

SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
January 26, 2012

UNITED STATES

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 26, 2012**

**SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	000-19065	52-1532952
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer
of incorporation)		Identification No.)

**17801 Georgia Avenue, Olney, Maryland 20832**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(301) 774-6400**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 26, 2012, Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. issued a news release announcing its results of operations and financial condition for the quarter ended December 31, 2011. A copy of the news release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibits

Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 26, 2012

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.  
*(Registrant)*

Date: January 26, 2012 By: /s/ Daniel J. Schrider  
Daniel J. Schrider  
President and Chief Executive Officer