BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS2023 YEAR END ACTION REPORT



Brooke E. Lierman Comptroller of Maryland

BY THE NUMBERS

The BPW met 23 times during calendar year 2023 and took the following actions:

1,995

items approved

\$7.6 billion state expenditures

533

new contracts

\$3 billion

state expenditures

1,462

modifications, renewals, grants, settlements

\$4.6 billion

state expenditures

175

new prime contracts to certified small businesses

\$381 million

The Small Business Reserve Program

sets a 15% annual goal for all State procurement expenditures with certified small businesses.

93 new prime contracts to MBEs

\$242 million

169 18%

new contracts with MBE goals

average MBE subcontracting goal for new contracts

The *Minority Business Enterprise Program (MBE)* sets a 29% annual goal for State procurement expenditures with certified MBEs as prime or subcontractors.

Top spend by contract type in 2023

\$1.5 billion Service

\$1.15 billion Architectural/ Engineering

\$1.1 billion Construction

Top spend by agency in 2023

\$1.14 billion Maryland Transit Administration

\$886 million State Highway Administration

\$560 million Department of Human Services

The BPW consists of Governor Wes Moore, Treasurer Dereck Davis and Comptroller Brooke Lierman. The Board meets every two weeks and is responsible for approving most contracts over \$200,000, overseeing the issuance of bonds, acquiring and transferring State property, approving wetlands licenses and placebased investing programs (see below).

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PLACE-BASED INVESTMENT PROGRAMS

The Capital Grants Program

provides funding to local governments and nonprofits for projects such as community centers, health facilities, museums, and affordable housing.

In 2023, the BPW approved \$297 million for 386 projects.

Program Open Space

preserves natural areas for public use and to protect watersheds and wildlife through land acquisition and conservation easements. Often, this land is used to expand existing public parks and create new parks. In 2023, the BPW approved \$81.5 million for 158 projects.

Local Parks and Playgrounds Infrastructure Program

restores and creates parks and green space systems.

In 2023, the BPW approved \$29.7 million for 97 projects.

Community Parks and Playgrounds

provides funding to Maryland's cities and towns to rehabilitate and build parks and playgrounds.

In 2023, the BPW approved \$2.5 million for 20 projects.

Rural Legacy Program

preserves large, contiguous tracts of land to enhance natural resources, agricultural, forestry and environmental protection. In 2023, the BPW approved \$17.3 million for 34 projects.

