

# News Release

## Board of Public Works Approves \$265 Million in State Expenditures

*Comptroller Lierman commends state agencies for climate actions in the renovation of Baltimore office space, lease renewal*

**ANNAPOLIS, Md. (January 17, 2024)** — The Maryland Board of Public Works (BPW) today approved more than \$265 million for 60 initiatives and projects across Maryland. Four approved items worth more than \$3.72 million were awarded to certified small business prime contractors, and three items worth \$2.2 million were awarded to minority business enterprises (MBEs).

During the meeting, Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman commended the Department of General Services (DGS) and Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) for their work to renew a 20-year lease for office and laboratory space and to update the space to advance the goals of the Climate Solutions Now Act and lessen the building's climate impact.

"I wanted to applaud MDE and DGS for working together to not only renew their lease, which is excellent – but to provide an example of how we can advance the goals of the Maryland Climate Solutions Now Act by transitioning that building and those offices," Comptroller Lierman said.

"I appreciate your work to think creatively with the landlord about how to move these buildings to conformity and electricity. Thank you for your work, and I look forward to seeing more contracts like this."

The building in Southwest Baltimore has housed the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) since 2002. The building will be the first within the state's leased properties portfolio to receive a \$10 million renovation for an all-electric infrastructure that includes installing solar panels, a green roof, and a greywater system.

More information about today's agenda can be found at <https://bpw.maryland.gov/>

**###**  
**Media Contacts**

**Robyne McCullough**  
[rmccullough@marylandtaxes.gov](mailto:rmccullough@marylandtaxes.gov)  
410-980-0139 (cell)

**Barbara Sauers**  
[bsauers@marylandtaxes.gov](mailto:bsauers@marylandtaxes.gov)  
410-212-9414 (cell)

## Office Location

Goldstein Treasury Building 80 Calvert St. Annapolis, MD 21401



[Unsubscribe](#) | [Share on Facebook](#) | [Share on Twitter](#)