

STRENGTHENING MARYLAND'S COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION EFFORTS WITH A STATE HISTORIC TAX CREDIT

HB27/SB289 Historic Revitalization Tax Credit FUNDING + EXTENSION



Revitalize
Reuse
Reinvest

Why is this legislation necessary?

Maryland must adequately fund the community revitalization programs that work. The Historic Tax Credit (HTC) funds the rehabilitation of both large and smaller scale historic projects.

Chronic Underfunding Hamstrings the Program: The economic benefits of the historic tax credit in Maryland cannot be impactful without adequate funding to the program.

Rehabilitation Projects Pay for Themselves: The HTC has a well demonstrated 8:1 return on investment for the state, and creates 72 jobs per \$1M in credits. When buildings are rehabilitated, they pay more in local taxes which support better schools, roads, and healthcare without the need for more state dollars.

Need to Encourage Investment in Our Oldest Communities: The program leverages private investment in historic neighborhood revitalization projects.

Helping Businesses Big and Small: There are shovel-ready projects across the state that cannot move forward without more funding for this program.

What does this legislation do?

Creates the Small Commercial Project Trust Account and mandates at least \$4M in annual funding beginning FY24

Mandates funding to the Reserve Fund for Large Commercial Historic Tax Credit projects

\$24M in FY25 and FY26

\$36M in FY27 through FY31