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Christie Administration Announces Tuckerton Borough to Receive \$45,468 in Grant Funding from Schools Development Authority

Trenton, NJ - Furthering the Christie Administration's commitment to providing New Jersey students with safe, modern and efficient schools, the Schools Development Authority (SDA) announced that the Tuckerton Borough School District received a grant through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The project represents \$113,670 in total estimated costs including a state grant of \$45,468 which leverages the local contribution of \$68,202.

"The SDA's ROD Grant program is just one example of the state's partnership with local school districts to deliver necessary improvements, including security upgrades, to provide facilities in which students can excel," said SDA CEO Charles B. McKenna.

The grant will provide funds to install a CCTV Security System at Tuckerton Elementary School.

"The Tuckerton Borough School District is appreciative of this grant funding from the State," said Dr. Robert M. Gray, Jr., Superintendent. "This grant will help us to provide a safe and secure educational environment so that the students of Tuckerton Elementary School can focus on learning."

Since the Christie Administration announced the resumption of the ROD grant program in May 2010, the SDA has executed 919 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. Since the program's inception, Tuckerton Borough School District has received more than \$145,000 in grants through the SDA's ROD grant program.

The Department of Education (DOE) selects school projects to receive grant funding from the SDA. The State has provided \$290 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$674 million. The SDA's current portfolio of active grant projects represents more than \$1.26 billion in total project costs.

In December 2013 the DOE announced the approval of 1,538 ROD Grant projects in 331 school districts throughout the state. The approval of these grants were made possible by approximately half a billion dollars in funding made available by Governor Christie for additional grant projects in Regular Operating Districts and County Vocational Schools across New Jersey.

School Name	Total Project Cost Estimate	State Share	Local Share
Tuckerton Elementary School – installation of CCTV Security System	\$113,670	\$45,468	\$68,202