Agency *072 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION*

Project ID/Name: WOONCT Woonsocket Career & Tech. Projects

Project Description:

The Regents request $3,194,250 to replace the roofing system, meet building code requirements and replace aging, failing systems at the Woonsocket Career and Technical Center. Woonsocket Public Schools will not accept transfer of the Career and Technical Center in its current condition. The prior year's budget request has been increased by $1,518,462 to induce the district to take ownership of the facility. The district was unwilling to accept transfer at approved FY 12 amount. This figure was derived from a new feasibility report on the Career and Technical Center that indicated the roof and mechanical systems were past their useful lives. This year's budget has divided the work over three years spanning FY 2013 to FY 2015, with a request of $945,038 for FY 2013, $1,829,212 for FY 2014, and $420,000 for FY 2015.

Similar to the Chariho, Newport, and East Providence transfer agreement process, this amount will allow the district to consider taking ownership of the facility. Currently, there are two district career and technical centers that are still under state-control and that have no transfer agreement in place. These centers are Warwick and Woonsocket.

This request will partially cover the shortfall from a $15 million bond issued in November of 2004 needed to address "high priority" renovations and repairs at the career and technical centers. Voters had approved the $15 million bond to make long-overdue repairs and improvements to the state's career and technical centers.

The $15 million figure was determined by adding preliminary estimates provided by the individual schools. There was considerable variation in the quality of these estimates and concerns that the $15 million might not cover even the most urgent facilities needs. Architects were engaged to prioritize needed work and to develop a scope of work of the highest needs for each school, including building, fire, energy, security codes, life safety requirements, and ADA compliance. The work was prioritized into the following categories: 1 - immediately; 2 - within one to five years; or 3 - within five to ten years.

Project Justification:

The roof and HVAC are original to the Woonsocket Career and Technical Center. They are each over 40 years old and well past their useful lives. 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. The State has proposed that the State-owned career and technical centers be transferred back to the districts that house them, which would result in State savings on insurance and emergency repairs. The State has committed significant funds to renovate these facilities, including the $15 million bond referenced above, as well as RICAP funds to cover life safety issues in an attempt to get districts to take ownership of these facilities. Woonsocket was unwilling to take the building back in its current condition. This request seeks to address the abovementioned repairs so that Woonsocket will accept the transfer of the facility.

Project Status:

No work has been performed yet.

Strategic Criteria

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Safety Concerns ..... Major

Safety Narrative

Leaking roofs can result in a "sick building", possibly causing illness in the students, and may damage furniture, equipment, ceilings, and flooring.

Code Violations ..... Major

Code Narrative

The replacement of the roofing system will address a critical building code violation needed to meet building codes and the new fire code standards.

Energy Impact ..... Major Positive

Energy Narrative

Roof repairs are expected to have a major positive impact on the energy efficiency of these facilities.

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 schools 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 replace the roofing system.

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.

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Historic Preservation ..... No

Historic Narrative

Budgeted ..... Yes

Budget Narrative

Critical Criteria

Critical Life Safety ..... Yes

Critical Life Safety Narrative

The deteriorating structure potential as a result of the roofing system failure is a critical life safety emergency issue.

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 ..... No

Prior Binding Commitment Narrative

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
Agency 072 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION									
Project: WOONCT Woonsocket Career & Tech. Projects									
Status: Plan									
RI Capital Plan Fund	$475,788	$275,000	$505,000	$420,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,675,788
Subtotal Plan	*$475,788*	*$275,000*	*$505,000*	*$420,000*	*$0*	*$0*	*$0*	*$0*	*$1,675,788*
Status: Request									
RI Capital Plan Fund	$0	$945,038	$1,829,212	$420,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$3,194,250
Subtotal Request	*$0*	*$945,038*	*$1,829,212*	*$420,000*	*$0*	*$0*	*$0*	*$0*	*$3,194,250*