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NJSDA Advances Passaic City Dayton Avenue Educational Complex with Advertisement for Design-Build Services

TRENTON, NJ – The New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) today announced the advancement of the procurement process to engage a design builder for the planned multi-million dollar new Dayton Avenue Educational Complex in Passaic City. The related advertisement for design build services was issued on June 13, 2017.

“This is the third project advanced in Passaic City during the Christie Administration that, once completed, will provide a state-of-the-art facility for this community,” said SDA CEO Charles McKenna. “The work of the SDA is aimed at reducing overcrowding and ensuring that students learn in quality educational facilities. Thanks to our ongoing partnership with Superintendent Munoz as well as State and local officials, we continue to make significant progress in this regard.”

The construction of this highly anticipated school will result in a four-story, approximately 448,000 square foot educational complex, to educate 2,760 students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight.

The construction cost estimate for the Dayton Avenue Educational Complex design-build contract is \$170-\$180 million, making this the largest construction project undertaken by the SDA to date. The contract will include demolition and removal of seventeen temporary classroom units, site work, design and construction of the new school.

The SDA opened the Passaic Gifted and Talented Academy in September 2015 and is currently constructing the new Leonard Place Elementary School. To date, the SDA has invested \$194 million in completed projects in Passaic City alone, including five Capital projects and 16 health and safety/grant/emergent projects.

The SDA’s current portfolio of active projects is valued at over \$2 billion – including the Capital Project portfolio, emergent projects and Regular Operating District grants.

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