

TAYLOR COUNTY

SBA Needs Project Evaluation Summary

Project Request:

Taylor County requests up to \$7,306,600 in SBA funding for construction of the new Anna Jarvis Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$16,875,667 in local funds for a total project cost of \$24,182,267.

Project Facts:

- In approved CEFP: Yes
- Number of Students affected: 540
- Annual Savings: \$50,500
- Cost Avoidance: \$12,000,000
- 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 proposes to 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 will address a school with a high utilization factor by eliminating overcrowding.

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 09/28/23 with John Stallings of Taylor County Schools and Joyce VanGilder of the SBA Staff.
- On behalf of Taylor County Schools, a project budget and conceptual plan was established by Williamson Shriver Architects.
- Taylor County successfully passed a bond in 2022 for a new Anna Jarvis Elementary School and safety and security upgrades at other county schools.

Project Comments by the SBA Staff:

- The existing Anna Jarvis School is an aging, antiquated building that has many health and safety deficiencies. The existing building does not meet current indoor air quality standards or utility demands. The school lacks adequate space to serve students and staff in the existing footprint. The existing site limits space for additions and efficient traffic patterns.
- The new construction is proposed to be energy efficient, easy to maintain, and will feature innovative and multi-use instructional areas. In addition, the county plans to have extensive STEAM curriculum opportunities for all students.
- The citizens of Taylor County passed a \$18.44 million capital improvement bond in November 2020 with 52.25% approval. The county does not anticipate requesting additional SBA funding for any other project listed in the bond. Initial site and utility investigations are in process.

Existing Building Evaluation Report

Anna Jarvis Elementary School

- Year of Original Construction: 1971
- Number and Year of Major Additions: 2-1995, 2004
- Grade Configuration: PK-4
- Number of Classrooms: 29
- 2nd Month Enrollment (22-23 School Year): 540
- Building Program Capacity 711
- Building Program Utilization: 92%
- Building Total Square Footage 67,099 sq. ft.
- Site Size: 11.33 acres
- Site Adequacy: Adequate
- Site Access: Adequate
- Parking Adequacy: Adequate
- Flood Plain: No
- HVAC System Type: Gas /Electric
- HVAC System Overall Condition: Fair
- 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: Fair

Project Finance Report

Taylor County

County's Proposed Finance Plan for this Project:

Funding Sources	County Proposal	Percent
SBA Funds:	\$ 7,306,600	30%
Local Funds:	\$16,875,667	70%
Other Funds: _____	\$ 0	0%
Total Funds:	\$24,182,267	100%

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2022:

Total County Budget: \$24,554,850

State Rank: 38th

Distressed County: No

Bonding and Levy Capacities:

Bonding Capacity: \$49,693,773

Available Bonding Capacity: \$49,693,773

Excess Levy Capacity: \$7,073,411

Available Levy Capacity: \$3,536,706

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,090,825.75
- NEEDS: \$12,912,455.00
- MIP: \$ 2,896,658.14
- Emergency: \$0
- SAS: \$ 273,305.80
- **Total: \$17,173,244.69**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

- Anna Jarvis ES Renovations
- Grafton HS Addition
- Grafton HS HVAC
- Grafton HS Roof Replacement
- Taylor Co. MS Heat Pump Rep.

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None