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## **Christie Administration Announces Summit Public Schools to Receive More Than \$2 Million in Grant Funding from the New Jersey Schools Development Authority**

**Trenton, NJ** - Furthering the Christie Administration's commitment to support critical school improvement projects in New Jersey, the Schools Development Authority (SDA) today announced that eleven grants have recently been executed for the Summit Public Schools through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program. Grant execution signifies completion of the application process and the start of funding being issued to school districts through the SDA's ROD grant program.

In May 2013, Governor Christie announced the largest single grant offering in the program's history, making approximately half a billion dollars in funding available for projects throughout the state's 559 Regular Operating Districts and 21 County Vocational Technical School Districts across New Jersey. The Department of Education, who determines the selection of school projects to receive grant funds, has approved 1,598 ROD Grant projects in 333 school districts throughout the state for this allocation. Between state and local contributions, the total project costs of the 1,598 eligible projects are estimated to exceed \$1.2 billion, representing significant benefit not only to the children served by the state's public schools but also to the economy and construction industry as this important work advances.

The projects in Summit Public Schools represent \$5,180,411 in total estimated costs including state grants of \$2,072,164 which leverages the local contribution of \$3,108,247. The SDA has executed more than \$10.2 million in grants to the Summit Public Schools since program inception.

The eleven grants will provide funds for upgrades and improvements to Jefferson Elementary School, Brayton Elementary, Washington Elementary School, Franklin Elementary School, Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School, School Summit Middle School and Summit Senior High School. The grants allow for a variety of work including the replacement of a boiler, security upgrades, masonry repairs, roof replacements and fire alarm system upgrades.

Since the start of the Christie Administration, the SDA has executed 1366 grants in 299 school districts. The state-grant program funds at least 40 percent of eligible costs for projects in the RODs, addressing health and safety issues and other critical needs.

The State of New Jersey has provided \$448.8 million (state share) in grants to local districts since January 2010, leveraging projects with total estimated costs of \$1.06 billion. The SDA's current portfolio of active grant projects represents \$1.17 billion in total project costs.

School Name	Total Project Cost Estimate	State Share	Local Share
Summit Middle School – Security upgrades	\$100,163	\$40,065	\$60,098
Summit Middle School – Brick repointing and masonry repairs	\$1,150,000	\$460,000	\$690,000
Washington Elementary School – Roof replacement	\$611,113	\$244,445	\$366,668
Washington Elementary School – Main office security upgrades	\$210,000	\$84,000	\$126,000
Franklin Elementary School – Roof replacement	\$570,945	\$228,378	\$342,567
Franklin Elementary School – Fire alarm system replacement	\$367,281	\$146,912	\$220,369
Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School – Roof replacement over media center	\$285,587	\$114,235	\$171,352
Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School – Main office security upgrades	\$44,000	\$17,600	\$26,400
Summit Senior High School – Boiler room reconfiguration and boiler replacement	\$1,400,000	\$560,000	\$840,000
Jefferson Elementary School – Roof replacement at center of one-story section and media center	\$432,324	\$172,930	\$259,394
Brayton Elementary School – Main office security upgrades	\$8,998	\$3,599	\$5,399
<b>Summit City Total</b>	<b>\$5,180,411</b>	<b>\$2,072,164</b>	<b>\$3,108,247</b>

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