COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2026 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-053-2026

Chapter No. 26

Proposed and Presented by The Chair (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Hunter, Blegay and Fisher

Co-Sponsors

Date of Introduction May 26, 2026

BILL

AN ACT concerning

Borrowing to Finance Capital Projects for
County Buildings

For the purpose of authorizing Prince George's County, Maryland, to borrow money upon its full faith and credit at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $117,848,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of County Buildings including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, prescribing terms and conditions upon which bonds issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing generally for the issuance of such bonds and providing for such borrowing to be submitted to a referendum of the legal voters of the County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that Prince George's County, Maryland (the "County"), is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 323 of the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland (the "Charter"), to borrow money and incur indebtedness upon its full faith and credit, at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $117,848,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of, County Buildings, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the

acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, all such capital projects hereby being found to be (and also being in fact) of the same generic class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2027-2032, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth herein:

Project Number	Project Name
3.31.0003	PRINCE GEORGE'S HOMELESS SHELTER
3.31.0004	SHEPHERD'S COVE FAMILY SHELTER
3.70.0001	REGIONAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTER
4.31.0001	COUNTY BUILDING RENOVATIONS II
4.31.0002	COURTHOUSE RENOVATIONS AND SECURITY UPGRADES
4.31.0003	COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING REFRESH
4.70.0001	HEALTH FACILITIES RENOVATIONS
5.31.0002	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENERGY MODERNIZATION
8.31.0005	WARM NIGHTS HOMELESS SHELTER

Reference to the County's capital program for the years 2027-2032 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that any general obligation bonds to be issued pursuant to this Act shall be issued and sold pursuant to Bond Issue Authorization Ordinances adopted in accordance with Sections 323 and 823 of the Charter and other applicable provisions of MD. CODE ANN., LOCAL GOV'T. §§ 19-205 to 19-206, as amended, replaced, or re-codified from time to time, but the County shall sell such bonds only by solicitation of competitive bids therefor at public sale in such manner and after giving such public notice as the County Council may by ordinance determine. Such bonds may be sold for such price or prices as may be determined to be for the best interest of the County, either at, above or below the par value of any such bonds, and such bonds may be sold in conjunction with other series of bonds issued by the County in which event the notice of sale soliciting bids for the purchase of such bonds may require that the acceptance of any bid for any series of bonds be made contingent upon the acceptance of the bid or bids on all or any of the series being offered by the County for

sale at the same time. When such bonds are sold in conjunction with other series of bonds, the said notice of sale may also require that consolidated bids shall be submitted on any two or more of such series of bonds.

Nothing in this Act shall in any way limit the authority provided for the refunding of County indebtedness by MD. CODE ANN., LOCAL GOV'T. §§ 19-205 to 19-206, as amended or supplemented from time to time or by any other applicable law, and all such authority is intended to be available to the County to refund any indebtedness incurred pursuant to this Act to the maximum extent provided by such authority.

Such bonds may be issued in an amount sufficient to finance the costs of the County Buildings and the cost of issuance of the bonds. Prior to the application of the proceeds of such bonds to finance the costs of the County Buildings, the cost of issuance of such bonds for such County Buildings may be deducted from such proceeds.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the County, for their approval or disapproval, at the general election to be held in the County on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The question to be certified to the Board of Supervisors of Elections of the County for inclusion on the ballot for said general election shall be in substantially the following form:

QUESTION

BOND ISSUE

COUNTY BUILDINGS BONDS

This measure will enable the County to borrow money by issuing bonds of up to $117,848,000 to pay for the design, construction, acquisition, improvement, or repair of County Buildings.

A vote "for" this measure will allow the County to borrow money by issuing bonds to pay for County buildings. A vote "against" this measure will prevent the County from borrowing money by issuing bonds to pay for County buildings.

For the Referred Law

Against the Referred Law

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the powers granted by this Act are additional and cumulative and the bonds to be issued pursuant to this Act may be issued, notwithstanding that other bond acts or laws may provide for the issuance of other bonds or the borrowing of money for the same or similar purposes on the same or other terms and conditions. This Act shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes, namely, to authorize the borrowing of money and the incurring of indebtedness to finance the described capital projects of the same generic class set forth in this Act. Provisions of this Act shall be deemed met and satisfied if there is substantial compliance with such provisions, including (without limitation) provisions relating to the submission of any question to the legal voters of the County which are intended only to provide fair and adequate notice to such voters and not to prescribe provisions which must be literally satisfied. This Act is not intended to provide or imply that this act or any prior act not containing a similar provision precludes the County from exercising any power or prerogative provided by this Act or any other law whether exercised solely pursuant to such other law or in conjunction with the powers provided by this Act so that, without limiting the generality of this section, the County may exercise the power to issue (i) bond anticipation notes (in anticipation of the issuance of bonds pursuant to this Act or otherwise) and grant anticipation notes pursuant to MD. CODE ANN., LOCAL GOV'T. [§§ 19-205 to 19-206,] § 19-212, as amended, replaced, or re-codified from time to time, and (ii) bonds (or any related bond anticipation or other notes) authorized by MD. CODE ANN., LOCAL GOV'T. §§ 19-205, [to] 19-206, and §19-212, as amended, replaced, or re-codified from time to time, and in exercising such powers, the County may sell such notes or bonds at private (negotiated) sale as authorized by these or any other applicable laws.

SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection, or section.

SECTION 6. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall become effective immediately upon the date of the official certification of its approval by the voters at said general election.

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2026.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Krystal Oriadha
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: 6/25/2026 BY: _____
Aisha N. Braveboy
County Executive