



**Meeting Date**  
March 18, 2026

# BROOKE'S BPW BRIEF

**Breaking down the Board of Public Works**



COMPTROLLER of MARYLAND

S E R V I N G T H E P E O P L E

## AIRFIELD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT BWI

The BPW approved a request from the Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) to award Myers-Flanigan JV (Fallston, MD) a construction contract to rehabilitate **Runway 10-28** and the runway intersection of **Runway 15R-33L** at **BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport**.

The six-month contract was awarded at a cost of **\$83.8 million**.

Last month, the Federal Aviation Administration issued a temporary ground stop after MAA personnel identified localized pavement failure at the intersection of BWI's two primary runways, which posed a serious threat to the traveling public.

**Investments like this are critical and essential to maintain safe, reliable, and fully operational service.**

## Summary Figures

The BPW approved 83 items, representing a total State expenditure of \$1.4 billion, including:

- 12 grant agreements for projects located in 7 counties and Baltimore City.
- 5 items awarding \$2.4 million to prime certified small businesses.
- 6 items awarding \$2.5 to certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) primes.
- 8 items awarded with established participation goals for MBEs.
- 2 items awarded with a goal for Veteran-owned Small Businesses.

## ELEVATING ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY

The BPW approved **\$1.5 million** in capital grant funding to the Board of Directors of the Rachel Carson Place of Wonder to plan and redevelop a vacant, historic building in Silver Spring into the **Springsong Museum: a new, world-class community space dedicated to the work of Rachel Carson**.

Carson, a former resident of Montgomery County, is regarded for launching the modern environmental movement following the publication of her **1962 book Silent Spring**.

## STRENGTHENING STEWARDSHIP OF SCENIC FARMLAND

The BPW approved a request from the Department of Natural Resources to grant **\$124,566.15** in Rural Legacy Program funding to the Lower Shore Land Trust to acquire a nearly **50-acre conservation easement in Somerset County**.

Acquisition of the easement, located with the Dividing Creek Rural Legacy Area, will preserve productive agricultural lands contributing to the local resource-based economy while **protecting scenic road frontage on Follow Ditch Road**.