

School Building Authority of West Virginia
NEEDS PROJECT COMMENTS BY SBA STAFF
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Introduction:

The SBA staff has performed an evaluation and prepared a report for each county that submitted a request for Needs grant funding. The Needs project executive summary sheets provided by each county were reviewed and incorporated into each county's report. After reviewing the documents submitted, on-site reviews were performed by the staff of the SBA to review the information and to verify the severity of need for the proposed projects.

Precautions were taken to mitigate exposure to COVID-19, so not all sites were visited in the last few months; however, the staff was able to verify the existing condition of each facility based on reports from visits within the past year, and with information that was communicated by the County and/or their Architect / Engineer. All affected facilities were reviewed by the SBA staff and the interior and exterior conditions of each facility were examined to the fullest extent possible. The SBA Staff also considered the counties' proposed solutions in relation to all submitted projects.

Throughout the past year, the SBA Staff has worked extensively in many counties to gain an understanding of the severity of need in each proposed project. When asked by the county superintendent, the SBA Staff has also assisted in project development to ensure the specific project proposals meet the goals of the evaluation criteria for SBA-funded projects as outlined in [W.Va. Code §18-9D-16](#).

Since the conclusion of the superintendents' interviews on March 15 and 16, 2021, the SBA staff has compiled all information gathered in the discussions, site visits, and correspondence. The staff has worked with many counties and architects to verify line items in each project's budget estimate. In some cases, the counties were able to reduce the scope of the proposed work, contingencies, and/or architectural design fees. In other cases, counties have voluntarily increased their contribution of local funds to their projects. Each of these scenarios have resulted in a reduction of SBA funds requested and are reflected in the finance plans below where these savings have been identified.

The information provided in the following summaries represent the SBA staff's full and thorough evaluation of each county's proposed project. The staff has made calculated funding recommendations as noted in each of the county's project description page and in the Executive Director's Recommendations handout.

BERKELEY COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Berkeley County:

Berkeley County requests up to \$2,687,500 in SBA funding for safe school entrances at fourteen (14) schools. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,687,500 for a total project cost of \$5,375,000.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The project as proposed creates safe school entrances by either renovating existing spaces or constructing additions to 14 of the 31 the schools in the county. The affected schools were identified by the county's CEFP planning committee to be deficient in visibility from the school's office to the main entrance.
- While the county identified secure entrances at each of these facilities within their 2020-2030 CEFP, the county did not express whether or not a full vulnerability assessment was completed at each school, which necessitated the SBA request for secure entrances. Therefore, the SBA staff recommends that prior to submitting a request for a future grant, the county ensure that secure entrances would represent a comprehensive solution to school security and that no other improvements are needed.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

BERKELEY COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,687,500	50%	\$2,687,500
Local Funds	\$2,687,500	50%	\$2,687,500
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,375,000	100%	\$5,375,000

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 4,091,052.96
- NEEDS: \$ 93,629,728.55
- MIP: \$ 6,930,213.51
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 1,892,574.81
- **Total:** **\$106,543,569.83**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Musselman HS
New North Central Intermediate
New West Central Intermediate
New Spring Mills MS
Hedgesville HS A/R
Martinsburg South MS A/R
New Gerrardstown Intermediate
New Spring Mills ES
Martinsburg North MS A/R

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$306,262,696

Total County Budget: \$216,005,138

State Rank: 2nd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Orchard View Intermediate A/R (MIP 2018)

CABELL COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Cabell County:

Cabell County requests up to \$10,000,000 in SBA funding for a new Meadows Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$6,999,000 for a total project cost of \$16,999,000. Upon the completion of this project, the existing Meadows Elementary School will be demolished, and students will attend the new facility.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Meadows Elementary was constructed in 1939 on small, two-acre city block in Huntington along the busy Hal Greer Blvd. There are numerous life, health, and safety issues within this facility. The school has deficiencies related to improper air exchange requirements, power and data inadequacies, ADA inaccessibility, and access safety controls.
- The county proposes to replace the existing school on a 47-acre site that is two miles away from the present location. The county has noted that they intend to establish a STEM lab and place emphasis on arts education in the new facility.
- The enrollment for the new school as proposed (261) does not meet the SBA's economies of scale guidelines for a school of this grade configuration (330). The county has requested a waiver per SBA policy guidelines. Should the Authority choose to fund this project, the waiver to the expenditure of SBA funds shall be concurrently granted. In this case, the county has stated that they have begun a redistricting plan which will increase the design enrollment, however, the extent of the increase is not known at this time.
- The citizens of Cabell County passed a \$87,500,000 capital improvement bond in August 2020. This project represents the highest priority need in both the bond call and the county's 2020-2030 CEFP.
- The age and overall condition of the existing facility warrants replacement; however, the SBA staff feels that further cost savings could be realized through continued development of educational programming and building / site design. The staff feels this project could be considered more meritorious in a future funding cycle.

CABELL COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$10,000,000	59%	\$10,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 6,999,000	41%	\$ 6,999,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$16,999,000	100%	\$16,999,000

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 5,832,871.13
- NEEDS: \$ 47,374,819.00
- MIP: \$ 4,150,557.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS Funds: \$ 1,390,242.36
- **TOTAL: \$58,748,489.49**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Central City ES
New Guyandotte ES
New Village of Barboursville ES
New Martha ES
Beverly Hills MS Renovations
Culloden ES A/R
New Beverly Hills Enslow MS

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$192,100,525

Total County Budget: \$140,003,953

State Rank: 4th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

CALHOUN COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Calhoun County:

Calhoun County requests up to \$5,236,360 in SBA funding for new roof and HVAC renovations at Calhoun County Middle/High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$60,000 for a total project cost of \$5,296,360.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Calhoun County proposes to replace the HVAC over the middle school wing and cafeteria/commons area portion of this MS-HS facility. This project also includes replacing the boilers and chiller system for the entire facility. Where new HVAC rooftop units are proposed, the project also includes the replacement of these sections of roof, which is original to the facility and is in poor condition. The proposed roof replacement would occur in coordination with the HVAC renovations.
- In the previous Needs funding cycle, a complete system replacement at this facility was proposed. Since the project was not funded, the county has reviewed the submission, reduced the scope to create a phased approach, and plans to submit the next phases of this overall project in future funding cycles.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

CALHOUN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$5,236,360	89%	\$16,788,241
Local Funds	\$ 60,000	11%	\$ 0
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,296,360	100%	\$16,788,241

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 689,016.14
- NEEDS: \$19,954,651.46
- MIP: \$ 864,528.23
- Emergency: \$ 4,137,267.65
- SAS: \$ 127,612.86
- **Total: \$25,773,076.24**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Calhoun Co. MS/HS (2004)
New Arnoldsburg ES (2011)
Arnoldsburg ES Roof
Calhoun Co. MS/HS HVAC/Roof (2015)
Calhoun Co. MS/HS WWTP Ren. (2017)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$12,254,080

Total County Budget: \$10,502,928

State Rank: 55th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Calhoun Co. MS/HS Sanitation Renovations; Pleasant Hill HVAC Renovations

GILMER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Gilmer County:

Gilmer County requests up to \$2,787,399 in SBA funding for renovations at Gilmer County Middle/High School. These renovations include a new safe school entrance, Phase 3 of HVAC replacement, and half of the Vocation Shop will be renovated into a Meat Lab classroom. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$309,711 for a total project cost of \$3,097,110.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The original HVAC system has outlived its life expectancy and does not meet proper heating, cooling, and air exchange requirements according to current building codes and standards. This project proposes to replace existing HVAC units over the administrative area and the vocational wing.
- This project also proposes to replace the roof over the areas affected by the HVAC replacement. As these portions of roof are not draining properly and have reached the end of their life expectancies, replacement in coordination with the HVAC renovation at this area is the most ideal solution.
- In addition to the partial HVAC and roof replacement, this project also includes a meat processing classroom renovation and a safe school entrance, which address identified programmatic needs.
- The SBA has funded several projects of similar scope at this facility in previous funding cycles. Current conditions warrant improvement, however, given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

GILMER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,787,299	90%	\$2,787,399
Local Funds	\$ 309,711	10%	\$ 309,711
PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,097,110	100%	\$3,097,110

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 513,901.72
- NEEDS: \$16,105,072.94
- MIP: \$ 2,221,049.41
- Emergency: \$ 100,000.00
- SAS: \$ 106,447.78
- **Total: \$19,046,471.85**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Gilmer Elementary School
Glenville ES Renovations/Roof
Gilmer Co. HS HVAC/Roof Rep.
Gilmer Co. HS A/R

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$15,878,568

Total County Budget: \$10,935,870

State Rank: 54th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

GRANT COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Grant County:

Grant County requests up to \$3,166,259 in SBA funding for a roof replacement and HVAC renovations at Petersburg Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$200,000 for a total project cost of \$3,366,259.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The county proposes a full HVAC system replacement at this facility which includes rooftop units that have operated continuously since installation in 1993. The existing roof top units have compressors and circuits fail while operating with high inefficiency.
- The new HVAC system will convert the plenum (non-ducted ceiling cavity) return with a ducted return air system. The plenum system requires the building to be airtight with no leaks above the dropped ceiling space, which is not the situation with this facility. A ducted return air system means better efficiency and cleaner filtration of air as its flow is controlled. The current multi-zone units do not pull air equally from classrooms that are further away from the unit and this affects comfort levels throughout the building.
- The citizens of Grant County successfully passed an \$11.3 million school maintenance levy to replace, repair and modernize the five schools within the county. With the recent levy passage, the school system now has the means to complete all other improvements with local funds and says they will not return to the SBA for a funding request in this 10-year CEFPP cycle.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

GRANT COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$3,166,259	94%	\$3,166,259
Local Funds	\$ 200,000	6%	\$ 200,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,366,259	100%	\$3,366,259

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 790,236.33
- NEEDS: \$ 9,533,783.61
- MIP: \$ 2,037,383.05
- Emergency: \$ 1,096,903.89
- SAS: \$ 220,599.88
- **Total: \$13,678,906.76**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Union Ed. Sewage/Roof Replacement

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$54,574,882

Total County Budget: \$15,891,908 State Rank: 46th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Union Ed. Complex – New Roof & Sewage Treatment Plan

GREENBRIER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Greenbrier County:

Greenbrier County requests up to \$8,000,000 in SBA funding for renovations to the Alderson Community Center (former Alderson Middle/High School) which will become the new Alderson Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$3,000,000 for a total project cost of \$11,000,000. Upon completion of this project, the existing AES will be conveyed to the town of Alderson, which will serve as the new Community Center.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This project proposes to move the existing Alderson Elementary School from the facility that sits in the flood plain to an adjacent facility owned by the Town of Alderson, which is above the flood plain. This facility served as Alderson Middle-High School until it closed to students in 1992. Since that time, the Town of Alderson acquired the property, and it is currently used as a community center. The GCBOE and the Town have agreed to exchange properties upon commencement of construction.
- This project proposes to renovate the community center facility to serve as a PK-5 school. The proposed renovations include classroom & hallway location adjustments, new HVAC, ceilings, lighting, sprinkler system, windows, and doors. Proposed additions include four new classrooms which will house PreK and Kindergarten students along with a dining room, kitchen, elevator, and office suite.
- The enrollment for the new school as proposed (197) does not meet the SBA's economies of scale guidelines for a school of this grade configuration (330). The county has requested a waiver per SBA policy guidelines. Should the Authority choose to fund this project, the waiver to the expenditure of SBA funds shall be concurrently granted.
- The existing Alderson Elementary School has been flooded on four occasions. The most recent flood occurred in 2018. Currently the county pays approximately \$55,000 on annual flood insurance premiums.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant immediate replacement. This project addresses several criteria of the nine points to evaluate for funding. The staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the Needs grant program and is an excellent use of SBA funds.

GREENBRIER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 8,000,000	73%	\$ 8,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 3,000,000	27%	\$ 3,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$11,000,000	100%	\$11,000,000

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 2,396,703.59
- NEEDs: \$32,952,204.45
- MIP: \$ 3,133,350.45
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 579,468.99
- **Total: \$39,061,727.48**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

WGMS/Rupert ES Addition
County-wide Building Program

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **Yes**
Available Bonding Potential \$100,455,420
Total County Budget: \$47,374,332

State Rank: 18th

Ongoing SBA Projects: None

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Jefferson County:

Jefferson County requests up to \$7,508,668 in SBA funding for a new Shepherdstown Elementary School and a new Ranson Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$32,505,000 for a total project cost of \$40,013,668. Upon the completion of this project, the former Shepherdstown Elementary School facility will close, and the property will be sold. The former Ranson School will be repurposed as alternative programming for special needs, adult education, or a combination of multi-generational learning.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Ranson and Shepherdstown Elementary Schools are similar in that they are aging, antiquated buildings that have many health and safety deficiencies. The existing buildings do not meet current indoor air quality standards, safe secure entrances, and utility demands. Neither school has the space to serve Pre-Kindergarten students within the existing building. Both existing sites are limited and do not provide adequate space for additions, parking areas, and efficient traffic patterns.
- The new schools are proposed to be designed to be energy efficient, easy to maintain and will feature innovative and multi-use instructional areas. The county says they have the largest English Language Learning (ELL) population in the state. In addition, the county plans to have a fully integrated STEAM curriculum and the facilities will serve as county-wide training centers of staff facing similar challenges. The schools will include innovative design to serve the increased sensory and service needs of a growing special needs population and increase the emotional support services offered to their families.
- The citizens of Jefferson County passed a \$43.7 million capital improvement bond in November 2020 with 63.9% approval. The replacement of these two schools was listed in the Bond with language that stated if the County received sufficient funding from the SBA, they would proceed with design and construction. The county does not anticipate requesting additional SBA funding for any other project listed in the bond.
- The new Shepherdstown Elementary is being planned for an expanded campus to include a middle school addition in the future. The new Ranson Elementary Campus has a master plan for a new Middle and High School on site.
- The age and overall condition of these facilities warrant immediate replacement. This project addresses several of the nine criteria used to evaluate projects for funding. The SBA staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the needs program, is an excellent use of SBA funds.

JEFFERSON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 7,508,668	19%	\$ 7,508,668
Local Funds	\$32,505,000	81%	\$32,505,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$40,013,668	100%	\$40,013,668

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 2,471,121.60
- NEEDs: \$49,169,844.96
- MIP: \$ 3,933,239.92
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 933,260.55
- **Total: \$56,507,467.03**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Harpers Ferry MS A/R
New Driswood Elementary

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$193,951,787

Total County Budget: \$104,295,239

State Rank: 8th

Ongoing SBA Projects: 2020 MIP T. A. Lowery ES HVAC Controls Replacement

KANAWHA COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Kanawha County:

Kanawha County requests up to \$8,209,886 in SBA funding for renovations and additions to the Cedar Grove Middle School facility which will transition to serving the Cedar Grove Elementary School students. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,052,471 for a total project cost of \$10,262,357. Upon completion of this project, the middle school portion of the Cedar Grove facility will close, and middle school students will attend Dupont Middle School.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Kanawha County proposes additions and renovations to the current CGEMS facility that will transition to serving only the elementary school students of the area. KCS plans to move the middle school students of Cedar Grove to Dupont Middle School and move the elementary students to the middle school section of the current facility. The elementary school portion of the facility will be demolished, and additions and renovations are proposed around the two-story middle school section.
- The project proposes to create a stand-alone, newly renovated Cedar Grove Elementary School. Within a two-wing addition as proposed, this project includes a new administrative area and a new PE/fitness area as well as an upgraded site design with separate parent and bus drop-off areas. Additional renovations include a new HVAC system, window replacement, a roof replacement, and new suspended ceilings throughout entire facility.
- While portions of the facility sit in the 100-year flood plain, KCS has stated the design for the finished-floor-elevations in the additions will be a minimum of two feet above this mark.
- School closure hearings have been held at each affected school, and the county board of education has approved the closure of this facility. As of the publish date of this document, school closure approval had not been obtained by the WVBE; however, consideration of approval is on the agenda for the April 14, 2021 meeting of the State Board.
- Current conditions of the existing facility warrant improvement of the school environment; however, other projects may be more meritorious. Consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

KANAWHA COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 8,209,886	80%	\$ 8,209,886
Local Funds	\$ 2,052,471	20%	\$ 2,052,471
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$10,262,357	100%	\$10,262,357

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$13,542,418.42
- NEEDS: \$60,182,471.30
- MIP: \$ 5,999,739.00
- Emergency: \$ 1,621,292.64
- SAS: \$ 3,165,734.37
- **Total: \$84,511,655.73**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Andrews Heights A/R (2016)
New Mary C. Snow ES (2008)
New Edgewood ES (2010)
New Dunbar Primary/Int. Schools
Piedmont ES A/R
Elkview MS A/R
New Sissonville MS
New Riverside HS
St. Albans HS A/R
Ben Franklin HVAC (2017)
Alum Creek ES A/R (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential:	\$502,478,392	
Total County Budget:	\$302,243,995	State Rank: 1 st

Ongoing SBA Project(s): **New Herbert Hoover HS (FEMA); New Bridge-Clendenin ES (FEMA); Ben Franklin HVAC (2017); Alum Creek ES A/R (2020)**

LEWIS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Lewis County:

Lewis County requests up to \$241,364 in SBA funding for construction of safe school entrances at Peterson Central Elementary School and Roanoke Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$241,364 for a total project cost of \$482,728.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The offices at both facilities sit away from the main entrance and allow visitors direct access to common areas, as well as all other areas before entering the main office. The proposed renovations would provide new secure entrances that would direct visitors to the main office to control access to the building.
- Peterson Central Elementary and Roanoke Elementary are the only two facilities in the county without safe school entrances.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding other projects may be more meritorious.

LEWIS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$241,364	50%	\$241,364
Local Funds	\$241,364	50%	\$241,364
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$482,728	100%	\$482,728

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,235,230.26
- NEEDs: \$38,839,731.22
- MIP: \$ 1,120,043.80
- Emergency: \$ 350,000.00
- SAS: \$ 300,338.95
- **Total:** **\$41,845,344.23**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Leading Creek ES (2012)
New Peterson Central ES
Robert L. Bland MS Café Reno.
Robert L. Bland Renovations (2006)
Jane Lew ES A/R (2013)
Jane Lew MS Roof
Jane Lew ES/MS Asbestos Abatement
New Harts PK-9 (2008 & 2009)
Lewis Co. HS Roof Replacement (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential: \$50,121,370
Total County Budget: \$23,412,200 State Rank: 38th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

MARION COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Marion County:

Marion County requests up to \$1,080,040 in SBA funding for a roof replacement at East Fairmont High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$500,000 for a total project cost of \$1,580,040.

STAFF COMMENTS

- East Fairmont High School was constructed in 1992. The roof is original to the facility and is at the end of its life expectancy. This school has water seepage and drainage issues from the roof and foundation. Leaks from above have warped the wood parquet flooring in the auxiliary gym. Water has run down walls and stained ceiling tiles. Water damage has caused the school to completely discontinue the use of one classroom.
- Due to the severity of need at this facility, the project warrants funding consideration, however, other projects in this cycle are more meritorious.

MARION COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$1,080,040	68%	\$1,080,040
Local Funds	\$ 500,000	32%	\$ 500,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$1,580,040	100%	\$1,580,040

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 3,736,074.03
- Needs: \$28,622,841.10
- MIP: \$ 3,129,149.25
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS \$ 901,767.50
- **Total: \$36,389,831.88**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Jayenne ES Renovations (2006)
New East Fairmont MS (2011)
East Dale ES A/R (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$136,417,461

Total County Budget: \$90,191,207 State Rank: 11th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): East Dale ES Addition/Renovations (Needs 2020)

MCDOWELL COUNTY

Project as Proposed by McDowell County:

McDowell County requests up to \$18,665,600 in SBA funding for the construction of a new elementary school for the Fall River, Kimball, and Welch areas. The county is unable to commit any funds to the project. Upon completion of this project, Fall River Elementary, Kimball Elementary, and Welch Elementary School facilities will close, and students will attend this new school.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Kimball and Welch Elementary Schools were both constructed in 1954 and have inadequate sites located in the 100-year flood plain. Even though these schools are nearly 70 years old, the facilities have been well-maintained. Upgrades to HVAC, windows, roof, plumbing and lighting would be needed to bring these schools in compliance with current code.
- Fall River Elementary, which is the newest of the three schools, will be converted into the county's Career and Technical Center, replacing the current outdated and oversized McDowell County Career Center if the county is awarded funding for this project.
- McDowell County has identified three potential sites located in the same vicinity of the Mount View High School and have option to purchase pending project approval.
- School closure hearings have been held at each affected school, and the county board of education has approved the closure of these facilities. As of the publish date of this document, school closure approval had not been obtained by the WVBE; however, consideration of approval is on the agenda for the April 14, 2021 meeting of the State Board.
- Current conditions of the existing facility warrant improvement; however, given the limited funding available for projects this year, other projects may be more meritorious. Consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

MCDOWELL COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$18,665,600	100%	\$18,665,600
Local Funds	\$ 0	0%	\$ 0
PROJECT TOTAL	\$18,665,600	100%	\$18,665,600

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 3,135,831.53
- NEEDs: \$65,923,175.08
- MIP: \$ 853,000.00
- Emergency: \$ 4,591,880.98
- SAS \$ 423,097.41
- **Total: \$74,926,985.00**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Bradshaw ES Renovations
New Sandy River MS
Mount View HS A/R
Mount View HS Structural Renov.

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$35,208,043

Total County Budget: \$32,400,935

State Rank: 33rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

MERCER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Mercer County:

Mercer County requests up to \$11,501,524 in SBA funding for the construction of a new elementary school for the Bluewell/Brushfork area. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$3,000,000 for a total project cost of \$14,501,524. Upon the completion of this project, the existing Bluewell Elementary School and Brushfork Elementary School will close.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Bluewell and Brushfork Elementary Schools are similar in that they are aging, antiquated buildings that have many health and safety deficiencies. The existing buildings do not meet current indoor air quality standards, ADA accessibility requirements, and utility demands. Both schools have portable classrooms that are in poor condition. Both existing sites are limited and do not provide adequate space for additions, parking areas, and efficient traffic pathways.
- Mercer County has purchased a 30-acre site for the location of the new school. This site is located 2.5 miles from the existing Bluewell School and 6.6 miles from Brushfork Elementary. The county's architect, ZMM Architects and Engineers, has completed a feasibility study for this site and finds it to be suitable for development.
- This project was submitted in the 2020 Needs funding cycle but was not selected for funding because the county had not completed school closure hearings and obtained closure approval from the WVBE. Since that time, the county has completed all required school closure/consolidation steps and received closure approval from the WVBE on March 11, 2020. In addition, the county has committed an additional \$2,000,000 toward the total cost of the project from last cycle's submission.
- The age and overall condition of this facilities warrant immediate replacement. This project addresses several of the nine criteria used to evaluate projects for funding. The SBA staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the needs program, is an excellent use of SBA funds, and should be funded at the level requested.

MERCER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 9,630,821	66%	\$ 9,630,821
Local Funds	\$ 5,000,000	34%	\$ 5,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$14,630,821	100%	\$14,630,821

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 4,554,565.10
- Needs: \$49,135,782.02
- MIP: \$ 4,019,014.00
- Emergency: \$ 274,918.29
- SAS \$ 1,061,503.48
- **Total: \$59,045,782.89**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Oakvale Elementary School (2011)
Pikeview Middle School (2008)
Pikeview High School
New Bluefield Area Intermediate ES
New Princeton Area ES
Princeton MS Renovations (2006)
Princeton HS A/R
Mountain Valley ES (2016)
Bluefield Primary (2017)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$99,200,763	
Total County Budget:	\$96,133,556	State Rank: 10 th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Bluefield Primary School (2017)

MINERAL COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Mineral County:

Mineral County requests up to \$19,147,590 in SBA funding for a new Frankfort Area PK-4 School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,127,510 for a total project cost of \$21,275,100. Upon the completion of this project, the existing Fort Ashby Primary K-2, Wiley Ford Primary PreK-2, and Frankfort Intermediate School will close.

STAFF COMMENTS

- These three schools are in poor condition with boilers and other HVAC, windows, doors, roofs beyond their life expectancy. Numerous health and safety deficiencies were found throughout and there are no safe school entrances at any of these schools.
- Frankfort Intermediate School's drinking water supply was found to have metal debris present, so students and staff must use bottled water at all times. The school has an old underground fuel storage tank that has not been inspected. The facility has two exterior buildings where students must travel outside under covered walkways.
- The County has identified the existing Frankfort Middle and High School campus for the location of this new Elementary School facility. The location meets all WVBE Policy 6200 requirements for size and adequacy.
- School closure hearings have been held at each affected school, and the county board of education has approved the closure of these facilities. As of the publish date of this document, school closure approval had not been obtained by the WVBE; however, consideration of approval is on the agenda for the April 14, 2021 meeting of the State Board.
- The age and overall condition of the existing facilities warrant replacement; however, the SBA staff feels that further cost savings could be realized through continued development of educational programming and building / site design. The staff feels this project could be considered more meritorious in a future funding cycle.

MINERAL COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$19,147,590	90%	\$19,147,590
Local Funds	\$ 2,127,510	10%	\$ 2,127,510
PROJECT TOTAL	\$21,275,100	100%	\$21,275,100

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,869,997.83
- NEEDs: \$29,638,519.49
- MIP: \$ 858,953.58
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 505,947.69
- **Total: \$32,873,418.59**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Frankfort HS Renovations (2006)
New Keyser PK-4 (2011)
New Keyser HS
Keyser MS HVAC Renovations

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No
Available Bonding Potential \$59,350,516
Total County Budget: \$45,580,839 State Rank: 20th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): 2020 Keyser MS HVAC/Roof

MONONGALIA COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Monongalia County:

Monongalia County requests up to \$1,665,150 in SBA funding for a STEM classroom/lab additions and secure entrance to Monongalia County Technical Center. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,665,150 for a total project cost of \$3,330,300.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This facility will transition to serve as a Middle School Technical Center once a new Monongalia CTE Academy facility is built. This project proposes to add a 7,560 square foot, (3) classroom addition which will house new and innovative programs of e-gaming, robotics, and pre-engineering. A safe school entrance is also proposed for the main entrance within the existing entry space.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

MONONGALIA COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$1,665,150	50%	\$1,665,150
Local Funds	\$1,665,150	50%	\$1,665,150
PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,330,300	100%	\$3,330,300

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 3,945,252.85
- NEEDs: \$56,366,391.50
- MIP: \$ 2,616,880.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 1,151,742.01
- **Total: \$64,080,266.36**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Eastwood ES (2010)
New Westwood ES
Suncrest MS Renovations
Morgantown HS Addition
New University HS
University MS HVAC Rep.
New Suncrest ES (2014)
Brookhaven ES Renovations (2015)
South MS Renovations (2016)
Mountainview ES Renovations (2017)
Morgantown HS Renovations (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$324,660,933	
Total County Budget:	\$141,465,797	State Rank: 3 rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

MONROE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Monroe County:

Monroe County requests up to \$1,153,170 in SBA funding for a roof replacement at James Monroe High School and roof drain replacements at Mountain View PK-8 School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$193,141 for a total project cost of \$1,346,311.

STAFF COMMENTS

- James Monroe High School was constructed with SBA funding in 1994. The roof is original to the facility and has a ballasted (gravel) EDPM (rubber) roof system. The roof has begun to leak in several places. Maintenance staff repaired several seams and the metal caps where water infiltrates exterior walls; however, this is an ongoing issue with an aging membrane and rusting metal decking underneath. This project proposes to remove and replace the entire roof at this facility with a fully adhered EPDM roof with tapered insulation that meets all current building codes and standards.
- The JMHS portion of the project was submitted for consideration in the 2019 MIP and 2020 Needs funding cycles. Since the project was not funded, the scope and budget were reviewed and updated. Additional work scope was added for Mountain View PK-8 School that includes the replacement of all roof drains. The existing drains are deteriorating and causing leaks throughout the facility.
- Due to the severity of need at this facility, the project warrants funding consideration, especially when compared to other roof projects submitted; however, other projects are more meritorious.

MONROE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$1,153,170	86%	\$1,153,170
Local Funds	\$ 193,141	14%	\$ 193,141
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,346,311	100%	\$1,346,311

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 810,948.95
- NEEDs: \$39,351,115.55
- MIP: \$ 1,087,217.41
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 221,117.92
- Total: \$41,470,399.83**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Mountainview K-8
Peterstown ES A/R; HVAC
Monroe Vo. Tech Renovations (2006)
Mountainview K-8 Addition

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$27,088,415	
Total County Budget:	\$18,576,062	State Rank: 43 rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Peterstown PK-8 (Needs)

OHIO COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Ohio County:

Ohio County requests up to \$18,000,000 in SBA funding for renovations at six schools. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$5,301,212 for a total project cost of \$23,301,212. These projects are part of a capital improvement bond that was passed in May 2018.

STAFF COMMENTS

- As a part of this project, Ohio County proposes renovations at six (6) schools including Wheeling Middle School, Warwood PK-8 School, Bethlehem Elementary School, Elm Grove Elementary School, Middle Creek Elementary School, and Woodsdale Elementary School. Renovations and additions proposed in each school include security & safety improvements; classroom environment improvements; HVAC, electrical, lighting, and other infrastructure upgrades; and fire alarm/life-safety system renovations.
- Each of these schools have already begun the design process and are at least to the 50% Design Phase. Three schools – Warwood PK-8, Woodsdale Elementary, and Bethlehem Elementary Schools – have been fully designed and are ready to be released to bid as soon as funding is secured.
- Since the March Superintendent Interview, the county has provided additional educational programming details, which highlight proposed educational innovations, curriculum improvements, and student/staff support program areas that enhance the county's grant request.
- The citizens of Ohio County passed a capital improvement bond May 8, 2018 with 60% voter approval. The bond was for \$42,000,000 with improvement to all thirteen (13) schools in the county. At that time, the county noted they would be approaching the SBA for \$27,000,000 in grants over a period of 3 to 5 years totaling \$69,000,000 in local and SBA improvements within Ohio County. This project represents the final phase of SBA request. In December 2018, the SBA awarded Needs grant funding in the amount of \$9,000,000 for improvements to Bridge Street and Triadelphia Middle Schools.
- This project addresses several of the criteria used to evaluate projects for funding. The staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the needs program, is an excellent use of SBA funds.

OHIO COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$18,000,000	77%	\$18,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 5,301,212	23%	\$ 5,301,212
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$23,301,212	100%	\$23,301,212

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 2,210,434.24
- NEEDs: \$28,491,863.50
- MIP: \$ 1,573,542.94
- Emergency: \$ 339,803.00
- SAS: \$ 596,299.39
- **Total: \$33,211,943.07**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Bridge Street MS HVAC Reno. (2006)
Ritchie ES Renovations (2014)
Wheeling Park HS A/R
Wheeling Park HS Auditorium (2008)
Madison ES Renovations
Ritchie MS Renovations
Fire Alarm Repl. at 8 schools
Bridge Street MS & Triadelphia MS A/R (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$151,387,299	
Total County Budget:	\$60,238,909	State Rank: 16 th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Bridge Street MS & Triadelphia MS A/R (Needs 2018)

PLEASANTS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Pleasants County:

Pleasants County requests up to \$1,174,513 in SBA funding for electrical, lighting, and sprinkler system replacement and upgrades at Pleasants County Middle School. This project also includes freezers/coolers at Pleasants County Middle School and St. Marys Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$207,267 for a total project cost of \$1,381,780.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The sprinkler system at PCMS has deteriorated past the point of repair. To replace the sprinkler system, the existing ceilings and lights, which are in poor condition, will need to be removed to access the area. Therefore, new lights and ceilings are proposed as a part of this project.
- The food service storage areas at both SMES and PCMS do not meet requirements for dry storage, freezer or refrigerator storage. Electrical, mechanical, and structural upgrades are proposed in this area to accommodate the freezer and refrigerator additions.
- The county reviewed the necessity of an architect for the cooler and freezer scope of work at both schools. It was determined that with the change in electrical demand and the coordination of the design within the existing spaces relating to building structure and required ventilation, this professional service is needed.
- The scope of this project represents only a portion of need at these two facilities. The SBA staff recommends a review of the overall need, which could create a more comprehensive and impactful project proposal to better serve the county.

PLEASANTS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$1,174,513	85%	\$1,174,513
Local Funds	\$ 207,267	15%	\$ 207,267
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,381,780	100%	\$1,381,780

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 592,257.00
- NEEDs: \$19,188,268.93
- MIP: \$ 1,623,372.39
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 150,013.97
- **Total: \$21,553,912.29**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Pleasants Co. MS Roof (2006)
St. Marys ES - Renovations
Pleasants Co. MS A/R (2016)
Belmont ES Renovation
New St. Marys HS (2011)
Pleasants Co. MS Restroom Reno. (2017)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$25,706,280

Total County Budget: \$15,492,870 State Rank: 47th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Pleasants Co. MS Restroom & HVAC Reno.; St. Marys & Belmont ES Safe Schools Entrances

POCAHONTAS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Pocahontas County:

Pocahontas County requests up to \$4,850,000 in SBA funding for a county-wide HVAC, electrical, window, door, and sprinkler system upgrades as a part of an Energy Savings Performance Contract. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,810,929 of loan proceeds for a total project cost of \$7,660,929.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This project proposes to address needs throughout all of Pocahontas County's facilities. The County and the design team have identified several portions of work that are important to the project but do not offer a high return on investment. These items include components such as boilers and associated boiler piping. With an SBA investment, these low ROI items as proposed could more quickly achieve savings and the term of the energy savings loan may be shortened.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding other projects may be more meritorious. The SBA staff recommends that if Pocahontas County is not funded in this cycle, they return for consideration in the future with the realized savings from the energy management effort.

POCAHONTAS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$4,850,000	63%	\$4,850,000
Local Funds	\$2,810,929	37%	\$2,810,929
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$7,660,929	100%	\$7,660,929

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 619,439.91
- NEEDs: \$ 9,309,939.36
- MIP: \$ 2,515,507.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 136,426.26
- **Total: \$12,581,312.53**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Marlinton MS & Green Bank ES Reno.
Hillsboro ES A/R

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No
Available Bonding Potential \$35,072,207
Total County Budget: \$14,497,949 State Rank: 49th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): 2019 MIP Green Bank ES/MS Roof and Boiler Replacement

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Randolph County:

Randolph County requests up to \$5,421,157 in SBA funding for an addition and renovations to the Randolph County Technical Center. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$5,521,157.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This project proposes to add a 15,854 square foot addition of new classroom/laboratory space for Career in Education Pathways, Welding, HVAC, and Plumbing career technical training trades. These programs are being developed in response to the increased need in the community/county. A new sprinkler system for the entire facility and new safe school entrance is also proposed as a part of this project.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding, other projects may be more meritorious.

RANDOLPH COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$5,421,157	98%	\$5,421,157
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	2%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,521,157	100%	\$5,521,157

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,942,864.46
- NEEDs: \$32,930,045.94
- MIP: \$ 4,072,335.09
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 492,359.43
- **Total: \$39,437,604.92**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Elkins MS HVAC/Elec./Asbestos (2008)
Elkins MS Plumbing/Elec. Reno.
New Pickens School
Tygart Valley HS A/R
Beverly & George Ward ES Reno. (2017)
Elkins HS Roof/HVAC (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$74,143,540
Total County Budget: \$37,863,355 State Rank: 29th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Tygarts Valley MS/HS Door Replacement (MIP 2020)

RITCHIE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Ritchie County:

Ritchie County requests up to \$17,160,000 in SBA funding for a new Harrisville Elementary School and a new Creed Collins Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$4,610,000 and bond funding in the amount of \$4,630,000 for a total project cost of \$26,400,000. Upon the completion of the project, the existing facilities will be demolished, and students will attend the new facilities.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Harrisville and Creed Collins Elementary Schools are similar in that they are aging, antiquated buildings that have many health and safety deficiencies. The existing buildings do not meet current indoor air quality standards, ADA accessibility requirements, and utility demands.
- The county proposes to construct a new Harrisville Elementary and Creed Collins Elementary School on the sites of the two existing facilities that sit less than ten miles apart. The enrollments for the new schools as proposed (194, 195) do not meet the SBA's economies of scale guidelines for a school of this grade configuration (280). The county has requested a waiver per SBA policy guidelines. Should the Authority choose to fund this project, the waiver to the expenditure of SBA funds shall be concurrently granted.
- Because of the proposed design enrollments that are low, project costs associated with each of these schools are in excess of the SBA's funding formula. However, the county has developed a preliminary Educational Specification that describes the necessary building requirements.
- In support of this project, the voters of Ritchie County passed a \$5.63 million bond that included \$4.63 million in total funding for these two schools. The county had previously failed a \$9.9 million bond in 2017 and a \$7.9 million bond in 2018 that included the consolidation of these two schools.
- While the condition of the existing facilities warrant improvement, the proposed solution to build two small, high-cost schools with requested funding in the amount of \$17,160,000 is more than the total project cost associated with building a combined school. A new combined Harrisville – Creed Collins Elementary School, according to the SBA's funding formula, should cost \$15,033,790, and would be well above the SBA's economies of scale guidelines. This alternative project would cost approximately \$2.1 million less than Ritchie County's 2021 Needs grant request to the SBA.

RITCHIE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$17,160,000	65%	\$17,160,000
Local Funds	\$ 4,610,000	17%	\$ 4,610,000
Bond Funds	\$ 4,630,000	18%	\$ 4,630,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$26,400,000	100%	\$26,400,000

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 741,327.52
- NEEDs: \$17,475,576.47
- MIP: \$ 1,402,987.23
- Emergency: \$ 1,607,259.25
- SAS: \$ 178,500.43
- **Total: \$21,405,650.90**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Smithville ES A/R

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$63,524,898
Total County Budget: \$19,406,874

State Rank: 42nd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

ROANE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Roane County:

Roane County requests up to \$13,950,090 in SBA funding for a new Spencer Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,550,010 for a total project cost of \$15,500,100. Upon the completion of this project, the existing Spencer Middle School will close and become the County BOE Office, and students will attend the new facility.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Spencer Middle School facility operates in the old Spencer High School, which does not meet today's building codes and standards. Deficiencies include, but are not limited to, site and parking adequacy, ADA accessibility, HVAC / air exchange requirements, and safe school measures. The aging school has significant air circulation, moisture, electrical, and life safety issues. The facility sits adjacent to an industrial rubber plant and the play fields are in the flood plain.
- The citizens of Roane County passed a \$9,754,000 capital improvement bond in November 2018 to provide renovations at all five schools within the county. Plans to construct a new Spencer Middle School attached to the SBA-funded Roane County HS were identified in the bond. The county, along with their design team and the SBA, have developed a preliminary educational specification that gains efficiencies in the design through sharing some core spaces with the HS. By utilizing existing space, the project is anticipated to save nearly \$2,102,716 over the cost of a new middle school facility.
- Since the superintendent interview meeting, the Roane Co. BOE has elected to commit \$1,550,010 in local funding to the total cost of this project. The finance plan below reflects the new funding commitment.
- This project was submitted for Needs funding consideration in the last two funding cycles. Since that time, the county has completed all renovations at the other schools as identified in the bond, and savings from these projects is part of the local funds contribution.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant replacement. This project addresses several of the nine criteria used to evaluate projects for funding. The SBA staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the needs program, is an excellent use of SBA funds.

ROANE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$13,950,090	90%	\$13,950,090
Local Funds	\$ 1,550,010	10%	\$ 1,550,010
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$15,500,100	100%	\$15,500,100

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,246,152.29
- NEEDS: \$20,019,353.35
- MIP: \$ 955,745.70
- Emergency: \$ 302,846.00
- SAS: \$ 287,182.44
- **Total: \$22,811,279.78**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Geary ES A/R (2009)
 Spencer ES A/R
 Spencer ES Roof/HVAC
 Spencer ES Gym Addition (2015)
 Walton ES/MS Addition
 Spencer MS Roof/Doors/Windows
 Roane County HS HVAC

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No
 Available Bonding Potential \$28,947,279
 Total County Budget: \$19,542,150 State Rank: 41st

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

SUMMERS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Summers County:

Summers County requests up to \$8,199,876 in SBA funding for an addition and renovations at Summers County High School. The county is not able to commit local funds to this project.

STAFF COMMENTS

- In October 2020, the Summers County BOE and the WVBE approved the closure of Summers County Middle School due to the extensive roof deterioration, poor indoor air quality, handicap inaccessibility, and asbestos material present throughout the facility. This action coincided with the inclusion of the middle school students within the SCHS facility and an associated addition/renovation project as the top priority in Summers County's 2020-2030 CERP.
- After the closure of SCMS and given the low utilization factor at SCHS facility, the county elected to relocate the middle school students to this facility to achieve a significant savings in project costs versus building a new, small middle school. In addition, the county will realize significant operational savings by housing the functions of two schools into one comprehensive middle-high school facility.
- This project proposes additions and renovations to Summers County High School to adequately house the middle school enrollment. The scope of the work will include an eight-classroom addition, a wellness area, and a new cafeteria to house the middle school students. Six classrooms will be renovated in the existing facility to accommodate expanded course offerings. These additions and renovations will allow the existing facility to be a comprehensive 6-12 middle-high school and will give the county the ability to offer CTE programs to middle school students.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant replacement. This project addresses several of the nine criteria used to evaluate projects for funding. The SBA staff feels this project meets the goals and objectives of the needs program, is an excellent use of SBA funds, if available.

SUMMERS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$8,199,876	100%	\$8,199,876
Local Funds	\$ 0	0%	\$ 0
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$8,199,876	100%	\$8,199,876

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 883,027.81
- NEEDs: \$20,435,382.79
- MIP: \$ 731,906.63
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 175,054.89
- **Total: \$22,225,372.12**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Hinton ES Renovations
Hinton ES Roof/HVAC
New Talcott ES (2006)
Summers Co. MS Renovations
Summers Co. MS Fire Alarm/HVAC
Summers Co. HS HVAC (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$28,969,990
Total County Budget: \$14,570,515 State Rank: 48th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Summers Co. HS HVAC (Needs 2020)

TAYLOR COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Taylor County:

Taylor County requests up to \$820,200 in SBA funding for a roof replacement at Grafton High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$273,408 in local funds for a total project cost of 1,093,608.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The roof on this facility has been well maintained; however, the roofing system is 20-plus years old and has far exceeded its life expectancy. The roof needs replaced, but with careful maintenance, the county may be able to further extend its useful life.
- The ballasted (gravel) roofing will be replaced with a new fully adhered EPDM roof with tapered insulation. Taylor County projects a \$40,000 annual savings in labor and materials for repairs and replacing ceiling tile.
- Of the roof projects submitted in this Needs funding cycle, the SBA staff ranks this project as the least urgent given its overall condition. Therefore, the staff does not feel it should be funded in sacrifice of other projects.

TAYLOR COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 820,200	75%	\$ 820,200
Local Funds	\$ 273,408	25%	\$ 273,408
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,093,608	100%	\$1,093,608

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,090,825.75
- NEEDS: \$12,092,255.00
- MIP: \$ 2,896,658.14
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 273,305.80
- **Total: \$16,353,044.69**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Anna Jarvis ES Renovations
Grafton HS Addition
Grafton HS HVAC
New Elementary School
Taylor Co. MS Heat Pump Rep. (2016)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$48,476,614
Total County Budget: \$26,144,095 State Rank: 35th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): **None**

TUCKER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Tucker County:

Tucker County requests up to \$927,722 in SBA funding for a door replacement project at Davis Thomas Elementary School and Tucker County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$50,000 in local funds for a total project cost of \$977,722.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This project proposes to replace 21 of the 28 exterior door systems at Davis Thomas Elementary-Middle School and selective repairs/painting of all 60 existing exterior doors at Tucker County High School.
- The replacement of the door system would include doors, frames, electronic locking mechanisms, hardware, and sidelights. While not all are in relative condition, the doors that are in the most disrepair are on the south side which receives the most weather exposure as these have lintels, frames and doors rusted to the point they require replacement to function properly. The replacement for the remaining doors would be cosmetic to create a uniform appearance around the building.
- This project was submitted in the 2020 MIP funding cycle but not funded. This project is listed as Tucker County's top two prioritized projects in the 2020-30 CEFP.
- The county will use their local funds over the summer to replace as many doors as they can. Any SBA Grant award would aid them with additional door replacements; however, other projects in this funding cycle are more meritorious.

	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$927,722	95%	\$927,722
Local Funds	\$ 50,000	5%	\$ 50,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$977,722	100%	\$977,722

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 553,980.71
- NEEDS: \$19,804,219.66
- MIP: \$ 2,753,083.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 126,237.71
- **Total: \$23,237,521.08**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Davis Thomas ES/MS HVAC
Tucker Co. HS HVAC
Tucker Co. HS Addition
Tucker Co. HS HVAC Replacement
Tucker Co. HS/CTC Fire Alarm/ADA
Tucker Co. CTC Roof Replacement

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$31,585,043
Total County Budget: \$12,210,557 State Rank: 52nd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Tucker Valley ES/MS HVAC Renovations

TYLER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Tyler County:

Tyler County requests up to \$5,794,244 in SBA funding for Phase II HVAC and lighting upgrades at Tyler Consolidated Middle/High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,931,415 for a total project cost of \$7,725,659.

STAFF COMMENTS

- As Phase II, this project proposes to upgrade HVAC systems that serve classrooms, gyms, the auditorium, band, and music areas on the upper level as well as the school's office suite, stairwell, and lowest level locker/weight room. A complete electrical system upgrade is proposed along with fire protection, sprinklers, and lighting system renovations.
- This project will complete a full mechanical and electrical system upgrade at this facility, which will address air exchange deficiencies and Fire Marshal concerns.
- Tyler County Middle/High School was constructed with SBA funding in 1993. The HVAC systems contained in this phase are nearing the end of their life expectancy.
- Current conditions and proposed improvements warrant consideration; however, the SBA staff feels other projects may be more meritorious in this funding cycle.

	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$5,794,244	75%	\$5,794,244
Local Funds	\$1,932,415	25%	\$1,932,415
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$7,725,659	100%	\$7,725,659

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 735,425.80
- NEEDs: \$19,970,667.00
- MIP: \$ 1,095,702.00
- Emergency: \$ 605,033.80
- SAS: \$ 169,086.06
- **Total: \$22,575,914.66**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

A. I. Boreman ES Addition
Sistersville ES A/R
Tyler Co. MS/HS HVAC
HVAC Replacement 3 schools
Tyler Consolidated MS/HS HVAC Ph I (2017)
Boreman and Sistersville ES Roofs (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No
Available Bonding Potential \$101,894,239
Total County Budget: \$25,914,409 State Rank: 36th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

UPSHUR COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Upshur County:

Upshur County requests up to \$2,737,606 in SBA funding for renovations and additions to Tennerton Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$196,716 for a total project cost of \$2,934,322.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Upshur County proposes to add a two-classroom addition to house PreK and Kindergarten students along with an Art Studio to create a STREAM-based educational delivery model. This will eliminate a portable classroom room that currently houses one kindergarten classroom. Upon completion of this project, some students from Buckhannon Academy Pre-Kindergarten will attend this school which will reduce travel time for these students.
- The County proposes to develop the Pre-Kindergarten curriculum and classroom designs in partnership with the WVDE and the Benedum Foundation to implement an innovative teaching curriculum practice called the Reggio Emilia approach.
- Current conditions of the existing facility warrant improvement of the school environment; however, other projects may be more meritorious. Consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

UPSHUR COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,737,606	93%	\$2,737,606
Local Funds	\$ 196,716	7%	\$ 196,716
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$2,934,322	100%	\$2,934,322

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,743,084.41
- NEEDS: \$13,657,231.55
- MIP: \$ 3,829,602.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 430,502.38
- **Total: \$19,660,420.34**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Electric/Light Upgrades 7 schools
HVAC Upgrades at 3 schools
New Buckhannon Upshur MS (2011)
Tennerton ES Roof/Reno. (2017)
Hodgesville ES A/R (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **Yes**
Available Bonding Potential \$59,267,776
Total County Budget: \$39,370,107 State Rank: 28th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Union ES Roof Replacement

WAYNE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Wayne County:

Wayne County requests up to \$23,935,788 in SBA funding for renovations and additions to the Buffalo Middle School facility which will transition to serve as the new Buffalo PK-8 School facility. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,000,000 for a total project cost of \$24,935,788. Upon completion of this project, the existing Buffalo Elementary School facility will be demolished.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing Buffalo Elementary School building is an antiquated facility that has many health and safety deficiencies. The existing facility does not meet current indoor air quality standards, ADA accessibility requirements, and utility demands. There are stormwater drainage issues on the site that have been mitigated by the county.
- The project proposes to add a 66,000 sq. ft. addition to house PK-5 students at this combined facility. The additions include classroom spaces, multi-purpose room, and office suite, and a new kitchen and cafeteria that will serve the entire PK-8 facility. The project also proposes renovating 34,000 sq. ft. of the middle school facility to alleviate HVAC, electrical, ADA and other building infrastructure issues.
- School closure hearings have been held at each affected school, and the county board of education has approved the closure of this facility. As of the publish date of this document, school closure approval had not been obtained by the WVBE; however, consideration of approval is on the agenda for the April 14, 2021 meeting of the State Board.
- The age and overall condition of the existing facilities warrant replacement; however, the SBA staff feels that further cost savings could be realized through continued development of educational programming and building / site design. The staff feels this project could be considered more meritorious in a future funding cycle.

WAYNE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$23,935,788	98%	\$23,935,788
Local Funds	\$ 1,000,000	2%	\$ 1,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$24,935,788	100%	\$24,935,788

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 2,634,734.64
- NEEDS: \$66,398,297.99
- MIP: \$ 841,562.90
- Emergency: \$ 2,000,000.00
- SAS: \$ 856,265.68
- **Total: \$72,730,861.21**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Fort Gay School (2010)
Kellogg ES Renovations
New Ceredo Kenova ES (2014)
New Crum Elementary (2014)
Wayne HS Renovations (2014)
New Spring Valley HS
Spring Valley HS HVAC/Roof (2017)
County-wide Roofing Project (2020)

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$66,466,365	
Total County Budget:	\$68,477,048	State Rank: 14 th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): County-wide Roofing Project (2019 Needs); East Lynn ES WWTP (2019 MIP)

WEBSTER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Webster County:

Webster County requests up to \$3,634,408 in SBA funding for HVAC renovations, façade improvements, and sidewalk replacements at Webster Springs Middle/High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$3,734,408.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Webster County High School was constructed in 1976 and currently houses grades 7th through 12th. The current HVAC system consists of a Geothermal system that is made-up of roughly thirty Rooftop Units which were installed in 1997. Currently, four of the units do not work and the remaining have exceeded their life expectancy and require constant maintenance. The county's maintenance staff tries to maintain these units, but parts continue to become more difficult to acquire.
- This project proposes to remove the existing geothermal roof top units and replace with a new efficient geothermal unit that will connect into the existing system. Installation of new controls will be added along with upgrading the electrical feeders that are original to the facility.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration may need to be given to funding this project in a future funding cycle.

WEBSTER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$3,634,408	97%	\$3,634,408
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	3%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$3,734,408	100%	\$3,734,408

Previous SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 916,998.74
- NEEDs: \$20,657,401.54
- MIP: \$ 3,966,715.89
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 177,541.08
- **Total:** **\$24,718,657.25**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Hacker Valley PK-8 (2006)
Webster Co. HS Renovations (2013)
Glade ES/MS HVAC
Glade ES/MS HVAC/Lighting Repl.
Webster Co. HS HVAC/Electric Reno.

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
Available Bonding Potential \$15,829,076
Total County Budget: \$13,499,410 State Rank: 50th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): **Glade ES Roof Replacement; Webster Springs ES HVAC and Restroom Renovation**

WIRT COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Wirt County:

Wirt County requests up to \$638,000 in SBA funding for window replacement for the entire facility, new front entry doors, and restroom renovations at Wirt County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$132,000 for a total project cost of \$770,000.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Wirt County High School was originally built in 1938 and has added several additions with the most recent in 1997. Due to the age of the facility, the doors and windows are not working properly, and restrooms are not handicap accessible.
- This is the fourth time the Wirt County Board of Education has submitted a version of this project for Needs funding consideration. This project is listed as Wirt County's top prioritized project in the 2020-30 CEFP.
- Current conditions of the existing facility and the severity of need warrant funding consideration if funds are available; however, other projects may be more meritorious.

WIRT COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$638,000	83%	\$638,000
Local Funds	\$132,000	17%	\$132,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$770,000	100%	\$770,000

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 421,885.77
- NEEDs: \$ 9,678,404.30
- MIP: \$ 2,201,109.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 112,056.90
- **Total:** **\$12,422,455.97**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Wirt Co. MS/HS HVAC Rep. (2012)
Wirt Co. Primary Add./Roof Rep.
Wirt Co. Prim/MS/HS Roofs
Wirt Co. HS Reno./Roof Repair

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County:	No	
Available Bonding Potential	\$10,655,244	
Total County Budget:	\$11,869,587	State Rank: 53 rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): **None**