

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

December 13, 2021

Introduction:

The SBA staff has performed an evaluation and prepared a report herein for each county that submitted a request for Needs grant funding. All submitted grant applications from each county were reviewed by the SBA staff. On-site reviews were then performed to verify the severity of need for the proposed projects and to review all demographic data as submitted. All affected facilities were visited and the interior and exterior conditions of each facility were examined to the fullest extent possible.

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. Working in coordination with some Counties when asked, the SBA Staff has assisted in project development to ensure the specific project proposals. The staff has worked to become as familiar with the projects as possible.

Since the conclusion of the superintendents' interviews on November 1 and 2, 2021, the SBA staff has compiled all information gathered in the discussions, site visits, and correspondence. The staff has worked with many counties and their architects to verify budgetary line items in each project 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 SBA staff has used all available resources to objectively evaluate each project proposal in order to make funding recommendations that exhibit a prudent, resourceful, economic, and efficient expenditure of state funds. As outlined in the "SBA Staff Needs Scoring Analysis" document, the staff considers within each county's proposal how its current facilities do not meet and how the project proposes to meet the state's evaluation criteria for SBA-funded projects as outlined in [W.Va. Code §18-9D-16](#). 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 the Executive Director's Recommendations handout.

LINCOLN COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Lincoln County:

Lincoln County requests up to \$24,746,460 in SBA funding for construction of a new Duval Area PK-8 School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$3,000,000 for a total project cost of \$27,746,460. Upon completion of this project, the existing Midway Elementary School facility will close and all PK-8 students from Duval PK-8 and Midway Elementary School will attend the new facility.

STAFF COMMENTS

- After monitoring cracks in the building's walls and floor slabs since 2018, the Lincoln Board of Education permanently closed the Duval PK-8 facility in July 2021, citing a structural engineering firm's report stating the facility was unsafe to allow school activities to continue. Administrators have relocated the staff and students to other academic facilities within the county to continue to provide the proper education. Currently, the Lincoln County Board office, Hamlin PK-8, and existing temporary modular buildings at the Duval PK-8 school are where the student population of this facility are being housed until a New Duval Area PK-8 is constructed.
- The county proposes to include students from Midway Elementary School in the plan for the new facility. The existing Midway Elementary School was constructed in 1951 and sits on an inadequately sized and spaced site. This facility is in need of several infrastructure and envelope upgrades and has a low utilization factor. Closing this facility will provide the County with significant operational savings and will allow the staff to be more efficient with maintaining the rest of the county's facilities.
- The county proposes to merge both Duval and Midway Elementary Schools into a New PK-8 school. The new facility will be relocated on the existing Duval PK-8 site where geotechnical engineers have completed a subsurface study and recommended it as a feasible location.
- Lincoln County has completed all required school closure processes. The West Virginia Board of Education approved these closures on November 10, 2021, contingent on the receipt of SBA funding with a two-year expiration date of approval.
- Since the superintendent interview meeting, the Lincoln Co. BOE has committed an additional \$225,354 in local funding to the total cost of this project. The finance plan below reflects the new funding commitment.
- The facility closure and temporary relocation measures 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, and is an excellent use of SBA funds.

LINCOLN COUNTY (continued)

LINCOLN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$24,746,460	89%	\$24,746,460
Local Funds	\$ 3,000,000	11%	\$ 3,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$27,746,460	100%	\$27,746,460

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,925,483.27
- NEEDs: \$46,703,478.40
- MIP: \$ 2,764,247.00
- Emergency: \$ 657,674.00
- SAS: \$ 401,295.47
- **Total:** **\$52,452,178.14**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Hamlin PK-8 School Renovations
 New Harts ES/MS
 West Hamlin ES Addition
 New High School

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential \$24,709,736

Total County Budget: \$36,725,552

State Rank: 30th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

MCDOWELL COUNTY

Project as Proposed by McDowell County:

McDowell County requests up to \$15,000,000 in SBA funding for the construction of a new elementary school for the Fall River, Kimball, and Welch areas. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$3,665,600 for a total project cost of \$18,665,600. 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 that are in the 100-year flood plain. Both schools have experienced flood damage in the past. Even though these schools are close to 70 years old, the facilities have been well-maintained. Upgrades to HVAC, windows, roof, plumbing and lighting would be needed to bring these schools up to current safety codes and standards.
- Fall River Elementary is the newest of the three schools, constructed in 1978. This school has antiquated doors, windows, and roofing systems. If the county is awarded funding for this project, this facility will be converted into the county's Career and Technical Center, replacing the current outdated and oversized McDowell County Career Center.
- The county proposes to construct a new PK-5 school to include the student enrollments of Welch Elementary, Kimball Elementary, and Fall River Elementary Schools. The replacement of these schools will allow the county to address low utilization issues, provide a better educational environment, improve accessibility, and give the community a new state-of-the-art facility.
- The county has secured a 13-acre parcel of land adjacent to Mount View High School for the construction of this new school. The site is adequate in size and accessibility according to WVDE Policy 6200 standards.
- McDowell County has completed all required school closure processes. The West Virginia Board of Education approved these closures on April 14, 2021, contingent on the receipt of SBA funding with a two-year expiration date of approval.
- Since the superintendent interview meeting, the McDowell Co. BOE has committed an additional \$665,600 in local funding to the total cost of this project. The finance plan below reflects the new funding commitment.
- 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, and should be funded at the level requested.

MCDOWELL COUNTY (continued)

MCDOWELL COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$15,000,000	80%	\$15,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 3,665,600	20%	\$ 3,665,600
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.
 New Iaeger ES

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$33,543,710

Total County Budget: \$32,400,935

State Rank: 33rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

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 a 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 (267) 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 county has completed a redistricting process that increased the size of the area to be served by this new proposed school once opened.
- The citizens of Cabell County passed a \$87,500,000 capital improvement bond in August 2020. This project represents the highest priority in both the bond call and the county's 2020-2030 CEFP.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant 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.

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

CABELL COUNTY (continued)

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 5,832,871.13
- NEEDS: \$ 53,725,843.84
- MIP: \$ 4,406,610.00
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS Funds: \$ 1,390,242.36
- **TOTAL:** **\$65,355,567.33**

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 ??
New Huntington East MS
New Highlawn

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$105,297,336

Total County Budget: \$140,003,953

State Rank: 4th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

KANAWHA COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Kanawha County:

Kanawha County requests up to \$8,500,000 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 \$3,288,285 for a total project cost of \$11,788,285. 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 to provide additions and renovations to the existing Cedar Grove Elementary-Middle School facility that will transition to serving the elementary school students of Cedar Grove only. KCS plans to move the middle school students of Cedar Grove to Dupont Middle school and move the elementary students to the CGMS section of the facility. The existing elementary school portion of the facility will be demolished, and additions and renovations are proposed around the two-story section of the current middle school.
- The project proposes to construct a two-wing addition which will consist of a new administrative area and a new PE/fitness area to create a stand-alone, newly renovated Cedar Grove Elementary school. This project also includes renovations to the existing facility and an upgraded site layout with separate parent and bus drop-off areas. Renovations to include a new HVAC system, window replacement, a roof replacement, and new suspended ceilings throughout the 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.
- Kanawha County has completed all required school closure processes. The West Virginia Board of Education approved these closures on April 14, 2021, contingent on the receipt of SBA funding with a two-year expiration date of approval.
- Since the superintendent interview meeting, the Kanawha Co. BOE has committed an additional \$930,628 in local funding to the total cost of this project. The finance plan below reflects the new funding commitment.
- The citizens of Kanawha County recently passed a \$64.9 million capital improvement Excess Levy in November 2018 to provide HVAC improvements, roof replacements, and safety & security renovations at nearly every one of the county's 68 schools. This project represents the highest priority need in both the levy call and the county's 2020-2030 CEFP.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant improvement. 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 and is an excellent use of SBA funds.

KANAWHA COUNTY (continued)

KANAWHA COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 8,500,000	72%	\$ 8,500,000
Local Funds	\$ 3,288,285	28%	\$ 3,288,285
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$11,788,285	100%	\$11,788,285

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: \$494,298,192

Total County Budget: \$302,243,995

State Rank: 1st

Ongoing SBA Project(s): **New Herbert Hoover HS (FEMA); New Bridge-Clendenin ES (FEMA); Ruthlawn ES A/R; Alum Creek ES A/R**

WAYNE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Wayne County:

Wayne County requests up to \$21,000,000 in SBA funding for renovations and additions to the Buffalo Middle School facility which will transition to serve as the new Buffalo K-8 School facility. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$3,000,000 for a total project cost of \$24,000,000. 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. Water infiltrates the classroom areas and some core spaces due to the poor construction/installation of the metal panel walls. There are stormwater drainage issues on the site that have been mitigated by the county.
- The project proposes to add a 43,200 sq.ft. addition to house K-5 students to create a combined K-8 facility. The additions include classroom spaces, multi-purpose room, and office suite, and a new kitchen and cafeteria that will serve the entire student body. The project also proposes renovating the existing facility to alleviate HVAC, lighting, windows, new lockers, electrical, ADA and other building infrastructure issues.
- The county has proposed to create a Buffalo K-8 School facility at the existing Middle School Facility, which per SBA formula is \$1,284,348 less expensive than the SBA's funding allowance for a new K-8 school for this enrollment (\$25,284,348).
- This project was submitted for funding consideration in the April 2021 Needs Grant cycle. The project was not selected. Since that time, Wayne County has furthered the educational programming of this facility by introducing Aerospace curricula, a robotics competition space, and the expansion of agriculture education.
- Wayne County has completed all required school closure processes. The West Virginia Board of Education approved these closures on April 14, 2021, contingent on the receipt of SBA funding with a two-year expiration date of approval.
- 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.

WAYNE COUNTY (continued)

WAYNE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$21,000,000	88%	\$21,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 3,000,000	12%	\$ 3,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$24,000,000	100%	\$24,000,000

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 \$58,775,208

Total County Budget: \$68,477,048

State Rank: 14th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): East Lynn ES WWTP (2019 MIP)

UPSHUR COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Upshur County:

Upshur County requests up to \$21,000,000 in SBA funding for the construction of a new Comprehensive Buckhannon Upshur High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$49,000,000 in bond proceeds and local funding for a total project cost of \$70,000,000. Upon the completion of this project, the existing Buckhannon Upshur Middle School will be closed, and those students will be relocated to the existing Buckhannon Upshur High School facility.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Through the development of Upshur County's 2020-2030 CEFP, the consensus of the committees and board was to build a new high school rather than replace the aging, antiquated Buckhannon Upshur Middle School as described in the 2010-2020 CEFP. Once the new CEFP was approved, the county began working with their Architect and the SBA staff to develop a plan to deliver this need.
- The county proposes to build a new state-of-the-art, comprehensive high school facility to serve grades 9-12 throughout the entirety of Upshur County. The county has developed a preliminary educational specification that includes CTE classes that supplement those that serve Fred Eberle CTC, which is also in Buckhannon.
- Buckhannon Upshur Middle School was constructed in 1925 and served as a high school until 1977 when the current Buckhannon Upshur High School facility was built. There are numerous life, health, and safety issues within the middle school facility. As a part of this plan, the existing high facility will receive a new secure entrance and HVAC renovations.
- In the September quarterly meeting, the SBA approved the county's finance plan for a bond to be presented to the voters of Upshur County in January 2022 that included \$21,000,000 in SBA funding. This finance plan did not approve funding for the project at this time, and if the bond passes, the county agreed to submit this in this project again in the next funding cycle.
- The SBA staff feels this is an excellent project and fully supports the county's desire to pass a bond to address these facility issues. However, the SBA staff cannot recommend funding this project until local financing is secured from the bond's passage. If the county is successful in passing the bond, the project should rate high in the SBA staff's recommendations in the next funding cycle.

UPSHUR COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$21,000,000	30%	\$21,000,000
Local Bond Funds	\$49,000,000	70%	\$49,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$70,000,000	100%	\$70,000,000

UPSHUR COUNTY (continued)

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 \$57,380,877

Total County Budget: \$39,370,107

State Rank: 28th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

FAYETTE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Fayette County:

Fayette County requests up to \$9,432,276 in SBA funding for new Midland Trail Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$6,000,000 for a total project cost of \$15,432,276. Upon completion of this project, the existing Ansted Elementary and Divide Elementary Schools will close, and students will attend the newly constructed facility.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Ansted Elementary was constructed in 1954 and has 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. This facility is one of the last remaining schools in the state that uses a coal-fired furnace, which produces coal dust that spreads throughout the entire facility. During the heating season, cooks must clean the food service equipment prior to using and must cover all equipment with plastic when not in use.
- Divide Elementary was constructed in 1953 and received two consecutive SBA Major Improvement Project (MIP) grants in 2012 and 2013. Within the latest addition, a new HVAC system was installed in the entire facility. Even with the recent upgrades, the age, location, and size of this facility still presents many concerns to the county.
- The county proposes to merge both Ansted and Divide Elementary Schools into a New PK-5, along with some students from Gauley Bridge Elementary, which was recently approved for closure. The new facility will be located on the campus of Midland Trail Middle/High School, and will include an enhanced curriculum including STEM and agriscience outdoor spaces.
- While this project addresses several of the nine criteria used in the staff's evaluation, the SBA staff has concerns with the last project that the Authority approved in Fayette County - the new Meadow Bridge PK-12 School, which was funded in December 2019. Bids were received for the MBPK-12 project that exceeded the original amount of funding available, and the project was separated into phases, which increased the original timeframe for this grant from 3 years to 4+ years. Since that time, the county has fully committed to funding this project in its entirety and completing it as expeditiously as possible; however, the SBA staff feels progress should be made prior to the award of any additional funding for new projects. Therefore consideration should be given to the Midland Trail Elementary School project in a future funding cycle.

FAYETTE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 9,432,276	61%	\$ 9,432,276
Local Funds	\$ 6,000,000	39%	\$ 6,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$15,432,276	100%	\$15,432,276

FAYETTE COUNTY (continued)

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 3,804,995.82
- NEEDs: \$66,950,658.79
- MIP: \$ 8,397,697.56
- Emergency: \$0
- SAS \$ 750,371.99
- **Total:** **\$79,903,724.16**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

New Oak Hill ES
Valley HS A/R
Valley ES Classroom Addition
Midland Trail HS Addition
New Oakhill PK-2/Oakhill MS
Fayetteville PK-8 Renovations
Oak Hill HS A/R
New Meadow Bridge PK-12

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$73,303,744

Total County Budget: \$70,131,282

State Rank: 13th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Meadow Bridge PK-12

RITCHIE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Ritchie County:

Ritchie County requests up to \$10,521,504 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 \$5,891,504 and bond funding in the amount of \$4,630,000 for a total project cost of \$21,043,008.

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 facilities 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 voters of Ritchie County passed a \$5.63 million bond in November 2020 that included \$4.63 million in total funding for the construction of these two replacement schools. The county had failed a \$9.9 million bond in 2017 and a \$7.9 million bond in 2018 that included the consolidation of these two schools.
- The design enrollments for the new schools as projected (194, 195) do not meet the SBA's economies of scale (EOS) guidelines for a school of this grade configuration (280). The county has requested an EOS 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 10-year projected enrollment for either of these facilities, as calculated by the WVDE, could potentially trend toward a level in which some counties consider permanent closure. Similarly, the SBA funded an approximately 1,500-student Ritchie County Middle-High School serving grades 6-12 that added an additional grade level and now houses 810 students in grades 5-12 (52% utilization).
- While the county has worked with their architect to lower the budgetary estimates for each of the two schools, the SBA staff's experience is that the smaller the school, the higher the resulting square foot per student cost and the more likely the project is to come in over the projected budget. When smaller schools like these as proposed are built, high inefficiencies are the result as the same number of minimally-sized core spaces are required, but to serve only a small number of students.
- The county proposes to construct a new Harrisville Elementary and a new Creed Collins Elementary School on the sites of the two existing facilities that sit less than ten miles apart. The county states that existing bus routes are longer than the allowable requirements for new bus routes, which has been verified by the WVDE Office of Transportation; however, this calculation did not include the possibility of additional routes dedicated to serve the students furthest from the schools - a common practice in counties where schools are combined.

- Because of the small size of these facilities, the projected declining enrollment of these schools, and the close proximity to each other, the SBA staff feels a combined school is a more attractive option for an SBA grant award. Based on the requirements for the SBA staff to make prudent and resourceful funding recommendations, the SBA staff cannot recommend this project. Therefore, the staff feels that other projects in this funding cycle are more meritorious.

RITCHIE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$10,521,504	50%	\$ 10,521,504
Local Funds	\$ 5,891,504	28%	\$ 5,891,504
Bond Funds	\$ 4,630,000	22%	\$ 4,630,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$21,043,008	100%	\$ 21,043,008

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:

New Ritchie Co. MS/HS
 Smithville ES A/R
 Ritchie Co. MS/HS Access Control
 & Energy Management

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**
 Available Bonding Potential \$56,081,003
 Total County Budget: \$19,406,874

State Rank: 42nd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Randolph County:

Randolph County requests up to \$5,091,550 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 \$5,191,550.

STAFF COMMENTS

- This project proposes to add a 14,700 square foot addition to provide new classroom/laboratory space for Welding, HVAC, and Plumbing career technical training trades. These programs are being developed to respond to the demanded need in the community/county.
- As a part of the project, a new sprinkler system for the entire facility is proposed to meet Fire Marshal requirements. A new safe school entrance is also proposed as a part of this project.
- This project was submitted for funding consideration in the April 2021 Needs Grant cycle, and was not selected. Since that time, Randolph County was able to reduce the scope by eliminating a classroom addition of 1,154 square feet and \$229,609 in budgetary costs. The proposed program was blended into the existing space to provide a more efficient design solution.
- 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	\$5,091,550	98%	\$5,091,550
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	2%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,191,550	100%	\$5,191,550

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,942,864.46
- NEEDs: \$32,930,045.94
- MIP: \$ 4,072,335.09
- Emergency: \$ 25,071.00
- SAS: \$ 492,359.43
- **Total: \$39,462,675.92**

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 \$71,008,661

Total County Budget: \$37,863,355

State Rank: 29th

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

MONONGALIA COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Monongalia County:

Monongalia County requests up to \$1,665,150 in SBA funding for a STEM classroom/lab addition and a 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 \$295,346,022

Total County Budget: \$141,465,797

State Rank: 3rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

GRANT COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Grant County:

Grant County requests up to \$3,225,528 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 \$1,000,000 for a total project cost of \$4,225,528.

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 as proposed will convert the plenum (non-ducted ceiling cavity) return with a ducted return air system. The existing 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 financial 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 CEFP 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	\$3,225,528	76%	\$3,225,528
Local Funds	\$1,000,000	24%	\$1,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$4,225,528	100%	\$4,225,528

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:

Petersburg ES A/R
Petersburg ES Roof/Fire Alarm Rep.
Union Ed. Complex Roof Rep.
Union Gym Floor/Fire Alarm Rep.
Maysville ES HVAC/Roof
Maysville ES Renovations
Petersburg HS Renovations
Union Ed. Complex Roof and WWTP

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$53,577,661

Total County Budget: \$15,891,908

State Rank: 46th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

MONROE COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Monroe County:

Monroe County requests up to \$1,090,203 in SBA funding for additions and renovations to Mountain View PK-8 School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$700,000 for a total project cost of \$1,790,203.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Mountain View PK-8 was constructed with SBA funding in 1998, and within two years after opening, the county built a four-classroom addition to eliminate the over-utilization at that time. This facility was designed with one only cafeteria and one middle school sized gymnasium. Due to the lack of cafeteria space, the school must have a staggered lunch schedule to accommodate the 500-student enrollment. This eliminates any possible use of the cafeteria for elementary school physical education. Also, the facility's main office area was constructed away from the main entrance which creates potential safety concerns while monitoring school access.
- The project proposes to construct a 3,000 square foot addition that will add a new safe school entry and expand the existing cafeteria. With this renovation, the project will create adequate space to improve the lunch schedule and potentially give the school the ability to provide a physical education curriculum area for the elementary students. Safety concerns will be mitigated by moving the office to the front of the building to enhance school access safety.
- Since the superintendent interview meeting, the Monroe Co. BOE has committed an additional \$300,000 in local funding to the total cost of this project. The finance plan below reflects the new funding commitment.
- Due to the severity of need at this facility, the project warrants funding consideration; however, other projects are more meritorious. The staff feels that this project could be a competitive project in the 2022 Major Improvement Project (MIP) funding cycle if prioritized by the county.

MONROE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$1,090,203	61%	\$1,090,203
Local Funds	\$ 700,000	39%	\$ 700,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,790,203	100%	\$1,790,203

MONROE COUNTY (continued)

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
New Peterstown PK-8

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$26,528,508

Total County Budget: \$18,576,052

State Rank: 43rd

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

BERKELEY COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Berkeley County:

Berkeley County requests up to \$2,976,000 in SBA funding for HVAC renovations and a partial roof replacement at Hedgesville High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$2,976,000 for a total project cost of \$5,952,000.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The county proposes to replace six (6) multizone Mammoth rooftop units at HHS. These existing units provide HVAC for 92,000 square feet of high school classrooms, Pre-K classrooms, as well as kitchen and cafeteria space, which is approximately 47% of the overall facility. In coordination with the HVAC renovations, the roof over this portion of the school will be replaced.
- The county has not identified an exact design solution, and they are currently working with their engineers and the WVDE staff to investigate two separate options and their conformance to applicable policies and codes. The existing budget is conceptual at this time and is based on replacement with similar equipment at today's codes & standards.
- Consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle when an exact design solution is identified and the corresponding project budget is more clearly developed.

BERKELEY COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,976,000	50%	\$2,976,000
Local Funds	\$2,976,000	50%	\$2,976,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,952,000	100%	\$5,952,000

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: \$308,462,637

Total County Budget: \$216,005,138

State Rank: 2nd

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

PLEASANTS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Pleasants County:

Pleasants County requests up to \$1,914,525 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 \$337,858 for a total project cost of \$2,252,383.

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	\$1,914,525	85%	\$1,914,525
Local Funds	\$ 337,858	15%	\$ 337,858
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$2,252,383	100%	\$2,252,383

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 \$21,741,254

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

CALHOUN COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Calhoun County:

Calhoun County requests up to \$5,196,360 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 \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$5,296,360.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The 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. The existing roof, which is original to the facility, is in poor condition and the proposed replacement would occur in coordination with the HVAC renovations.
- After a discussion on design fees during the superintendent interview, the county and SBA staff reviewed and revised the scope of the project with the Architect / Engineer. The proposed design fees are below the SBA's maximum allowable fee schedule for both the combined total solution and the phased solution.
- Should the Authority desire to fund only a portion of this project, the county has prioritized the roof and HVAC replacement over the classroom wing and main entrance entrance at a cost of \$3,885,860.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to awarding this project in a future funding cycle.

CALHOUN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$5,196,360	99%	\$5,196,360
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	1%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,296,360	100%	\$5,296,360

CALHOUN COUNTY (continued)

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 689,016.14
- NEEDs: \$19,945,010.46
- MIP: \$ 1,859,807.23
- Emergency: \$ 4,137,267.65
- SAS: \$ 127,612.86
- **Total: \$26,758,714.24**

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: \$15,807,518

Total County Budget: \$18,032,518

State Rank: 55th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Pleasant Hill HVAC Renovations

WEBSTER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Webster County:

Webster County requests up to \$5,018,458 in SBA funding for HVAC renovations to Webster County Middle/High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$5,118,458.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Webster County Middle/High School was built in 1976 as a high school facility. In 2014, the county moved 7-8th grade students in to offer expanded curriculum opportunities and to enhance building utilization. Since that time, the county has prioritized adapting the spaces within the building to accommodate these academic changes.
- The school's office area is located in the center of the facility and has no direct connection to the school's main entrance. At the student's drop-off area, deterioration of the sidewalks poses safety concerns and the failing metal panel façade allows for moisture and outdoor elements to enter the building.
- The project proposes to construct a new main office, a safe school entrance, and an auxiliary gymnasium. This project also includes general renovations to the exterior envelope of the facility. These additions and renovations will improve the curriculum environment, provide a more modern office area, eliminate safety concerns, and create better access 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 awarding this project in a future funding cycle.

WEBSTER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$5,018,458	98%	\$5,018,458
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	2%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,118,458	100%	\$5,118,458

WEBSTER COUNTY (continued)

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 \$13,677,771

Total County Budget: \$13,499,410

State Rank: 50th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Webster Springs ES HVAC and Restroom Renovation

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 \$363,012 in local funds for a total project cost of \$1,183,212.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Roof replacements are proposed over the main building and the “arrowhead” wing. Both areas have exceeded their warranties and are well beyond their life expectancy. The roof has progressively deteriorated since this project was first proposed in the 2017 SBA needs funding cycle. The proposed new roof at Grafton High School is the county’s number one priority as identified in their 2020-2030 CEFP, and this is their fourth attempt for funding consideration.
- The existing roofing will be replaced with a new fully adhered EPDM roof with tapered insulation. This will eliminate the last section of ballasted roofing on this facility. The increased insulation around the roof would be tapered to slope the water to the drains.
- This project places particular interest to only one of the criteria used to evaluate the merits of all projects. As a result, overall staff ratings are low when compared to other projects addressing more of the evaluation criteria. However, because the condition of this roof is the worst in this Needs cycle, the severity of need to complete this project warrants funding consideration if available.

TAYLOR COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 820,200	69%	\$ 820,200
Local Funds	\$ 363,012	31%	\$ 363,012
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,183,212	100%	\$1,183,212

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.

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential \$48,361,775

Total County Budget: \$26,144,095

State Rank: 35th

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

MORGAN COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Morgan County:

Morgan County requests up to \$2,455,014 in SBA funding for HVAC replacement at Widmyer Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$272,779 for a total project cost of \$2,727,793.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Widmyer Elementary School was constructed in 1975 and has five (5) roof top units with a large amount of insulated ductwork extending across the roof to condition six to nine rooms each. The system has reached the end of its life expectancy. Replacement parts are becoming obsolete and insulated weather proofing around the ductwork is separating and peeling. Three years ago, the county added Variable Air Volume (VAV) boxes in the classroom ceiling with temperature controls to make air dispersion more efficient.
- This project includes replacement of the rooftop units, with an indoor air cleaning system. This project proposes to reuse the existing ductwork and new VAV boxes in the ceilings. New direct digital controls (DDC) and CO2 controls will be included. New high-efficiency weatherproof insulation is proposed to cover the rooftop equipment and ducts.
- Due to the severity of need at this facility, the project warrants funding consideration; however, other projects are more meritorious.

MONROE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,455,014	90%	\$2,455,014
Local Funds	\$ 272,779	10%	\$ 272,779
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$2,727,793	100%	\$2,727,793

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 844,537.95
- NEEDs: \$21,791,267.91
- MIP: \$ 8,833,312.65
- Emergency: \$0
- SAS: \$ 299,904.07
- Total: \$24,769,022.58**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Widmyer ES Roof Replacement
Berkeley Springs HS Renovations
Berkeley Springs HS Renovations

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$56,155,491

Total County Budget: \$25,854,332

State Rank: 37th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

GILMER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Gilmer County:

Gilmer County requests up to \$674,251 in SBA funding for renovations at Gilmer County Middle/High School. These renovations include a new safe school entrance, replacement of all exterior doors, partial roof 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 \$641,874 for a total project cost of \$1,316,125.

STAFF COMMENTS

- The proposed project includes a new safe school entrance which will create a separate, controlled visitor entrance away from the main student entrance. After a full-school vulnerability assessment, the replacement of additional exterior doors was included in the revised scope. In addition, all exterior doors will be replaced as a part of the project.
- The meat processing conversion scope of work within the project is included as a programmatic addition in response to serve a need within the community and region. This will alleviate the need for GCMHS students to travel hours to use a facility that has these capabilities.
- 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	\$ 674,251	51%	\$ 674,251
Local Funds	\$ 641,874	49%	\$ 641,874
PROJECT TOTAL	\$1,316,125	100%	\$1,316,125

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 \$15,198,389

Total County Budget: \$10,935,870

State Rank: 54th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

POCAHONTAS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Pocahontas County:

Pocahontas County requests up to \$7,600,000 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 \$905,996 of loan proceeds for a total project cost of \$8,505,996.

STAFF COMMENTS

- As a part of the energy savings scope of work, 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 expensive components such as boilers and associated boiler piping. If the SBA were to fund these low ROI items as proposed in the grant application, the county could more quickly realize savings and the term of the energy savings loan may be shortened.
- As a part of the ESCO project and including the SBA's requested cash investment, the scope of the work and total project cost at each school includes:
 - Marlinton ES \$2,443,362 – Full HVAC and partial roof replacement
 - Pocahontas Co. HS: \$4,112,993 – HVAC, window replacement, electrical upgrades
 - Marlinton MS: \$ 632,790 – Window/door replacement
 - Hillsboro ES \$1,316,850 – HVAC in gym and classrooms
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding other projects may be more meritorious.

POCAHONTAS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$7,600,000	89%	\$7,600,000
Local Funds	\$ 905,996	11%	\$ 905,996
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$8,505,996	100%	\$8,505,996

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 \$34,943,028

Total County Budget: \$14,497,949

State Rank: 49th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

PRESTON COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Preston County:

Preston County requests up to \$143,658 in SBA funding for a safe school entrance at Preston County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$143,658 of loan proceeds for a total project cost of \$287,316.

STAFF COMMENTS

- As a part of the safe school entrance, the scope of the project includes renovating the administrative office with a new layout for the reception counter, a transaction window, renovation of the sprinkler head location, door controls, and security film at exterior glazing.
- The proposed renovations would provide new secure entrances that would direct visitors to the main office to control access to the building.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding other projects may be more meritorious.

PRESTON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$143,658	50%	\$143,658
Local Funds	\$143,658	50%	\$143,658
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$287,316	100%	\$287,316

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 2,322,493.80
- NEEDS: \$33,971,679.85
- MIP: \$ 1,993,314.88
- Emergency: \$ 1,793,513.14
- SAS: \$ 512,459.88
- **Total: \$40,593,461.55**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Preston Ed. Center Roof
Preston HS A/R
Valley ES Addition
Rowlesburg ES/MS Roof
New South Area School
West Preston MS Addition
Preston HS Roof
New Central Preston MS
Bruceton PK-8 School A/R

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$58,599,811

Total County Budget: \$44,721,629

State Rank: 21st

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Preston County HS HVAC Upgrades

MARION COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Marion County:

Marion County requests up to \$733,393 in SBA funding for Phase II additions and renovations to East Dale Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$245,131 for a total project cost of \$980,524.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Pre-K and Kindergarten classroom additions at this school were funded by the SBA in the December 2019 Needs Grant cycle. This project proposes to complete an additional scope of work that was designed as Phase II and was included as an alternate bid in the Phase I portion of the project. The scope included renovating an existing computer lab and an addition to the front of the building to achieve a secure administration office suite/entrance.
- Bids for came in over budget and the county was only able to award Phase I. The Phase II portion of work which makes up the entirety of this project is designed and ready for bid. Should funding be awarded, the county can immediately release this project to prospective bidders.
- While the design of this portion of the project is complete, the SBA staff feels that because insufficient construction progress has been made on Phase I at this time, conformance to existing project requirements should be prioritized over new funding for additional construction. The staff feels that this project could be a competitive project in the 2022 Major Improvement Project (MIP) funding cycle if prioritized by the county.

MARION COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$735,393	75%	\$735,393
Local Funds	\$245,131	25%	\$245,131
PROJECT TOTAL	\$980,524	100%	\$980,524

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 West Middle School
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 \$138,491,550

Total County Budget: \$90,191,207

State Rank: 11th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): East Dale ES Phase I Addition/Renovations

LEWIS COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Lewis County:

Lewis County requests up to \$256,320 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 \$256,320 for a total project cost of \$512,640.

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	\$256,320	50%	\$236,320
Local Funds	\$256,320	50%	\$236,320
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$512,640	100%	\$512,640

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 \$47,808,445

Total County Budget: \$23,412,200

State Rank: 38th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

TUCKER COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Tucker County:

Tucker County requests up to \$907,261 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 \$957,261.

STAFF COMMENTS

- 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.
- After a discussion on the long-term feasibility and need for every room to have an exterior door system during the superintendent interview, the county and SBA staff reviewed the scope of the project with the Architect / Engineer and the State Fire Marshal's office. Because DTES does not have a fire suppression (sprinkler) system, replacing the door systems with a window system does not meet the state fire code. At TCHS, only a few classrooms are covered by the sprinkler system, which limits the availability of areas for upgrades.
- The SBA staff feels that prior to recommending funding for this project, the county and their design team should do a long-term feasibility study on adding a fire suppression (sprinkler) system at each school in conjunction with the window upgrades. This project could be considered in the 2022 SBA Major Improvement Project (MIP) cycle if prioritized by the county.

	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$907,261	95%	\$907,261
Local Funds	\$ 50,000	5%	\$ 50,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$957,261	100%	\$975,261

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 \$31,883,557

Total County Budget: \$12,210,557 State Rank: 52nd

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

MINGO COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Mingo County:

Mingo County requests up to \$923,257 in SBA funding for a roof replacement at Lenore PK-8 School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$200,000 for a total project cost of \$1,123,257.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Lenore PK-8 was constructed in 2002 with SBA funding. The roof is original to the building and has surpassed its warranty period. There are several areas in the hallways and core space that have signs of leaking. The county patches roof and replaces ceiling tiles over the years to minimize long term damages to the facility. The roofing systems in this facility are nearing the end of their life expectancy; however, through careful preventative maintenance processes, the county can extend the life of this roof for several years.
- Mingo County Schools 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.
- 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 at the expense of other projects.

MINGO COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$ 923,257	82%	\$ 923,257
Local Funds	\$ 200,000	18%	\$ 200,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$1,123,257	100%	\$1,123,257

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 3,284,731.24
- NEEDs: \$58,077,659.17
- MIP: \$ 2,123,500.00
- Emergency: \$ 64,031.00
- SAS: \$ 515,858.49
- **Total: \$64,065,779.91**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Gilbert MS/HS A/R
New Kermit K-8
New Lenore PK-8
Riverside ES A/R
Burch MS Addition/Renovation
New Mingo Central HS
Gilbert PK-8 Phase II Renovation

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$38,964,525

Total County Budget: \$43,363,218

State Rank: 23rd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None

BRAXTON COUNTY

Project as Proposed by Braxton County:

Braxton County requests up to \$2,026,971 in SBA funding for a roof replacement at Braxton County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$506,743 for a total project cost of \$2,533,714.

STAFF COMMENTS

- Using SBA funding in 2000, the entire BCHS facility's roof was replaced with a new EPDM (rubber) system. This section of roof has passed its warranty and is showing early signs of wearing. Several areas inside the school are leaking and damaging ceiling tiles.
- The project proposes to replace the entire roof at this facility using a sloped EPDM system that meets today's codes & standards. This new roof will prolong the use of this facility to serve the community in Braxton County.
- Due to the severity of need at this facility, the project warrants funding consideration, however, other projects in this cycle are more meritorious.

BRAXTON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	<i>Staff Comments</i>
SBA Funds	\$2,026,971	80%	\$2,026,971
Local Funds	\$ 506,743	20%	\$ 506,743
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$2,533,714	100%	\$2,533,714

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,101,100.57
- NEEDs: \$18,466,418.46
- MIP: \$ 542,085.44
- Emergency: \$ 0
- SAS: \$ 257,136.39
- **Total: \$20,366,740.86**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Davis ES A/R
Flatwoods ES A/R
Sutton ES A/R
Braxton Co. HS A/R
Braxton Co. HS Restrooms

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2020:

Financially Distressed County: **No**

Available Bonding Potential: \$27,986,536

Total County Budget: \$18,515,970

State Rank: 44th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): None