SERVICE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SCHOOLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SDA IN REGULAR OPERATING DISTRICTS (ROD) What SDA funding is available to ROD Districts?

Following approval by the DOE, the project will be transmitted to SDA who will then offer a grant to the district. Upon proof of local share and completion of other required grant-related documents, the SDA is then able to execute a grant agreement.

FISCAL YEAR EMERGENT AND CAPITAL MAINTENANCE FUNDING

The New Jersey State FY 2022, FY 2023 and FY2024 budgets included a direct appropriation of \$75 million to the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) to provide funding for projects related to emergent and capital maintenance needs. The funding is available to offset district costs associated with taking those important measures and ensuring students have safe and healthy learning environments. Districts are able to obtain this funding through submitting a certification signed by the District Superintendent or Business Administrator stating that the funds provided will be used by the district for an appropriate purpose and lists the projects for which the funds would be appropriately utilized.

Questions can be directed to: <u>FiscalYearGrant@njsda.gov</u>

REGULAR OPERATING DISTRICT GRANTS

The New Jersey State FY2023 budget included a direct appropriation to the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) to provide funding for grant projects. School districts are eligible to receive at least 40 percent of eligible project costs. For a school facilities project to be considered for grant funding, the proposed scope of work must be 100 percent eligible for State support. Only projects that are 100 percent eligible for state support and included in the identified prioritization level will be considered by DOE, although districts may request debt-service aid for other projects.

In September, 2023, DOE and SDA announced the approval of nearly \$450 million in school construction funds to address critical facilities needs in hundreds of school districts throughout the state. Following approval by the DOE, the project will be transmitted to SDA who will then offer a grant to the district. Upon proof of local share and completion of other required grant-related documents, the SDA is then able to execute a grant agreement. Grants are paid out as districts attain specific project milestones.

More information on the Grant Program for School Facilities Projects in RODs is available on the DOE Web site at: www.state.nj.us/education/facilities

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