

Agency 072 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Project ID/Name: EP1 East Providence Career & Tech. Projects

Project Description:

The Regents request \$1,100,000 through FY 2014 for necessary repairs to the East Providence Career and Technical Center. This year's budget has a request of \$175,000 for FY 2014, which aligns with the transfer agreement authorized by the Department of Administration and the State Properties Committee.

With this request, East Providence agrees to take ownership of the facility in a good state of repair that can be maintained in the future. This request will partially cover a shortfall from the \$15 million bond issuance needed to address "high priority" renovations and repairs at the career and technical centers. In November 2004, voters approved a \$15 million bond to make long-overdue repairs and improvements to the State's career and technical centers, an amount which was ultimately deemed inadequate for the number of repairs needed at each facility.

While this construction project allowed the facility to stay in operation it was not enough to correct long-deferred high priority repairs. These repairs, many of which are mandated by code, include fixture and building configuration changes required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), installation of a functioning security system throughout the building, and the correction of unsafe conditions. For example, carpeting over stair treads in the auditorium is so frayed that it is a tripping hazard. In the auto shop there is not enough fresh air to supply the new paint booth. Minor interior upgrades have revealed the presence of asbestos in floor mastic that must be abated while other such upgrades have been put on hold owing to deficiencies in the facility's electrical and plumbing systems

Project Justification:

These Priority 1 repairs are necessary for the safety of students and staff in these buildings, to protect investments the state has already made with the \$15 million bond proceeds, and to address the final issues to ensure all of the State-owned centers are in compliance with RI's fire and life safety codes. This request will allow the district to address hazardous material abatement, code required plumbing and electrical system improvements, and building security issues.

With this request, the above mentioned facility issues will be addressed and the district will take ownership of this facility. We expect that when the transfer of this facility back to the district is completed, the remaining renovations will be submitted by East Providence for approval through the Housing Aid program

Project Status:

The total request is \$1.1 million which will allow for the transfer of the East Providence Career and Technical Center. The East Providence School District has agreed to take ownership of the facility in July 2013. In addition to work already done in FY 2011 and 2012, the agreed upon transfer agreement requires RIDE to pay \$175,000 in FY 2014. This will be the final payments needed to complete the transfer.

Strategic Criteria

Safety Concerns

Major

Safety Narrative

The original \$15M bond was put before the voters due to legislative committee's determination that there were significant safety concerns at the states' career and technical centers. Leaking roofs can result in a "sick building", possibly causing illness in the

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students, and may damage furniture, equipment, ceilings, and flooring.

Code Violations Major

Code Narrative

Funding will only cover critical building code violations, including fire safety and fire alarm repairs, needed to meet building codes and the new fire code standards.

Energy Impact Minor Positive

Energy Narrative

Life safety elements are a basic prerequisite of a positive learning environment.

Customer Service Major

Customer Narrative

Students and teachers expect and deserve a safe learning environment. Prospective students and their parents touring the school would find buildings in need of critical repair. Since these are state-owned schools, the state is responsible for every individual in these buildings.

Geographic Significance Statewide

Geographic Narrative

The state-owned career and technical centers are located throughout Rhode Island and their presence has a positive impact on the surrounding neighborhoods, including the increase of property values.

Agency Mission High

Agency Narrative

The mission of the school is to educate the students in a safe and healthy learning environment and provide a safe work environment for all staff. Appropriate measures must be implemented by the state so that students are able to learn and staff is able to teach the skills needed to prosper in a chosen trade. As they now stand, the current facilities are not equipped to offer the state-of-the-art training needed in order to successfully enter careers in growth industries.

User Financing 0

User Narrative

Asset Management Rehabilitation

Asset Narrative

These funds will support needed repair and/or renovation projects at the state-owned career and technical center.

Operating Minor

Operating Narrative

Undertaking necessary repairs and renovations to the building will facilitate the transfer back to the district and thereby reduce the state's future costs. Districts are unwilling to accept the buildings in their current condition. If the buildings are transferred back to the districts, RIDE would save funds related to emergency repairs at and insurance costs for the facilities.

Historic Preservation No

Historic Narrative

Budgeted Yes

Budget Narrative

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Critical Criteria

Critical Life Safety Yes

Critical Life Safety Narrative

The life safety code updates, are critical life safety emergency issues.

Critical Legal Liability Yes

Critical Legal Liability Narrative

Since this is a state-owned school, the state would be liable for any injuries resulting from an out-of-code building.

Prior Binding Commitment Yes

Prior Binding Commitment Narrative

The state has signed a contract with East Providence to provide the money for repairs and in exchange East Providence will take back the building.

FY 2014 - FY 2018

Capital Improvement Plan Request System

Agency Request vs. Plan

Funding Source	Pre FY 2013	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	Post FY 2018	Total
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Status: Plan									
RI Capital Plan Fund	\$925,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000
Subtotal Plan	\$925,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000
Status: Request									
RI Capital Plan Fund	\$925,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000
Subtotal Request	\$925,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000