Howard Bancorp Inc Form 8-K April 30, 2018

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): April 30, 2018

Howard Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland 001-35489 20-3735949 (State or other jurisdiction (IRS Employer

(Commission File

of incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

3301 Boston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21224 (Address of principal executive offices) (ZIP Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (410) 750-0020

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:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Section 2 – Financial Information

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 30, 2018, Howard Bancorp, Inc. (the "Registrant"), the parent company of Howard Bank, issued a press release relating to its results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2018. A copy of the release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Item 2.02 and the related information in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated April 30, 2018

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.

HOWARD BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ George C. Coffman

Name: George C. Coffman

Date: April 30, 2018 Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer