

(i) ~~[84.2%]~~ 75% ~~83.5%~~ for the purposes specified in Title 5, Subtitle 9 of the Natural Resources Article (Program Open Space);

(ii) ~~[13.2%]~~ 22.4% ~~14.5%~~ for the Agricultural Land Preservation Fund established under § 2-505 of the Agriculture Article; and

(iii) ~~2.6%~~ 2% for the Heritage Conservation Fund established under Title 5, Subtitle 15 of the Natural Resources Article.

Article — Agriculture

2-505.

~~(e) If a portion of a local subdivision's allocation of program open space funds is transferred to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Fund pursuant to the provisions of § 5-903 of the Natural Resources Article, the Foundation may utilize such transferred funds only for purchases of easements on land located within the boundaries of the subdivision which requested the transfer of funds. Such transferred open space funds shall be available in addition to any funds which would otherwise be allotted under this subtitle for purchases of easements in the county which requested the transfer of funds; and at the discretion of the local governing body, such transferred open space funds may be used for general purchases, or applied as the local contribution in matching purchases as required in §§ 2-508(a)(3) and 2-512(b)(1) of this subtitle.~~

Article — Natural Resources

5-903.

~~(a) One half of the funds shall be used for recreation and open space purposes by the Department and the Historic St. Mary's City Commission. Except as otherwise provided in this section, any funds the General Assembly appropriates to the State under this subsection shall be used only for land acquisition projects. A portion of the State's share of funds available under this program shall be utilized to make grants to Baltimore City for projects which meet park purposes. The grants shall be in addition to any funds Baltimore City is eligible to receive under subsection (b) of this section, and may be used for acquisition or development. In order for Baltimore City to be eligible for a State grant, the Department shall review projects or land to be acquired within Baltimore City, and upon the Department's recommendation, the Board of Public Works may approve projects and land including the cost. Title to the land shall be in the name of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City. The State is not responsible for costs involved in the development or maintenance of the land.~~

~~(b) The General Assembly shall appropriate the other half of the funds to assist local governing bodies in acquisition and development of land for recreation and open space purposes.~~

~~(c) A committee, appointed by the Governor, shall prepare and adopt an apportionment formula relating to the percent of the total funds each subdivision will receive. The committee consists of two members of the Senate, three members of the House of Delegates, and four members of the public at large. The Director of the Maryland Office of Planning and the Secretary shall serve as advisers to the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually to review and update the apportionment~~