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## **Christie Administration Announces \$1.2 Million in State Funding for Improvements at Ten Brick Township Schools**

BRICK TOWNSHIP, NJ –Schools Development Authority (SDA) Chief Executive Officer Marc Larkins joined Lanes Mill Elementary School students, district and local officials to highlight more than \$1.2 million in state grants for ten projects at ten different schools across Brick Township through the SDA’s Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program. The \$1.2 Million in state funding leverages local taxpayer dollars to enable the district to provide much-needed improvements while creating jobs for New Jersey contractors.

“The positive impact of these grants is far reaching,” said CEO Marc Larkins. “As the district readies these projects for advertisement, economic benefits are realized through the creation of jobs. As the projects are completed, thousands of students will benefit from improved facilities – it’s a win-win situation.” Larkins added. “The Administration’s continued focus on delivering a robust school construction program for all types of school facilities in New Jersey helps communities provide the best educational environments possible for its students.”

The Lanes Mill Elementary School project will replace the interior lighting system with new energy efficient light fixtures and provide a more energy efficient lighting control system for all classrooms. With the celebration of Earth Day a few days ago, it is improvements like this, that provide for sustainable facilities while enhancing the educational environment for students.

In addition, Brick Township will receive grant funding for projects at Brick Memorial High School, Lake Riviera Middle School, Veterans Memorial Middle School, Emma Havens Young Elementary School, Drum Point Road Elementary School, Osbornville Elementary School, Herbertsville Elementary School, Veterans Memorial Elementary School and Brick Community Primary Learning Center. Projects awarded include the replacement of gym bleachers and auditorium seats, providing heating/ventilation/air condition (HVAC) for computer server rooms, HVAC upgrades, replacement of boilers, electrical upgrades, replacement of exterior doors and installation of visual fire alarms.

Since Governor Christie took office in January 2010, the SDA has executed 868 grants. The state-grant program funds at least 40 percent of eligible costs for projects in the RODs, addressing health and safety issues, student overcrowding and other critical needs. The Department of Education selects school projects to receive grant funding from the SDA. The State has provided more than \$310 million in grants to local districts since January 2010, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$740 million. Funding for the program was made available through the sale of \$500 million in bonds by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA).

The SDA’s current portfolio of active projects is valued at over \$2.2 billion – including the 2011 and 2012 Capital Project portfolios (more than \$1B), additional projects in construction (\$194M), emergent projects (\$50M) and Regular Operating District grants (\$792M state share).

**Grant Executions****Emma Havens Young Elementary School**

Scope: Replace exterior doors and frames and electrical upgrades.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$1,001,762

State Share: \$400,705

Local Share: \$601,057

**Lanes Mill Elementary School**

Scope: Replace original exterior doors. Replace interior lighting system with new energy efficient light fixtures and provide a more energy efficient lighting control system for all classrooms.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$751,967

State Share: \$300,787

Local Share: \$451,180

**Brick Memorial High School**

Scope: Replace gym bleachers and auditorium seats.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$509,436

State Share: \$203,774

Local Share: \$305,662

**Lake Riviera Middle School**

Scope: Provide HVAC in computer server rooms and ceiling replacement associated with HVAC upgrades.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$277,063

State Share: \$110,825

Local Share: \$166,238

**Veterans Memorial Middle School**

Scope: Install air-conditioning in rooms with server equipment; ventilate rooms with electrical equipment and replace existing ceilings to accommodate new ductwork and wiring; provide HVAC in Special Ed Room G7 (a windowless classroom).

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$235,618

State Share: \$94,247

Local Share: \$141,371

**Drum Point Road Elementary School**

Scope: Provide HVAC in computer server rooms and ceiling replacement associated with HVAC upgrades

Total Estimate Project Costs: \$106,165

State Share: \$42,466

Local Share: \$63,699



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## **Osbornville Elementary School**

Scope: Install air-conditioning in rooms with server equipment. Ventilate rooms with electrical equipment. Replace existing domestic hot water heater.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$84,789

State Share: \$33,916

Local Share: \$50,873

## **Herbertsville Elementary School**

Scope: Replace boiler

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$71,660

State Share: \$28,664

Local Share: \$42,996

## **Brick Community Primary Learning Center**

Scope: Install visual fire alarms.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$32,573

State Share: \$13,029

Local Share: \$19,544

## **Veterans Memorial Elementary School**

Scope: Replace gym lighting.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$18,950

State Share: \$7,580

Local Share: \$11,370