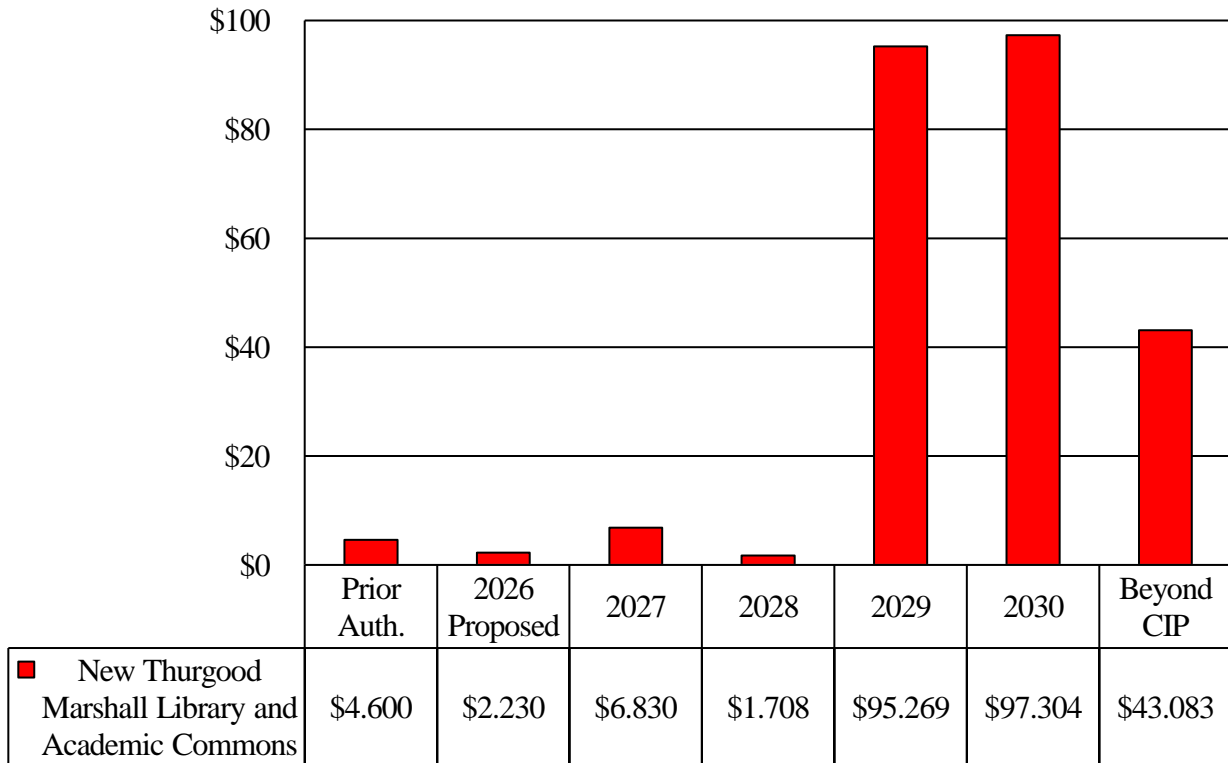


**RB23**  
**Bowie State University – Capital**  
**University System of Maryland**

## ***Capital Budget Summary***

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**State-owned *Capital Improvement Program***  
**(\$ in Millions)**



CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*

Note: All funding is from general obligation bond funds.

## ***Key Observations***

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- ***New Academic Commons and Library Project Schedule:*** The project has moved up in the *Capital Improvement Program* (CIP), and design is scheduled to begin in fiscal 2026. This project has received \$4.6 million in prior authorizations for design funds.

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## ***GO Bond Recommended Actions***

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1. Approve all authorizations for Bowie State University.

### **Updates**

- ***New Communication Arts and Humanities Building:*** The fiscal 2025 capital budget included funding to complete the new Martin Luther King Jr. Center, which serves as the Communication Arts and Humanities building. This project has been completed and opened in August 2024.

## ***Summary of Fiscal 2026 Funded State-owned Projects***

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### **New Thurgood Marshall Library and Academic Commons**

**Project Summary:** This project will construct a new Academic Commons to replace the existing Thurgood Marshall Library, which is not cost-effective to renovate. The existing 47-year-old library has never had a significant renovation, and its mechanical and electrical systems have exceeded their useful lives. In addition, the roof and building envelope are compromised, resulting in water intrusion. The current facility is too small to accommodate the growth in university enrollment. The new building will have larger seating capacity and include individual and group study space. The 2023 CIP programmed initial design funds for fiscal 2027, with a total estimated project cost of \$120.0 million. However, Bowie State University (BSU) submitted a revised program plan to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) that increased the scope of the project and project cost to an estimated \$200 million in the 2024 CIP. The 2025 CIP increases the estimated cost to \$251 million and accelerates the design funding schedule to provide additional design funds in fiscal 2026, which were not scheduled in the 2024 CIP.

New/Ongoing: New								
Start Date: July 2025					Est. Completion Date: January 2031			
Fund Sources:								
(\$ in Millions)	Prior Auth.	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Beyond CIP	Total
GO Bonds	\$4.600	\$2.230	\$6.830	\$1.708	\$95.269	\$97.304	\$43.083	\$251.024
Total	\$4.600	\$2.230	\$6.830	\$1.708	\$95.269	\$97.304	\$43.083	\$251.024

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<b>Fund Uses:</b>								
<b>(\$ in Millions)</b>	<b>Prior Auth.</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>2030</b>	<b>Beyond CIP</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Planning</b>	\$4.600	\$2.230	\$6.830	\$1.708	\$6.102	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$21.470
<b>Construction</b>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	86.167	86.167	43.083	172.334
<b>Equipment</b>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	3.000	11.137	0.000	14.137
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4.600</b>	<b>\$2.230</b>	<b>\$6.830</b>	<b>\$1.708</b>	<b>\$95.269</b>	<b>\$97.304</b>	<b>\$43.083</b>	<b>\$251.024</b>

- **Need:** The existing library is not American Disabilities Act compliant. The electrical, mechanical, and plumbing systems have exceeded their expected lifespans and have never been updated. Due to increased enrollment, portions of the library have been reallocated to serve other purposes, such as the Information Technology department, the Comptroller, Institutional Advancement, and Continuing Education. Seating capacity in the library has decreased approximately 70%.
- **Project Status and Schedule:** The 2024 CIP scheduled the project to begin in fiscal 2027, but the project has moved up to receive funding in fiscal 2026. The project received Part I program approval in June 2024. Pending approval of the facilities Part II program by DBM, BSU anticipates beginning the procurement process in mid-April and for design to begin in mid-October. BSU submitted the Part II program in December 2024, and it is currently in the process of review by DBM. **Exhibit 1** compares this project's 2024 and 2025 CIP funding schedules. The project has increased by \$51 million, which brings it in line with the agency's 2024 CIP request. While the project has moved up in the CIP from fiscal 2027 to 2026, construction is still not scheduled to begin until fiscal 2029. However, design is not expected to begin until mid-October and will likely take 27 months. Without any delays, construction will not be able to start until the end of fiscal 2028. It is common for projects that are not expected to start late in a fiscal year and the planned construction to be postponed to the next fiscal year. The 2024 CIP anticipated construction to begin in December 2028, lasting for 24 months. The 2025 CIP expects construction to start in July 2028, for a duration of 30 months. While construction is expected to start at an earlier date, the project will most likely be completed around the same time.

**Exhibit 1**  
**Comparison of 2024 and 2025 Capital Improvement Program**  
**Funding Schedule**  
**Fiscal 2025-2029**  
**(\$ in Millions)**

	<b><u>Prior</u></b> <b><u>Auth.</u></b>	<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>	<b><u>2028</u></b>	<b><u>2029</u></b>	<b><u>Out-years</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
2024 CIP	\$4.600	\$0.000	\$0.213	\$5.776	\$54.127	\$135.497	\$200.213
2025 CIP	4.600	2.230	6.830	1.708	95.269	140.387	251.024
2024 to 2025 Change	0.000	2.230	6.617	-4.068	41.142	4.890	50.811

CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*

Source: Fiscal 2025 *Capital Improvement Program*

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