

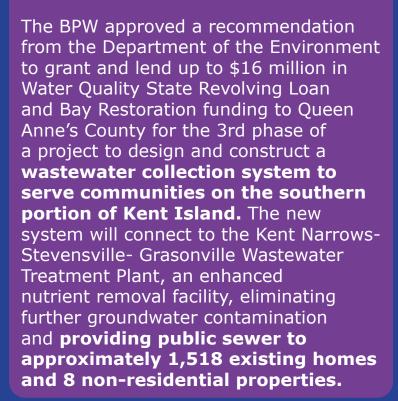
## **BROOKE'S BPW BRIEF**

Breaking down the Board of Public Works

#### **Meeting Date**

February 14, 2024

# KENT ISLAND SANITARY PROJECT



# ADMINISTERING PUBLIC | HEALTH SERVICES

The BPW approved a request from the Department of Health to award Carelon Behavioral Health, Inc. (Boston, MA) a \$239.9 million, 70 month contract to serve as the Administrative Services Organization (ASO) for the state's Public Behavioral Health System. The vendor will manage claims processing, reimbursement, provider training and compliance, and auditing associated with mental and substance use services. They have committed to achieving 18% MBE and 4.38% VSBE subcontracting for the project.

#### **Summary Figures**

The BPW approved 73 items, representing a total State expenditure of \$356 million including:

- Grant agreements for 19 projects located in 9 counties and Baltimore City with a total value of \$7.1 million.
- 5 items awarding \$15.8 million to prime certified small businesses.
- 3 items awarding \$11 million to prime Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs).
- 9 items awarded with established participation goals for MBEs.
- 3 items awarded with established participation goals for Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprises (VSBE).
- 3 items awarding \$2.5 million to Employment Works program providers.

### **HVAC EFFICIENCY**



The BPW approved a request from the Department of General Services to award CRW Mechanical, Inc. (Lanham, MD) a 6-month, \$634,000 contract to replace 8 air handling units at the Joseph D. Carter District Court & Multi-Service Center in St. Mary's County.

Air handling units are part of the HVAC system. The new units are designed to exceed the International Energy Conservation Code 2018 guidelines by at least 15%. The new system will be significantly more efficient, reducing energy consumption and carbon emissions.

The vendor has committed to achieving 30% MBE subcontracting, well above the 10% goal established for the project.