

HARRISON COUNTY

SBA Needs Project Evaluation Summary

Project Request:

Harrison County requests up to \$5,313,402 in SBA funding for renovations at Robert C. Byrd Technical Center and Mountaineer Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,000,000 for a total project cost of \$7,313,402.

Project Facts:

- In approved CEFP: Yes
- Number of Students affected: 2299
- Annual Savings: \$2,750,000
- Cost Avoidance: \$16,878,750
- Project in Floodway / Flood Plain: No

Evaluation Criteria in WV Code §18-9D-16:

I. Student Health & Safety

This project has a generally positive effect on student and teacher health and safety.

II. Economies of Scale

This project meets economies of scale: RCBHS: YES; MMS Waiver: Yes

III. Reasonable Travel Time

This project meets the requirements in WV Code for maximum student travel time.

IV. Multi-County and Regional Planning

This project is a single-county project.

V. Curriculum Improvement and Diversification, including Technology and Distance Learning

This project proposes offer advanced and diversified curricular improvements.

VI. Innovations in Education

This project includes some innovative curriculum and/or breakout STEM education.

VII. Adequate Space for Projected Student Enrollments

This project proposes to meet 80%-85% utilization factor.

VIII. History of Efforts taken by the County Board to Propose or Adopt Bond Issues of Special Levies

The County proposes bond issues and/or special levies regularly.

IX. Regularly Scheduled Preventative Maintenance

This project decreases PM required which has a positive impact on the county's PM plan.

Project Status:

Listed below are projected activities that have been completed to date.

- After reviewing the submitted documents and information, an on-site review was performed on 9/26/24 with Dora Stutler, Superintendent, Jimmy Lopez, Julie Mancini, and Jamie Looker of Harrison County Schools, along with Joyce VanGilder of the SBA Staff.
- On behalf of Harrison County Schools, a project budget and conceptual plan was established by McKinley Architects and Engineers.

Project Comments by the SBA Staff:

- Harrison County is working to complete its extensive merger and consolidation of schools. This multi-school merger consists of moving Liberty High School students to Robert C. Byrd High School, consolidating Mountaineer and Washington Middle into the current Liberty High School. Mountaineer Middle will become an elementary school that will receive the students from the closure of North View Elementary.
- Harrison County proposes to expand the Robert C. Byrd High School cafeteria to accommodate the additional students from the closure of Liberty High School. Furthermore, this project proposes to renovate and construct an addition to the existing Career and Technical learning spaces for the expansion of the ProStart (culinary), agriculture and aviation mechanics programs.
- In addition, this project proposes renovations to the current Mountaineer Middle School with new restrooms in existing classrooms that will house the incoming Pre-K and Kindergarten students as it transitions into an elementary school. A new student drop-off/pick-up area will be included in this project.

Existing Building Evaluation Report

Robert C. Byrd High School

- Year of Original Construction: 1996
- Number and Year of Major Additions: 0
- Grade Configuration: 9-12
- Number of Classrooms: 64
- 2nd Month Enrollment (23-24 School Year): 696
- Building Program Capacity 1518
- Building Program Utilization: 46%
- Building Total Square Footage 162,740 sq. ft.
- Site Size: 50 acres
- Site Adequacy: Adequate
- Site Access: Adequate
- Parking Adequacy: Adequate
- Flood Plain: No
- HVAC System Type: Gas
- HVAC System Overall Condition: Good
- Restroom Facilities: Adequate
- Food Service Facilities: Adequate
- On-site Review Conducted:
 - Fire Safety Deficiencies 0
 - Sanitation Reports 0
 - State Board of Risk/Insurance 0
- Overall Condition of the Building: Good

Existing Building Evaluation Report

Mountaineer Middle School

- Year of Original Construction: 2006
- Number and Year of Major Additions: 0
- Grade Configuration: 6-8
- Number of Classrooms: 34
- 2nd Month Enrollment (23-24 School Year): 358
- Building Program Capacity 727
- Building Program Utilization: 49%
- Building Total Square Footage 72,620 sq. ft.
- Site Size: 8 acres
- Site Adequacy: Adequate
- Site Access: Adequate
- Parking Adequacy: Adequate
- Flood Plain: No
- HVAC System Type: Gas
- HVAC System Overall Condition: Good
- Restroom Facilities: Adequate
- Food Service Facilities: Adequate
- On-site Review Conducted:
 - Fire Safety Deficiencies 0
 - Sanitation Reports 0
 - State Board of Risk/Insurance 0
- Overall Condition of the Building: Good

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County's Proposed Finance Plan for this Project:

Funding Sources	County Proposal	Percent
SBA Funds:	\$ 5,313,402	73%
Local Funds:	\$ 2,000,000	27%
Other Funds: _____	\$ 0	0%
Total Funds:	\$ 7,313,402	100%

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$16,107,969 State Rank: 15th Distressed County: No

Bonding and Levy Capacities:

Bonding Capacity: \$240,500,135 Available Bonding Capacity: \$240,500,135
Excess Levy Capacity: \$36,805,951 Available Levy Capacity: \$4,201,813

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 4,842,370.94
- NEEDS: \$59,451,478.73
- MIP: \$ 5,901,798.67
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 1,254,673.11
- **Total:** **\$71,450,321.45**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

- New Big Elm & Nutter Fort ES
- 2 HS Additions/Renovations
- South Harrison MS A/R
- New Salem/Gore MS
- New Lumberport ES
- New Lumberport MS
- New Johnson ES
- United HS Reno. to Gore ES

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Secure Entrances at Robert C. Byrd HS, Liberty HS, Mountaineer MS (MIP 2025)