



MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors of the Corporation

FROM: John F. Spencer
Chief Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation
April Progress Report

SCC MISSION STATEMENT

Create a brighter future for our children by renovating, building and funding cost-effective and efficient state-of-the-art community schools that support high quality learning environments to better prepare students for successful careers and leadership in the 21st Century in New Jersey and beyond.

Partner with communities and leaders in business, education and government to support our programs, policies and projects to create greater opportunities for our children, businesses and workforce.

Introduction

In April, the SCC remained active with events throughout the state. These included ribbon-cuttings for the new Roberto Clemente Elementary School in Paterson and the new Child Family Center in Millville, as well as groundbreaking for a new elementary school in Asbury Park and two new schools in Vineland. The SCC also executed 100 Section 15 grants that impacted 78 schools in 32 counties with 34 districts that receive less than 55% of their budget in state aid. These grants supported projects totaling more than \$222 million – with a state share totaling more than \$74 million.

Since inception, SCC has committed support to over 2,700 school construction projects at nearly 1,800 schools, completing \$660 million in health and safety projects at over 350 urban schools. SCC is building early childhood education centers, launching school-based community revitalization efforts and strengthening the economy by creating employment and business opportunities for companies large and small.



***SCC, Paterson Community Hold Ribbon Cutting
For Roberto Clemente Elementary School***

*State Funded, Managed \$32.8 Million Project Honoring
Late Baseball Great and Charitable, Civic Leader*

Paterson's young students will begin a lifetime of learning thanks to the April 6th ribbon-cutting for a new, state-of-the-art elementary schools that bears the name of one of baseball's legends, Pittsburgh Pirates standout Roberto Clemente.

Students, teachers and community supporters joined representatives of the Paterson School District, the City of Paterson, and New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC) for a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Roberto Clemente Elementary School. Named for the late baseball star who was respected equally for his civic and charitable work in the community as well as his stellar play on the diamond, this \$32.8 million facility will feature a number of elements designed to serve local residents, including a community center, community workroom, outdoor play equipment area, basketball court, and community meeting room.

The Elementary School is approximately 109,042 square feet with 31 classrooms, a gymnasium, cafetorium, media center, art, music, technology, and life skills rooms, and science and computer labs. The Roberto Clemente Elementary School provides educational opportunities for just over 700 students. Designed by the architectural firm of Einhorn Yaffee Prescott and built by VRH Construction Corporation, this is one of the first elementary schools to open in Paterson in more than fifteen years.



SCC, Vineland Educators Break Ground For New 560-Student Middle School

Hundreds of people turned out for a major milestone April 9th in this Cumberland County community: a Groundbreaking Ceremony to mark the start of construction of the first new school in Vineland in 26 years.

Representatives of the Vineland School District and New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC) welcomed students, teachers, parents and residents, as well as local and state officials, to the groundbreaking event for the new Vineland Middle School #1. The SCC is funding and managing the \$26.2 million project in this South Jersey city under New Jersey's unprecedented \$8.6 billion school construction program.

The new two-story 119,380-square-foot Vineland Middle School #1 is being built at Mill and Almond roads. The 21st century facility will provide state-of-the-art educational opportunities for 562 students in grades 6th through 8th. The new school will include 18 general classrooms, 6 science labs, 6 special education classrooms, music and art rooms, computer and technology labs, speech classroom, occupational/physical therapy area, cafeteria, media center, main gymnasium and auxiliary gym, district central kitchen, health suite and district bus parking lot. Work is due for completion for the 2006-2007 school year. Vineland opened its last new school in 1979.



***SCC, Asbury Park Community Break Ground
For Addition to Thurgood Marshall Elementary School***
State Fully Funding, Managing \$8.5 Million Project

Students, teachers and community supporters joined representatives of the Asbury Park School District, the City of Asbury Park, and New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC) for a groundbreaking ceremony April 14th for the new 13,278-square-foot addition to the Thurgood Marshall Elementary School.

This new \$8.5 million, 3-story addition will increase the school's size to nearly 90,000 square feet. When finished, this new educational facility will provide state-of-the-art educational opportunities for over 800 young Asbury Park students, and include 50 general classrooms, a gymnasium, a resource center, a stage area, a music room, conference rooms, and a new kitchen and cafeteria, among other features. It will also include the conversion of two existing classrooms into a discovery/technology lab. The addition to the Elementary School was designed by Gilbert Architects, and will be built by Brockwell and Carrington Construction. Gilbane Building Company is the project management firm.



SCC, Vineland Educators Break Ground For New 556-Student Elementary School

For the second time in two weeks, residents of this Cumberland County community turned out to celebrate the start of construction of a new school – the first new schools in Vineland in 26 years, with a third set to get under way next month. The April 23rd groundbreaking for the new Vineland Elementary School #1 was conducted by the Vineland School District and the New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC). The SCC is funding and managing the \$15.6 million project under New Jersey's unprecedented \$8.6 billion school construction program. The event was attended by students, teachers, parents and residents, along with local and state officials. Due to inclement weather, the ceremony was held at Vineland High School South Auditorium on E. Chestnut Avenue instead of the school site at Lincoln Avenue and Menantico Road.

The new 74,000-square-foot elementary school will provide state-of-the-art educational opportunities for 556 students in Kindergarten through 5th grade in this South Jersey city. It will include 4 Kindergarten classrooms; 20 general classrooms; 8 resource classrooms; 3 special education classrooms; classrooms for speech, science, enrichment, music, art and computers; occupational and physical therapy area, cafeteria, media center, gym. Manders/Merighi Associates is the design firm for this new elementary school. The project is managed by URS Corporation Group. Work is due for completion for the 2006-2007 school year. Vineland opened its last new school in 1979.



***SCC, Millville District Hold Grand Opening
Of New Child Family Center***

*State-Funded \$13.7 Million Project Converted Former Office Building
To Create 600-Student Pre-School*

New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC) and Millville School District officials officially opened the new Millville Child Family Center April 26th. Young students and their parents, along with teachers, community leaders, and state and city officials, attended the Grand Opening. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was followed by tours of the new \$13.7 million pre-school facility.

The project converted the former AARP Insurance Company office building to provide an 84,000-square-foot, two-story early childhood education center for 600 pre-Kindergarten students. Millville Child Family Center, located at 1100 Coombs Road, has 42 classrooms, a media center, activity rooms, a cafeteria with kitchen, faculty workrooms, security and administrative offices and counseling rooms, and three outside play areas with jungle gyms. The project was fully funded and managed by the SCC as part of the State's unprecedented \$8.6 billion school construction program.

Construction Update

Construction Starts

The SCC awarded 17 construction packages in 14 districts during the month of April for combined construction cost estimates totaling \$30,205,155.

These awards will involve 16 schools in districts including: Asbury Park, Camden, East Orange, Elizabeth, Irvington, Jersey City, Long Branch, New Brunswick, Paterson, Perth Amboy, Plainfield, Trenton, Vineland and West New York.

As of April 30, 2005, the SCC has entered into 482 construction contracts that total \$2,325,881,755 since the inception of the program.

Design update

As of April 30, 2005, the SCC has entered into 277 design contracts with a total value of \$365,618,466 as well as assumed an additional 76 architectural assignments that totaled \$101,310,637.

School District Grants

In April 2005, the SCC executed 100 Section 15 grants with 34 districts receiving less than 55% of their funding in state aid. The grants impacted 78 schools in 32 counties throughout the State. The total project costs for these grants are \$221,688,344, with a state share of that total worth \$74,243,894.

Several districts received multiple grant awards in April. They include South Orange-Maplewood in Essex County, which will receive grants for 22 school projects costing a total of \$20,380,917, with a state share of \$8,152,366. North Brunswick Township in Middlesex County will receive \$7,651,162 in grants for 5 school projects totaling \$32,433,000. Metuchen, also in Middlesex County, will receive \$11,498,140 in grants for 2 projects totaling \$28,745,350. Somerville Borough in Somerset County will receive \$9,537,833 in grants for 3 projects totaling \$24,950,000. West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional in Mercer County will receive \$4,672,128 in grants for 2 projects totaling \$15,909,000. Washington Township in Gloucester County will receive \$7,101,020 in grants for 5 projects totaling \$17,117,266.

From its inception in 2002 through of April 30, 2005, the SCC has executed 1,978 Section 15 grant agreements in all 21 counties with districts that receive less than 55% of their budget in state aid. Total project costs amount to \$6,010,366,316, for which the state share totaled \$1,842,983,099. In 2005 alone, 73 districts in 20 counties have been earmarked for \$189,054,448 in direct property tax relief as the state share of project costs that totaled \$612,191,099.

Office of Diversity & Emerging Business Markets

SCC, Regional Alliance for Small Contractors Honor 29 Graduates of Contractor Training Program

Twenty-nine new trainees representing 24 construction firms were recognized at a graduation ceremony April 14th at William Paterson University in Wayne, NJ for successfully completing the Spring 2005 Northern Region Contractor Training Program sponsored by the New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation (SCC).

The free eight-week training program, funded by SCC and conducted by the Regional Alliance for Small Contractors (RASC), is designed to teach small, minority, and women-owned firms about good business management practices in order to assist them in competing for SCC school building contracts. Trenton-based RASC is a leading force for the training and development of small, minority and women-owned construction firms in the tri-state area of New Jersey, New York and Connecticut.

The Spring 2005 Northern Region Contractor Training Program was geared toward new contracting opportunities in Bergen, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren counties.

Consultants hired by SCC offer four contractor-training courses over a two-year period. Each course consists of eight sessions, which are taught by top executives from major firms and other construction professionals. Session topics include: Overview of Construction Practices and Principles; Marketing Construction Services, Becoming Classified/Pre-qualified as Prime Contractors and/or as Subcontractors; Construction Contract Law; Project Management and Project Scheduling; Construction Cost Estimating; Financial Management, Accounting Principles and Banking, Bonding and Insurance; Operational Management and Construction Management; and Preparing to Bid as a Prime Contractor or as a Subcontractor, Overview of the School Construction Program and Upcoming School Construction Program Projects.

For information about other small, minority and women-owned business assistance programs offered by New Jersey Schools Construction Corporation, visit our website. For details on the curriculum and course schedule or to register, contact Regional Alliance for Small Contractors' Contractor Training Program (609) 392-5600.

The Office of Diversity & Emerging Business Markets is dedicated to increasing the availability and accessibility of school construction opportunities for small, women and minority-owned businesses and individuals in New Jersey. For more information on how you can be part of our effort to build a better New Jersey, contact Kellie Drakeford, Director, Office of Diversity at (609) 292-1680

Conferences/Presentations

Orange School District Special Board Meeting, 4/5/2005, Orange

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for New Roberto Clemente School, 4/6/2005, Paterson
Joint Committee on Public Schools, 4/11/2005, Trenton
Construction Symposium, 4/11/2005, Trenton
Spring 2005 Contractor Training Program, 4/14/2005, Asbury Park
Environmental Business Council of CIANJ, 4/18/2005, Iselin
8th Annual NJ Conference for Small Business, 4/22/2005, New Brunswick
Camden Community Meeting, 4/23/2005, Camden
Millville Child Family Center – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 4/26/2005, Millville
NJ Alliance for Action Construction Forum, 4/28/2005, East Windsor
2005 Women and Small Business Conference, 4/29/2005, Union

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Attachments

Construction Award Status Report

| <u>District</u> | <u>Schools</u> | <u>Description of Work</u> | <u>Contract Award</u> | <u>Notice to Proceed</u> |
|------------------------|---|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Asbury Park | Marshall ES | Provide and install network electronics and servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$84,784.00 | 4/28/2005 |
| Elizabeth | New pre K-8 #27 (-03) | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$591,007.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Irvington | University Six School | Phased renovation of 115,000 SF of building space in addition to site improvements, roof replacement and new utility services. School will remain occupied by students and staff throughout the construction process. The Irvington Board of Education is located at the 4th floor of the University Elementary School and will remain operational during the project. This contract excludes tele/data cabling (under separate contract). | \$18,159,000.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Long Branch | Gregory School - replacement of existing Gregory E.S. | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$519,639.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Paterson | New International HS Academy New Elementary School Number 13 ES Number 24 ES | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$985,243.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Camden | Pyne Poynt Family MS | Construction, purchase, delivery and assembly of eight temporary classroom units (16 classrooms) including all contained plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems. This contract will be responsible for setting trailers on the foundations, leveling and securing the trailers, closing all seams and completing all interior and exterior finishes. Foundations, final utility connections to site, and site construction will be under a separate contract. | \$1,039,623.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Camden | Pyne Poynt Family MS | Construction of foundations for Tempoary Classroom Units, installation of new parking lot and temporary roadway, installation of new site utilities for TCU's and school including storm water, sanitary, plumbing and electrical services, installation of classrooms technology systems, and final connections for utilities. | \$2,167,500.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Jersey City | Number 22 ES | The PS 22 project includes the replacement of existing Boilers and associated equipment, installation of breaching and chimney liners, combustion air intake louvers and safety controls, Domestic HW Heaters and Heat Exchangers, misc. piping and ductwork. Some General Construction work is required at both school locations. | \$1,127,969.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Paterson | New Elementary School | Installation of concrete retaining wall, security fence, and rough site grading. | \$1,153,000.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Perth Amboy | Early Childhood Center II | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$165,474.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Trenton | Martin Luther King/ Jefferson School Replacement Joyce Kilmer ES/MS Columbus School - new construction | Purchase, installation and configuration of network electronics & servers. | \$195,993.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| New Brunswick | K Center 3 | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$93,310.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Vineland | Vineland Middle School #1 | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$79,650.00 | 4/29/2005 |

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| East Orange | Barry Garvin ECC New - Langston Hughes - Replacement (-x07) New ES #5 (-05) | Provide and install cabling, telephone system, network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$360,259.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Plainfield | Plainfield HS addition and renovation | Replace windows with Aluminum Architectural Windows. | \$524,000.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| Vineland | New Elementary School Veterans Memorial Intermediate Sch | Provide and install network electronics, servers and participate in the Schools & Libraries Division E-Rate Program as specified in the project manual. | \$159,182.00 | 4/29/2005 |
| West New York | New ES to replace PS 3 New ES to replace PS 4 Number 6 ES | This E-rate package will require all E-rate cabling and Equipment fundable under this SLD program. Includes all additional services specified in the project manual to support the E-rate Program and to coordinate construction. | \$1,355,217.00 | 4/29/2005 |