

RALEIGH COUNTY

SBA Needs Project Evaluation Summary

Project Request:

Raleigh County requests up to \$13,963,099 in SBA funding for Phase III renovations at Woodrow Wilson High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$13,963,099 for a total project cost of \$27,926,198.

Project Facts:

- In approved CEFP: Yes
- Number of Students affected: 1268
- Annual Savings: N/A
- Cost Avoidance: N/A
- Project in Floodway / Flood Plain: No

Evaluation Criteria in W.Va. Code §18-9D-16:

I. Student Health & Safety

This project address critical student and teacher health and safety needs.

II. Economies of Scale

This project meets economies of scale: 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 has limited or indirect changes or improvements to curriculum delivery.

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 has proposed a bond issue and/or special levy on limited occasions.

IX. Regularly Scheduled Preventative Maintenance

This project increases maintenance required; however, the county has a PM plan in place.

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 10/2/25 with Eric Dillion, Assistant Superintendent, and Gary Daniel, Director of Facilities of Raleigh County Schools, along with Mark Miller of the SBA Staff.
- On behalf of Raleigh County Schools, a project budget and conceptual plan was established by ZMM Architects and Engineers.

Project Comments by the SBA Staff:

- Woodrow Wilson High School was constructed in 1965 and consists of four buildings over a very large open campus. Currently, students and staff travel across the campus, unprotected from the weather and the environment. The facility has outdated classroom environments, an undersized cafeteria space, and entrances that do not meet current security standards.
- Raleigh County proposes to implement Phase 3 of renovations and additions to Woodrow Wilson High School. This ambitious project would include the creation of a safe school entry, a new administrative suite, connecting corridors to link all spaces, renovations to existing areas to create a counseling / CIS suite, special needs offices and classrooms, a STEM center, new music spaces, new public and student restrooms, expansion of the existing cafeteria, renovated locker rooms, and a new sprinkler system throughout the facility.
- This project represents Phase 3 of a four-phase project undertaken by Raleigh County Schools to modernize and upgrade this facility.

Existing Building Evaluation Report
Woodrow Wilson High School

- Year of Original Construction: 1965
- Number and Year of Major Additions: 2-1967, 1988
- Grade Configuration: 9-12
- Number of Classrooms: 77
- 2nd Month Enrollment (23-24 School Year): 1268
- Building Program Capacity 1847
- Building Program Utilization: 69%
- Building Total Square Footage 188,728 sq. ft.
- Site Size: 20 acres
- Site Adequacy: Adequate
- Site Access: Adequate
- Parking Adequacy: Adequate
- Flood Plain: No
- HVAC System Type: Gas/Electric
- HVAC System Overall Condition: Good
- Restroom Facilities: Inadequate
- Food Service Facilities: Inadequate
- On-site Review Conducted:
 - Fire Safety Deficiencies 1
 - Sanitation Reports 0
 - State Board of Risk/Insurance 3
- Overall Condition of the Building: Good

Project Finance Report
Raleigh County

County’s Proposed Finance Plan for this Project:

Funding Sources	County Proposal	Percent
SBA Funds:	\$13,963,099	50%
Local Funds:	\$13,963,099	50%
Other Funds: _____	\$ 0	0%
Total Funds:	\$27,926,198	100%

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$34,661,553 State Rank: 6th Distressed County: No

Bonding and Levy Capacities:

Bonding Capacity: \$169,343,562 Available Bonding Capacity: \$169,343,562
 Excess Levy Capacity: \$25,084,514 Available Levy Capacity: \$0

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 5,877,416.03
- NEEDS: \$68,222,180.18
- MIP: \$ 3,464,858.11
- Emergency: \$ 2,000,000.00
- SAS: \$ 1,359,001.90
- **Total:** **\$80,923,456.22**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

- Bradley ES A/R
- Daniels ES A/R
- New Fairdale ES
- New Grey Flats ES
- New Trap Hill MS
- New Beckley Stratton MS
- New Shady Springs MS
- Independence HS A/R
- Shady Springs HS A/R WWHS Ren.
- New Marsh Fork ES
- Park MS Addition
- New Ridgedale ES
- New Stratton ES

**Ongoing SBA Project(s): Woodrow Wilson HS & Academy Careers Water Lines (NEEDS 2024);
Park MS Renovations (MIP 2023)**

