

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What is your organization's current financial situation? Please describe the organization's ability to continue operations while managing and maintaining projects and activities for which you are requesting funding. Include an explanation about how your organization has managed prior grant awards and tracked grant expenses. If you are working with a fiscal sponsor, please answer this section from their perspective.

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- Mission
- Recent accomplishments
- Demographics and diversity
- Financial situation

Application Questions: Describe Current Conditions

2. Community Conditions

a. Describe the location of this project and the need to deter crime and promote community safety within the targeted area. Cite specific locations and issues and/or incidents that have impacted the area. Also provide crime statistics related to the violent crime and other illegal activity that you have described.

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Maryland Data Sources for Crime Statistics

Maryland Statistical Analysis Center

Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention

Violent Crime & Property Crime by Municipality

Maryland Open Data Portal

❑ Community Conditions

Maryland Data Sources for Crime Statistics:

- ❑ [Maryland Statistical Analysis Center](#)
- ❑ [Violent Crime & Property Crime by Municipality](#)

* *Maryland Data Sources for Crime Statistics will be available on grant landing page*

Application Questions: Project Information

3. Project Information

a. Provide a summary of your project.

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b. Provide a primary project address. All project addresses must be located within Baltimore City or within the boundaries of a designated Sustainable Community Area elsewhere in the state. Use the [DHCD Neighborhood Revitalization Mapper](#) website to identify if the project addresses are located in an eligible area.

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g. Describe the status of site control for the project and any permits or approvals needed to complete the project. If you have evidence of site control or permits and approvals for your project, please upload below.

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e. Describe the need to deter crime and/or promote health and safety in the project location. What is the community challenge or need this project seeks to address? What evidence has your organization found that this project will be effective in overcoming the community challenges? Why is this project preferred for the community over other options?

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f. Describe why this project is important to your organization's strategy to prevent and reduce crime and improve safety. In this section, include how this project contributes to creating a more equitable community. Equitable communities are often defined as ones where everyone is included in the full benefits of society, treated with fairness and justice, and empowered to participate fully in social, cultural, and economic life.

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h. What is your plan for maintaining this project after the grant period ends.

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Application Questions: Project Results

4. Project Results

a. List specific, measurable and realistic goals for this project and describe the activities you will implement related to those goals. Please list one goal and activities required to achieve the goal in the field below, then click "Add Another Goal" to list an additional goal and corresponding activities.

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c. How will you track progress and evaluate the anticipated outcomes? List specific metrics.

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Easy to follow process for tracking progress

b. List the outcomes for this project. Each outcome statement should be specific and measurable and describe changes in knowledge, attitudes, skills, and behaviors that occur as a result of your project. Please list one outcome in the field below, then click "Add Another Outcome" to list your outcomes separately. Please list one outcome per field.

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- Be clear and concise in goals, activities and outcomes
- Be realistic in scope

Application Questions: Project Engagement

5. Project Engagement

a. Describe the level of community engagement and planning for the project that has been completed to date. If this is a new project, explain how community members will be involved in shaping the project.

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- Include diverse voices from the community

- List of partners - community partners a plus

- Dropdown menu of technical assistance options

Will you have one or more partners that will help your organization implement the proposed project?*

Yes

No

c. If needed, DHCD will offer technical assistance to awardees as they conceive and implement their projects.

c.1 Do you anticipate needing technical assistance for your project?*

Yes

No

Additional Sections: Budget & Timeline

4) Use of Funds

a. List separately each item/activity, including the dollar amount, which will be supported by this grant request. Be specific DO NOT write "Misc Expenses" or "Other".

The minimum grant request amount is \$35,000 and the maximum grant request amount is \$100,000

Item/Activity*	Requested Amount:*
<input type="text"/>	\$ 0.00
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TOTAL REQUESTED AMOUNT:*	
\$ 0.00	

b. Budget Narrative: Describe the significant budget line items and how they contribute to addressing the project's outcomes.*

- Research before finalizing budget

5) TIMELINE

a. Timeline: Complete the table below including dates for key milestones.

Milestone*	Expected Date of Completion*
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b. Describe the timeline milestones and how they contribute to addressing the project's outcomes.*

- Remember: up to 18 months for grant period
- Include dates for implementation and installation

Specific Project Questions?

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Q&A

(overall questions about the application process)

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