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

December 17, 2024

#### **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.

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 <u>W.Va. Code §18-9D-16</u>.

Since the conclusion of the superintendents' interviews on November 18 and 19, 2024, 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 has 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.

#### KANAWHA COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Kanawha County requests up to \$20,323,602 in SBA funding for a new Upper Kanawha Valley Consolidated Dupont Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a contribution of \$10,000,000 for a total project cost of \$30,323,602. Upon completion of this project, the existing Mary Ingles Elementary, Malden Elementary, Belle Elementary and Midland Trail Elementary will close.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Mary Ingles Elementary, Malden Elementary, Belle Elementary, and Midland Trail Elementary are four aging schools within the Upper Kanawha Valley that present numerous challenges to Kanawha County staff. The schools struggle to deliver a modern, technology-based curriculum due to outdated infrastructure and limited access to resources. There are numerous high-cost maintenance issues that compromise student health and safety, including poor indoor air quality and limited accessibility for students with disabilities. The aging buildings present high operational costs and inefficient use of resources.
- Kanawha County proposes to construct a new Upper Kanawha Valley (DuPont) Elementary to consolidate the student populations at the aging and inadequate Mary Ingles Elementary, Malden Elementary, Belle Elementary, and Midland Trail Elementary into a safe and modern PK-5 facility, centrally located on the former DuPont Middle School site. The new school would replace four underutilized facilities that currently present multiple concerns. The new, modern facility would offer a technology-driven learning environment to support the educational needs of students.
- 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. The SBA staff recommends that funding be awarded from multiple cycles using the proposed breakdown as shown below.

KANAWHA COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments	Future Funding
SBA Funds	\$20,323,602	67%	\$ 6,774,534	\$6,774,534 FY26 \$6,774,534 FY27
Local Funds	\$10,000,000	33%	\$10,000.000	
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$30,323,602	100%	\$30,323,602	

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# Net: \$ 13,542,418.42 NEEDs: \$ 68,682,471.20 MIP: \$ 5,999,739.00 Emergency: \$ 1,621,292.64 SAS: \$ 3,165,734.37 Total: \$ 93,011,655.73

## **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Andrews Heights A/R
New Mary C. Snow ES
New Edgewood ES
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/Roof

# Cedar Grove ES Renovations

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$516,465,637

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$45,436,266 State Rank: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Cedar Grove A/R (2022 NEEDS); Herbert Hoover HS and Clendenin ES

(FEMA)

#### **PUTNAM COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Putnam County requests up to \$25,000,000 in SBA funding for a new Hurricane Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local bond contribution of \$39,628,344 for a total project cost of \$64,628,344.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The current site/facility poses a safety risk to students as it is fronted by WV Route 34. Each day the principal and SRO direct traffic, helping students cross the road when they are dropped off/picked up by parents. There is no escape route from the property in the back of the school as it is completely fenced in. There are multiple entrances/exits when going from one end of the facility to the other causing the students to exit the building twice. Staff parking is also inadequate.
- The building was constructed in 1950 and is insufficient for educational programming as classrooms are inadequate for up-to-date STEM curriculum. The current facility is not ADA compliant as it is two-stories but has no elevator. The eighth-grade students have classes on both floors.
- Putnam County has proposed a \$50 million county-wide capital improvement bond which will provide funding to construct a state-of-the-art middle school. This new facility will offer a diverse and innovative curriculum, advanced technology systems, flexible learning spaces, and improved safety measures.
- 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. The SBA staff recommends that funding be awarded from multiple cycles using the proposed breakdown as shown below.

PUTNAM COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments	Future Funding
SBA Funds	\$25,000,000	39%	\$ 8,333.334	\$8,333,333 FY26 \$8,333,333 FY27
Local Funds (BOND)	\$39,628,344	71%	\$39,628,344	
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$64,628,344	100%	\$64,628,344	

#### **History of SBA Funding:**

# Net: \$ 3,161,384/25 NEEDs: \$51,843,263.63 MIP: \$ 6,353,861.32 Emergency: \$ 0 SAS: \$ 1,037,986.44 Total: \$62,396,495.64

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Lakeside ES Addition/Roof

Scott Teays ES A/R
West Teays ES Addition
New Mountain View ES
Winfield ES A/R
Hurricane MS A/R
New Winfield MS
Hurricane HS HVAC/Add. Reno.
Poca HS HVAC Renovation
Winfield HS Media/Class Addition

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$186,893,357

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$35,103,012 State Rank: 4<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Eastbrook ES WWTP Replacement (MIP 2025)

#### MONONGALIA COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Monongalia County requests up to \$16,982,966 in SBA funding for a new Suncrest Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$16,982,966 for a total project cost of \$33,965,932.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The original three-story building was built in 1939. The 1994 major renovation doubled the school's square footage. An annex wood framed building which houses the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade was built in 2016. Over the last few years, there has been a significant number of stress cracks formed throughout the building. A visual condition assessment began in 2023 by Arrow Engineering. The most recent report from October, shows significant movement in the past three months which has resulted in a recommendation from Arrow Engineering to remove students from this area of the main building and provide temporary shoring and diagonal bracing to prevent any additional movement.
- Monongalia County proposes a new Suncrest Middle School that was listed as the county's #2 priority in their CEFP. A new building will be designed to not only address structural concerns, but also to offer modernized facilities that will significantly enhance the learning environment for the students and staff. A new facility will enable the expansion of the curriculum with new STEM spaces, fine arts (art/band) classrooms, academic classrooms to meet evolving educational needs of the students.
- 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. The SBA staff recommends that funding be awarded from multiple cycles using the proposed breakdown as shown below.

MONONGALIA COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments	Future Funding
SBA Funds	\$16,982,966	50%	\$11,400,437	\$5,583,529 FY26
Local Funds	\$16,982,966	50%	\$16,982,966	
PROJECT TOTAL	\$33,965,932	100%	\$33,965,932	

#### **History of SBA Funding:**

# Net: \$ 3,945,252.85 NEEDs: \$61,684,854.50 MIP: \$ 4,576,768.00 Emergency: \$ 0 SAS: \$ 1,151,742.01 Total: \$71,358,617.36

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

New Eastwood ES
New Westwood ES
Suncrest MS Renovations
Morgantown HS A/R
New University HS
University MS HVAC Rep.
New Suncrest ES
Brookhaven ES A./R

South MS A/R Monongalia CTC STEM Addition Mountainview ES Safe Entrance

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$324,698,563

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$34,855,443 State Rank: 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Monongalia County Technical Education Center STEM Addition, Mountainview ES Safe School Entrance (NEEDS 2024); Morgantown HS Outdoor Learning Space/Kitchen Reno. (MIP 2025); North ES Stair Connector (2021 MIP)

#### BERKELEY COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Berkeley County requests up to \$4,000,000 in SBA funding for a new Inwood Learning Center. These funds will be used in partnership with a local bond contribution of \$14,910,000 for a total project cost of \$18,910,000.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Berkeley County is experiencing significant population growth and schools are quickly becoming overcrowded. Considering these needs, in August 2022, the county presented an aggressive bond call for \$124,920,000 which the citizens approved. With the approval of the bond, the county will be able to complete acquisition, construction, and improvements for numerous projects. This bond included an eight classroom Pre-Kindergarten Center for the Inwood area.
- Berkeley County has deemed the student population has already grown to such an extent that they need a 12 classroom Inwood Pre-K Center and are asking the SBA for the additional funds for the 4 classroom and ancillary spaces. This project includes the construction of a new building on the playground site and the demolition of the existing Inwood Elementary School.
- 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.

BERKELEY COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$ 4,000,000	21%	\$ 4,000,000
Local Funds (BOND)	\$14,910,000	79%	\$14,910,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$18,910,000	100%	\$18,910,000

New Spring Mills ES New Spring Mills HS Martinsburg North MS A/R County-Wide Energy Upgrades

## **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 4,091,052.96 New Musselman HS NEEDs: \$118,629,728.55 New North Central Intermediate MIP: \$ 7,930,213.51 New West Central Intermediate Emergency: \$ New Spring Mills MS 0 \$ 1,892,574.81 Hedgesville HS A/R SAS: Martinsburg South MS A/R Total: \$132,543,569.83 New Gerrardstown Intermediate

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$271,529,573

State Rank: 7th Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$34,608,951

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Mountain Ridge Primary, New Falling Water K-5 (Needs 2024); **Replacement Windows Various Schools (MIP 2024)** 

#### HARRISON COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

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

#### STAFF COMMENTS

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

HARRISON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$5,313,402	73%	\$5,313,402
Local Funds	\$2,000,000	27%	\$2,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$7,313,402	100%	\$7,313,402

### **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** New Big Elm & Nutter Fort ES Net: \$ 4,842,370.94 NEEDs: \$59,451,478.73 2 HS Additions/Renovations \$ 5,901,798.67 MIP: South Harrison MS A/R Emergency: \$ New Salem/Gore MS \$ 1,254,673.11 New Lumberport ES SAS: Total: New Lumberport MS \$71,450,321.45 New Johnson ES United HS Reno, to Gore ES

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

**Available Bonding Potential** \$240,500,135

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$16,107,969 State Rank: 15th

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

#### MONROE COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Monroe County requests up to \$4,523,124 in SBA funding for an addition/renovation at James Monroe High School Technical Center. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$800,000 for a total project cost of \$5,323,124.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing technical school at James Monroe High School is lacking in space for instruction, as three programs are currently being housed at the high school, separate from the facility. The aging electrical system cannot handle the demand of equipment in the shop areas, as breakers are often tripped when the machinery is utilized. The technical school building also lacks a safe school entrance, with visitors currently entering the main hallway of the building upon arrival.
- Monroe County proposes the addition of a safe school entry, three new classrooms, and renovations to existing areas of the technical school. These renovations would provide appropriate learning spaces for all CTE programs. The project would also include the addition of a second set of student restrooms, as the building currently houses only one set of restrooms.
- 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.

MONROE COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$4,523,124	85%	\$4,523,124
Local Funds	\$ 800,000	15%	\$ 800,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,323,124	100%	\$5,323,124

# **History of SBA Funding:**

Total:

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

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•	Net:	\$ 810,948.95	New Mountainview K-8
•	NEEDs:	\$39,351,115.55	Peterstown ES A/R; HVAC
•	MIP:	\$ 1,783,711.41	Mountainview K-8 Addition
•	Emergency:	\$ 0	Monroe Vo. Tech Renovations
•	SAS:	\$ 221,117.92	New Peterstown PK-8

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

\$42,166,993.83

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$29,959,902

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$6,303,981 State Rank: 34<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): James Monroe HS Roof (MIP 2024); Mountain View PK-8 Cafeteria Expansion (MIP 2023)

#### GREENBRIER COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Greenbrier County requests up to \$14,000,000 in SBA funding for an addition and renovations to White Sulphur Springs Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$405,454 for a total project cost of \$14,405,454.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- White Sulphur Springs Elementary was constructed in 1967. The outdated facility presents critical safety, security and educational issues. Bus and parent drop-off/loading is not well defined and creates traffic issues along with safety concerns. The administration area is located away from the main entry, which allows access to the facility prior to checking into the main office. In addition, the Physical Education space is shared with the cafeteria and is partitioned by a curtain.
- The proposed project will address these concerns with renovations and an addition to the current facility. Renovations will include transforming the existing main entrance into a secure and well-defined space by constructing a new safe school entrance with a separate visitor entry. Updates to the existing HVAC system, doors, and windows will allow the county to operate more efficiently with significant cost savings. Roof and restroom upgrades address facility components that are nearing the end of their life expectancy. Bus and parent drop-off/loading zones will be reconfigured for better traffic control and provide safety for the students and staff. In addition, a new gymnasium will be constructed for improvement to the curriculum delivery and allow for an appropriate space for physical education learning.
- 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.

GREENBRIER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$14,000,000	97%	\$14,000,000
Local Funds	\$ 405,454	3%	\$ 405,454
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$14,405,454	100%	\$14.405,454

# **History of SBA Funding:**

Total:

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Net: \$ 2,396,703.59
NEEDs: \$42,871,304.45
MIP: \$ 3,133,350.45
Emergency: \$ 0
SAS: \$ 579,468.99

WGMS/Rupert ES Addition County-wide Building Program

Alderson ES Relocation to Comm. Center

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$106,737,964

\$48,980,827.48

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$2,655,476 State Rank: 47<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Greenbrier East HS Roof (MIP 2025); Frankford ES A/R (NEEDS 2024; Alderson ES Renovations (2021 NEEDS)

#### LOGAN COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Logan County requests up to \$3,596,734 in SBA funding for electrical and fire alarm replacements at Man High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,042,975 for a total project cost of \$4,639,709.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The electrical main distribution panel (MDP) at Man High School is well beyond its operational life expectancy. It fails to meet present-day electrical code requirements, and there are absolutely no replacement parts available for repairs should it malfunction. Replacement of the MDP could take an alarming eight months given current lead times, and likely the temporary closure of the school. The secondary sub-panels have become obsolete, with compatible breakers no longer in production. The building's electrical wiring lacks a grounded system and presents a critical safety issue.
- The fire alarm system in place is equally deficient, incapable of supporting an expansion due to incompatibilities with newer devices. Compliance with current codes mandates the adoption of additional devices that meet today's standards.
- Logan County proposes a comprehensive upgrade of critical systems within Man High School, including a significant update to the building's electrical infrastructure specifically, the main distribution panel, secondary sub-panels, fire alarm system, and the complete rewiring of the facility.
- The age and overall condition of this facility warrant improvement. This project places particular interest on only one of the criteria used to evaluate the merits of all projects. However, due to the critical nature of this situation, the SBA staff recommends funding at the level requested.

LOGAN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$3,596,734	78%	\$3,596,734
Local Funds	\$1,042,975	22%	\$1,042,975
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$4,639,709	100%	\$4,639,709

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Net: \$ 3,797,594.49
 NEEDs: \$45,688,510.76
 MIP: \$ 2,059,949.32
 Emergency: \$ 0
 New Chapmanville HS
 New Man ES/MS
 New Logan MS
 New Chapmanville ES

• SAS: \$ 721,094.88 • Total: \$52,267,149.45

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$65,309,945

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$22,815,496 State Rank: 8<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Chapmanville HS New Bldg. with Automated Controls (MIP 2025); Logan MS Foundation/Structural Stabilization (NEEDS 2024)

**GRANT COUNTY** 

# **Project Request:**

Grant County requests up to \$1,861,100 in SBA funding for a safe school addition and renovations at Petersburg High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,500,000 for a total project cost of \$3,361,100.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Petersburg High School was constructed in 1968. The administrative office is located towards the center of the building away from the main entrance. When visitors enter the facility, they have access to the entire school prior to reporting to the office. This presents safety concerns and issues with administration and staff. Additionally, the existing office has no dedicated area for counseling and wellness support staff.
- Grant County Schools proposes to construct a new office addition at the front of the facility allowing for better monitoring of the building access and parking areas. With this addition, the school will have a new safe school entrance that provides a separate visitor's entry. The existing office area will be renovated into counseling and mental health suites. In addition, new gates will be installed in hallways to limit access to areas of the school during after school activities.
- 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.

GRANT COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$1,861.100	55%	\$1,861,100
Local Funds	\$1,500,000	45%	\$1,500,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,361,100	100%	\$3,361,100

## **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: 790,236.33 Petersburg ES A/R Petersburg ES Roof/Fire Alarm Rep. NEEDs: \$14,289,113.61 Union Ed. Complex Roof Rep. 886,743.05 MIP: Union Gym Floor/Fire Alarm Rep. Emergency: \$ 1,096,903.89 220,599.88 Maysville ES HVAC/Roof SAS: \$ Maysville ES Renovations Total: \$17,283,596.76 Petersburg HS Renovations

Union Ed. Complex Roof and WWTP County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$59,672,293

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$1,088,593 State Rank: 49th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Maysville ES 2 Class Addition (MIP 2025); Petersburg ES Roof/HVAC and PreK Addition (Needs 2024)

# **Project Request:**

Marion County requests up to \$2,774,945 in SBA funding for the construction of safe school entrances at nine (9) Marion County Schools. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$924,982 for a total project cost of \$3,699,927.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Marion County has worked with local law enforcement agencies to gather data and need assessments for the security of their school facilities. All the information gathered has led the administration to focus on the security and safety of their students. This county school system currently has twenty-one educational facilities and only one of those has a safe school entrance. Within this proposal, the county has identified nine schools (Barrackville ES/MS, Blackshere ES, Fairview MS, Jayenne ES, Monongah ES, Pleasant Valley ES, Rivesville ES/MS, Watson ES, and White Hall ES) to receive renovations to update the main entrances.
- The project proposes to provide safe school entry upgrades to all nine schools identified above. Due to the age and unique design of the existing facilities, the county intends to implement the current safe school entry elements that can be accomplished. These elements will range from new security vestibules, transaction windows, relocating offices, secure glazing, and separate visitor entrance.
- 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.

MARION COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$2,774,945	75%	\$2,774,945
Local Funds	\$ 924,982	25%	\$ 924,982
PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,699,927	100%	\$3.699,927

# **History of SBA Funding:**

**List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 3,736,074.03 Jayenne ES Renovations \$28,622,841.10 New Middle School NEEDs: MIP: \$ 3,129,149,25 New East Fairmont MS East Dale ES Addition Emergency: \$ SAS \$ 901,767.50 Total: \$36,389,831.88

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County:

Available Bonding Potential \$149,829,633

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 12th \$17,648,065

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

#### PLEASANTS COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Pleasants County requests up to \$1,499,590 in SBA funding for interior renovations at Pleasants County Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$264,634 for a total project cost of \$1,764,224.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The electrical/lighting system dates back to the school's construction in 1975. Replacement parts are hard to come by and have become increasingly more expensive. This older type of system has a larger power consumption/cost compared with current LED lighting systems. The current placement of control switches, which was designed for an open classroom configuration, is inconvenient to the staff.
- The fire sprinkler system also dates back to 1975. The fire marshal has verbally recommended that the sprinkler heads and two main water valves be replaced. An inspection of the system in 2022 by Brewer & Company of WV, Inc. also recommended replacement of the sprinkler heads and valves, along with installation of a back-flow preventer. The fire control panel frequently sends false alarms/codes up to thirty times per day.
- This project proposes to replace/update the fire sprinkler system, replace wiring and upgrade lighting to LED, move the light switch/controls from the corridors to the classrooms, replace selected ceilings, and replace the wainscot tile in corridors.
- 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.

PLEASANTS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$1,499,590	85%	\$1,499,590
Local Funds	\$ 264,634	15%	\$ 264,634
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,764,224	100%	\$1,764,224

Belmont ES Partial HVAC

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: 592,257.00 Pleasants Co. MS - HVAC NEEDs: \$19,188,268.93 St. Marys ES - Renovations MIP: \$ 1,623,372.39 Pleasants Co. MS - Roof Emergency: \$ 0 **Belmont ES Renovations** SAS: 150,013.97 New St. Marys HS Total: \$21,405,650.90 Pleasants Co. MS Restroom Reno. St. Marys ES Roof/HVAC

#### County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

**Available Bonding Potential** \$29,826,291

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 28th \$7,449,751

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

#### HARDY COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Hardy County requests up to \$922,800 in SBA funding for security upgrades at Moorefield Middle School and East Hardy Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$1,022,800.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Moorefield Middle and East Hardy Elementary were constructed in the early to mid-90's. The exterior doors are original to the facilities and lack the most modern security components. Existing hardware is malfunctioning, and doors often do not fully close, which could allow unauthorized access.
- Hardy County Schools proposes to enhance security at Moorefield Middle School which includes construction of a new safe school entrance addition, relocating the main office, and the addition of vehicle bollards at the north and south entrances. Additionally, security film will be applied to existing windows at the front entrance, including the cafeteria and art room.
- This project also proposes to replace exterior door hardware and the repainting of existing doors and windows at East Hardy Elementary School.
- 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.

HARDY COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$ 922,800	90%	\$ 922,800
Local Funds	\$ 100,000	10%	\$ 100,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,022,800	100%	\$1,022,800

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 2,164,603.24 New East Hardy MS NEEDs: \$48,587,886.35 New Moorefield Intermediate \$ 1,026,232.97 East Hardy HS Renovations MIP: Emergency: \$ New Moorefield HS SAS: \$ 261,722.75 East Hardy HS Roof Total: \$50,626,152.33 ast Hardy Early/MS Roof/HVAC

#### County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$44,139,871

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 43rd \$2,199,359

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Moorefield MS HVAC/Roof (NEEDS 2024

#### RALEIGH COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Raleigh County requests up to \$12,539,500 in SBA funding for Phase III renovations at Woodrow Wilson High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$15,000,000 for a total project cost of \$27,539,500.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

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

RALEIGH COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$12,539,500	46%	\$12,539,500
Local Funds	\$15,000,000	54%	\$15,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$27,539,500	100%	\$27,539,500

## **History of SBA Funding:**

# Net: \$ 5,877,416.03 NEEDs: \$68,222,180.18 MIP: \$ 3.464,858.11 Emergency: \$ 2,000,000.00 SAS: \$ 1,359,001.90 Total: \$80,923,456.22

## **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

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

Park MS Addition New Ridgedale ES New Stratton ES

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$169,343,562

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$34,661,553 State Rank: 6<sup>th</sup>

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

# MERCER COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Mercer County requests up to \$12,211,835 in SBA funding for Phase I additions/renovations to Mercer County Technical Education Center (MCTEC). These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$4,000,000 for a total project cost of \$16,211,835.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The Mercer County Technical Education Center (MCTEC) is currently limited in its ability to offer a broad and diversified curriculum due to inadequate space, outdated infrastructure, and a lack of specialized classrooms. This hinders the center's ability to provide a comprehensive range of programs in high demand fields such as engineering, computer science, and medical preparation. The existing facility has an inadequate sprinkler system, an aging fire alarm system, and outdated HVAC controls.
- Mercer County proposes to begin Phase 1 of additions and renovations at the Mercer County Technical Education Center (MCTEC). This project would include new spaces for engineering, criminal justice, information technology, and emergency medical services, with additional general classrooms and restrooms. The renovations would recapture existing space for an administrative suite and upgrade essential building systems, including a new sprinkler system, fire alarm, and HVAC controls.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

MERCER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$12,211,835	75%	\$12,211,835
Local Funds	\$ 4,000,000	25%	\$ 4,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL	\$16,211,835	100%	\$16,211,835

# **History of SBA Funding:**

•	Total:	\$68,676,603.89
•	SAS	\$ 1,061,503.48
•	Emergency:	\$ 274,918.29
•	MIP:	\$ 4,019,014.00
•	NEEDs:	\$58,766,603.02
•	Net:	\$ 4,554,565.10

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Oakvale Elementary School
Pikeview Middle School
Pikeview High School
New Bluefield Area Intermediate ES
New Princeton Area ES

Princeton MS Renovations
Princeton HS A/R

New Mountain Valley ES New Bluefield Primary ES

New Bluewell-Brushfork PK-5 School

# **County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:**

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$113,255,554

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$21,548,344 State Rank: 9<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Timberwood ES (NEEDS 2021)

#### NICHOLAS COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Nicholas County requests up to \$13,971,216 in SBA funding for an addition/renovation at Nicholas County Career and Technical Center. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,000,000 for a total project cost of \$14,971,216.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The Nicholas County Career & Technical Center (NCCTC) is an aging facility in need of improvements to various building components. The roof is original to the building and has been patched or coated multiple times. The HVAC system does not provide adequate air quality control, lighting in several parts of the building needs upgraded, and the school lacks a true safe school entrance. Lastly, the facility is currently very close to program capacity, and the school is unable to accommodate any more programs without additional classroom space.
- Nicholas County proposes to enhance the Nicholas County Career & Technical Center through critical additions and renovations. This would include the addition of a new safe school entrance to separate students from visitors, construction of new classrooms for additional programs, renovation of the culinary arts classroom and lab, and upgrades to key infrastructure elements, such as a new roof, LED lighting, HVAC system, and the replacement of doors and windows. The project would also include new paving for parking areas, the creation of separate bus and parent loops, and replacement of classroom furnishings.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

NICHOLAS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$13,971,216	93%	\$13,971,216
Local Funds	\$ 1,000,000	7%	\$ 1,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$14,971,216	100%	\$14,971,216

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

•	Net:	\$ 5,877,416.03	New Elementary School
•	NEEDs:	\$66,152,654.18	Cherry River ES HVAC/Flooring
•	MIP:	\$ 3.464,858.11	Glade Creek ES Addition
•	Emergency:	\$ 2,000,000.00	Summersville ES Windows/Carpet Rep.
•	SAS:	\$ 1,359,001.90	Summersville Jr. High Carpet Replacement
•	Total:	\$78,853,930.22	Nicholas Co. HS A/R; Carpet; HVAC

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$52,149,052

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$18,835,444 State Rank: 11<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Nicholas County HS Utility Line Replacement (MIP 2025); New Richwood MS-HS & New Glade Creek PK-8 (FEMA)

#### **UPSHUR COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Upshur County requests up to \$3,996,078 in SBA funding for renovations and additions to Tennerton Elementary School. The county is not able to commit local funds to this project.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Currently, Kindergarten students of Tennerton Elementary must leave the main building to walk to a 44-year-old modular classroom structure. This outdoor travel occurs multiple times daily. In addition, Pre-K students are attending off-site community day-care centers rather than receiving instruction at the school. This school has had three major additions since 1958 and does not have a fire suppression sprinkler system. It currently does not meet the full intent of the WV State Fire Code. Lastly, the building lacks a safe school entrance, compromising the safety of the students and staff.
- Upshur County proposes to add a two-classroom addition to house Pre-K and Kindergarten students. This will eliminate the need for the modular building that currently houses the kindergarten classroom. The project would also provide critical upgrades to safety with a new fire sprinkler system and safe schools' entry.
- Upshur County was previously awarded this project through MIP funding in 2022. The county experienced unforeseen financial complications and was unable to proceed with the project. Having addressed internal issues, Upshur County has re-evaluated the potential cost and resubmitted the project for funding consideration.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

UPSHUR COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$3,996,078	100%	\$3,996,078
Local Funds	\$ 0	0%	\$ 0
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$3,996,078	100%	\$3,996,078

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

•	Net:	\$ 1,743,084.41	Electric/Light Upgrades 7 Schools
•	NEEDs:	\$13,657,231.55	HVAC Upgrades at 3 Schools
•	MIP:	\$ 4,712,227.00	Buckhannon Upshur A/R
•	Emergency:	\$ 0	Academy ES/BU Int. Renovations
•	SAS:	\$ 430,502.38	Tennerton ES roof/Ext. Renovations
•	Total:	\$20,543,045.34	

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$60,624,698

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$4,671,993 State Rank: 37<sup>th</sup>

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

#### JACKSON COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Jackson County requests up to \$3,612,239 in SBA funding for additions and renovations to Evans Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$903,060 for a total project cost of \$4,515,299.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The current kitchen is small, cramped and inadequate. The food preparation and cleanup areas are located within very close proximity. It does not comply with health and safety codes. The serving area counters are high and wide, making it difficult for students to receive their meals.
- Sidelights of eight classrooms are a safety concern. Unobstructed views of the entirety of the classrooms are visible from their respective sidelights. Original exterior windows (1960) do not meet modern energy efficiency standards. The current HVAC system does not meet WVDE indoor air quality standards.
- Rather than construct a new elementary school, Jackson County Schools proposes to renovate and expand the existing facility at a much lower cost. The current kitchen can be used during proposed construction and repurposed afterwards.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

JACKSON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$3,612,239	80%	\$3,612,239
Local Funds	\$ 903,060	20%	\$ 903,060
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$4,515,299	100%	\$4,515,299

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 2,072,525.32 Ripley HS Renovations \$37,550,763.48 Ravenswood HS Renovations NEEDs: \$ 2,097,841.78 New Kenna ES MIP: Fairplain ES Addition/Renovations Emergency: \$ MS Addition to Ravenswood HS SAS: \$ 565,327.10 Total: \$42,286,457.68

#### County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$89,811,641

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 17th \$14,886,163

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Ripley MS A/R (NEEDS 2024)

#### RANDOLPH COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Randolph County requests up to \$16,877,781 in SBA funding for an addition at Tygarts Valley Middle/High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,000,000 for a total project cost of \$17,877,781.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing entrance setup at Tygarts Valley Middle/High School presents significant security concerns, as it fails to adequately differentiate between visitor and student/staff access. This lack of separation poses risks to the safety of students and staff alike.
- The 1950 section of the building, the oldest part of the school, houses several critical facilities: the gymnasium with stage, basement lockers, three roughly finished classrooms and vocational agriculture (VoAg) shop. Notably, this area lacks fire sprinklers increasing safety risks. Additionally, maintenance staff spend a considerable amount of time and resources servicing this outdated section, which is becoming increasingly costly and inefficient.
- This project proposes changes that will enhance security and improve educational facilities. A secure entry with better controlled access will be designed in the existing footprint of the office area. Demolition of the oldest wing will eliminate the most problematic and outdated areas of the school. An addition will be constructed that includes a new gymnasium with locker rooms, middle school classrooms, and new vocational agricultural curriculum spaces. By incorporating this new space, Tygarts Valley MS/HS will have a better delivery of vocational programs and physical education learning experiences in addition to accommodating the inclusion of fifth grade students into the middle school.
- Consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle when an exact county plan is identified and approved, and the corresponding project budget is more clearly developed.

RANDOLPH COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$16,877,781	94%	\$16,877,781
Local Funds	\$ 1,000,000	6%	\$ 1,000,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$17,877,781	100%	\$17,877,781

#### **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

•	Net:	\$ 1,942,864.46	Elkins MS HVAC/Elec./Asbestos
•	NEEDs:	\$35,279,213.94	Elkins MS Plumbing/Elec. Reno.
•	MIP:	\$ 4,904,524.09	Pickens School A/R
•	Emergency:	\$ 25,071.00	Tygart Valley HS A/R
•	SAS:	\$ 492,359.43	Beverly & George Ward ES Reno.
•	Total:	\$42,644,032,92	Elkins HS Roof/HVAC

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$76,913,814

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$3,791,076 State Rank: 42<sup>nd</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Elkins MS Partial Roof (NEEDS 2024); Randolph Technical Center Security Entrance (MIP 2025)

#### **CLAY COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Clay County requests up to \$7,356,301 in SBA funding for an addition to Clay County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,500,000 for a total project cost of \$8,856,301.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Clay County Middle School was constructed in 1912 with major additions in 1929, 1974, and 1991. The main entrance is not ADA accessible, has no handrails, and does not provide a separate entrance for visitors. The elevator does not access the basement or the classrooms above the gymnasium. Only the 1991 addition has a sprinkler system. It needs significant renovations and has a building utilization below 50% based on current enrollment. Both access to the site and parking are limited, and student pickup / drop-off requires heightened coordination.
- Clay County proposes to close Clay County Middle School, returning sixth graders to Clay Elementary and Big Otter Elementary, and move the seventh and eighth grade students to Clay County High School by the end of the 2026-2027 school year. The project would incorporate additions and renovations at Clay County High School, including new classrooms, a middle school gymnasium, and a new secure entrance for the seventh and eighth grade wing. This would enable Clay County to provide those students with a seamless integration of a strong secondary school curriculum with access to career and technical education opportunities. Furthermore, Clay County High School is equipped with more advanced communications and security systems, an upgraded fire alarm system, and a secure and controlled bus waiting area.
- 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.

CLAY COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$7,356,301	83%	\$7,356,301
Local Funds	\$1,500,000	17%	\$1,500,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$8,856,301	100%	\$8,856,301

**History of SBA Funding:** 

**Total:** 

**List of Needs Projects Funded:** 

Net: \$ 915,833.00 Clay ES A/R
 NEEDs: \$24,565,482.55 Clay Co. HS A./R
 MIP: \$ 1,529,006.00 New Clay Co. HS
 Emergency: \$ 0 Clay Co. HS Sprinkler Replacement
 SAS: \$ 226,945.50 Clay Co. MS Roof Replacement

\$27,237,317.05 Clay Co. MS HVAC Renovations Clay Co. HS Addition/Renovations

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$14,871,461

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$5,338,485 State Rank; 36<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Clay ES Roof Replacement (MIP 2025)

#### POCAHONTAS COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Pocahontas County requests up to \$4,964,144 in SBA funding for HVAC replacement and facility upgrades to Pocahontas County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,250,000 for a total project cost of \$6,214,144.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Pocahontas County High School needs major upgrades to maintain this facility which will allow an increase in safety precautions, energy savings and upgrades to accommodate today's technology demands.
- This project proposes the replacement of the geothermal heat pumps in every classroom of the facility, along with the auditorium's air to air heat pumps. Additional items of concern are creating connecting hallways from the main building to the Career and Technical Center annex building. Currently, combination codes are used to open doors and all students and staff share these codes. Phase III of previously funded projects includes the replacement of the 1969 switchgear which completes the electrical upgrades. The county wishes to upgrade the windows and data cabling throughout the facility and restrooms in one area of the facility.
- 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.

POCAHONTAS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$4,964,144	80%	\$4,964,144
Local Funds	\$1,250,000	20%	\$1,250,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$6,214,144	100%	\$6,214,144

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Net: \$ 619,439.91 Marlinton MS & Green Bank ES Reno.

• NEEDs: \$10,309,939.36 Hillsboro ES A/R

• MIP: \$ 3,764,193.00 Green Bank ES/MS Roof and Boiler

Emergency: \$ 0
 SAS: \$ 136,426.26
 Total: \$14,829,998.53

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$43,576,307

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$5,800,420 State Rank: 35<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Pocahontas County HS Electric Wiring Upgrades/Gym Floor Reno. (NEEDS 2024); Pocahontas County HS Renovations/Upgrades (MIP 2025); Marlinton ES Roof/Boiler Replacement (MIP 2023)

#### **TUCKER COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Tucker County requests up to \$3,081,073 in SBA funding for interior and exterior renovations at Davis Thomas Elementary/Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$50,000 in local funds for a total project cost of \$3,131,073.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Tucker County Schools is addressing aging infrastructure concerns at Davis-Thomas Elementary/Middle School. This facility has original flooring that is outdated, worn, and less safe for students. The school has outdated lighting and ceilings that may not meet current safety standards or energy efficiency requirements. With the lack of sprinkler system and aging fire alarm, there are critical concerns at this facility.
- This project includes the removal of all asbestos floor tiles, installation of sprinkler system, upgrades to lighting and fire panels, replacement of the roof over the gym and facade treatment for weather protection around the exterior. The outcome of these improvements will enhance overall maintenance and ensure that the facility remains operational for years to come.
- 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.

TUCKER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$3,081,073	98%	\$3,081,073
Local Funds	\$ 50,000	2%	\$ 50,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$3,131,073	100%	\$3,131,073

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

•	Net:	\$ 553,980.71	Davis Thomas ES/MS HVAC
•	NEEDs:	\$19,804,219.66	Tucker Co. HS HVAC
•	MIP:	\$ 2,753,083.00	Tucker Co. HS Addition
•	Emergency:	\$ 0	Tucker Co. HS HVAC Replacement
•	SAS:	\$ 126,237.71	Tucker Co. HS/CTC Fire Alarm/ADA
•	Total:	\$23,237,521.08	Davis-Thomas ES/MS Roof Replacement
			Tucker Valley ES.MS HVAC Reno.

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$39,654,308

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$6,688,136 State Rank: 32<sup>nd</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Tucker County HS Partial Roof/HVAC; Tucker County HS WWTP (NEEDS 2024); Davis-Thomas ES/MS & Tucker Co. HS Exterior Door Replacement (MIP 2023)

#### MORGAN COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Morgan County requests up to \$5,930,101 in SBA funding for roof replacements at three (3) Morgan County Schools. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$658,900 for a total project cost of \$6,589,001.

## STAFF COMMENTS

- There is a need for roof replacements at Berkeley Springs High School (Building A), Warm Springs Middle School and Warm Springs Intermediate School. The existing roofs have exceeded their life expectancy and are showing signs of water infiltration and pose a threat to the structural integrity of the buildings as well as the health of the students and staff.
- Maintenance staff have repaired several seams and metal flashing over the years where water infiltrates the facilities. However, due to the age of the roofs, the county continues to have ongoing issues during snow and rain seasons. This project proposes to remove and replace the existing roofs with fully adhered Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM) rubber systems with tapered insulation that meets all current building codes and standards.
- 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.

MORGAN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$5,930,101	90%	\$5,930,101
Local Funds	\$ 658,900	10%	\$ 658,900
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$6,589,001	100%	\$6,589,001

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** New North Berkeley Intermediate Net: 844,537.95 \$26,082,651.91 Pleasant View ES HVAC Reno. **NEEDs:** MIP: \$ 2,226,031.65 New Warm Springs MS \$ Widmyer ES Renovations Emergency: SAS: \$ 299,904.07 Berkeley Springs HS Renovations Berkeley Spring HS A/R Total: \$29,453,125.58 Berkeley Springs HS Windows/Roof Widmyer ES Roof Berkeley Spring HS Bldg. C Reno.

#### County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$61,476,121

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$9,061,034 State Rank: 22nd

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Widmyer ES HVAC Replacement (NEEDS 2024); Berkeley Springs HS **HVAC (NEEDS 2024)** 

#### **CABELL COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Cabell County requests up to \$4,059,207 in SBA funding for HVAC replacement and renovations to Salt Rock Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$1,353,069 for a total project cost of \$5,412,276.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Cabell County submitted this project several years ago and was partially funded by the Authority in the 2012 MIP funding cycle. At that time, Cabell County elected to install the newly introduced VRF system, which was not an SBA approved system.
- Each Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) unit serves five to six classrooms. Power outages, which are more prevalent in this rural setting, create surges that damage the control boards and compressors. Delivery of replacement parts is taking up to three months. All classrooms are currently using window air conditioning units and will switch over to window heating units for the winter as a supplemental source for conditioning the space. Cabell County Schools had discussions with the manufacturer, Mitsubishi, where it was revealed that the lifespan of the VRF system's compressor was ten years.
- The county proposes to replace the current VRF system with new roof top units and individual vertical units in each classroom; install a sprinkler system; and add new drop ceilings.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding, other projects may be more meritorious.

CABELL COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$4,059,207	75%	\$4,059,207
Local Funds	\$1,353,069	25%	\$ 1,353,069
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,412,276	100%	\$5,412,276

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 5,832,871.13 New Central City ES NEEDS: \$ 63,725,843.84 New Guyandotte ES

MIP: \$ 5,406,610.00 New Village of Barboursville ES

\$ Emergency: New Martha ES 0

SAS Funds: \$ 1,390,242.36 Beverly Hills MS Renovations

Total: \$76,355,567.33 Culloden ES A/R

New Huntington East MS

New Highlawn ES New Meadows ES

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$118,797,263

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$40,996,198 State Rank: 4th

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Meadows ES (Needs 2022); Altizer ES A/R (MIP 2022); New Ona ES (Needs 2024)

#### MASON COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Mason County requests up to \$1,975,026 in SBA funding for a chiller replacement at Point Pleasant Intermediate School and a roof replacement at Point Pleasant High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$658,342 for a total project cost of \$2,633,368.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The mechanical chiller at Point Pleasant Intermediate School dates back to the school's construction in 2002. It has surpassed its 20-year optimal lifespan. It is subject to frequent breakdowns, with maintenance staff averaging bi-weekly visits for repairs. Due to an air pressure imbalance created by the improperly operating HVAC system, the school's doors are not closing completely.
- The Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM) roof at Point Pleasant High School is 18 years old. There have been multiple leaks throughout the building, resulting in displacement of classes.
- Mason County proposes to replace the mechanical chiller and associated mechanical equipment at Point Pleasant Intermediate, thereby increasing efficiency, reducing costs and increasing security. Mason County also proposes to replace the roof at Point Pleasant High School, which will prevent water infiltration and associated damages.
- 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.

MASON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$1,975,026	75%	\$1,975,026
Local Funds	\$ 658,342	25%	\$ 658,342
PROJECT TOTAL	\$2,633,368	100%	\$2,633,368

# **History of SBA Funding:**

# **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

•	Net:	\$ 1,931,308.38	New Ashton ES
•	NEEDs:	\$36,175,036.15	New Pt. Pleasant Intermediate
•	MIP:	\$ 3,084,427.65	North Point ES A/R
•	Emergency:	\$ 0	New Haven ES A/R
•	SAS:	\$ 490,055.70	Career Center Renovations
•	Total:	\$41,680,827.88	Beale ES A/R
			Pt. Pleasant MS/HS Consolidation
			Fire Alarm System Rep. 2 Schools

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$59,486,900

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$16,333,993 State Rank: 14<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Roosevelt ES Upgrades (NEEDS 2024); Safe School Entrances at 4 Schools (MIP 2024)

#### **BRAXTON COUNTY**

# **Project Request:**

Braxton County requests up to \$5,319,345 in SBA funding for HVAC replacement at Braxton County Middle School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$15,000 for a total project cost of \$5,334,345.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- The HVAC system at Braxton County Middle School is original to the building and is well beyond its useful life. At 33 years old, the system is inadequate for the proper heating and cooling of the facility, with 11 units inoperable at the time of this request. The units have continual failures, need replacement parts often, and present leaks that lead to wet ceiling tiles and the potential for mold growth.
- Braxton County proposes the total replacement of the HVAC system at Braxton County Middle School due to its age and frequent breakdowns.
- A portion of the facility has been repurposed as the Braxton County Board of Education office. Only the HVAC units that supply the middle school section of the building are being considered for SBA funding.
- Given the limited funding available for projects this year, consideration should be given to addressing these needs in a future funding cycle.

BRAXTON COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$5,319,345	99%	\$5,319,345
Local Funds	\$ 15,000	1%	\$ 15.000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$5,334,345	100%	\$5,334,345

**History of SBA Funding:** 

**List of Needs Projects Funded:** 

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•	Net:	\$ 1,101,100.57	Davis ES A/R
•	NEEDs:	\$18,466,418.46 .	Flatwoods ES A/R
•	MIP:	\$ 542,085.44	Sutton ES A/R
•	Emergency:	\$ 0	Braxton Co. HS A/R
•	SAS:	\$ 257,136.39	Braxton Co. HS Renovation
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Total: \$20,366,740.86 Sutton ES HVAC

Braxton Co. HS Kitchen Hood Rep.

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential: \$32,848.021

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$4,224,737 State Rank: 40<sup>th</sup>

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

#### GILMER COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Gilmer County requests up to \$1,977,385 in SBA funding for renovations at Gilmer County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$219,709 for a total project cost of \$2,197,094.

# STAFF COMMENTS

- The existing 500-gallon hot water tank (25 years old) and existing piping (66 years old) have exceeded their life expectancies. The water tank supplies the main building and the science labs. If the tank goes out, the school will have to be shut down until it is replaced. The tank shows signs of multiple leaks, and the top is completely corroded. Maintenance has spent between \$5,000 to \$10,000 on repairs in the last three years.
- The Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM) roof (28 years old) over the science classroom addition has exceeded its life expectancy. Leaks are a common occurrence, affecting hallways and some classrooms. During heavy rains, students have to be displaced for up to several days. The metal roof (26 years old) over the vocational building is showing signs of deterioration. This roof covers the new animal processing center and school clinic. Leaks have been occurring since 2015. Maintenance has replaced numerous galvanized screws and repainted the roof in 2016.
- Gilmer County proposes to replace the water tank and piping; and replace the EPDM and metal roofs.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding, other projects may be more meritorious.

GILMER COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$1,977,385	90%	\$1,977,385
Local Funds	\$ 219,709	10%	\$ 219,709
PROJECT TOTAL	\$2,197,094	100%	\$2,197,094

# **History of SBA Funding:**

Total:

**List of Needs Projects Funded:** New Elementary School Net: 513,901.72 NEEDs: \$16,829,765.94 Glenville ES Renovations/Roof \$ 2,933,463.41 Gilmer Co. HS HVAC/Roof Rep. MIP: Emergency: Gilmer Co. HS A/R 100,000.00 SAS: 106,447.78

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

\$20,483,578.85

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$17,557,546

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 46th \$2,981,179

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Gilmer County MS/HS Kitchen Walk-In Freezer Replacement (Needs 2024); Gilmer County MS/HS Animal Processing Renovations (MIP 2022)

#### LINCOLN COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Lincoln County requests up to \$1,837,716 in SBA funding for a chiller replacement and safe school entrance at Lincoln County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$150,000 for a total project cost of \$1,987,716.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Lincoln County High School has two chillers which serve the 217,000 square foot building, with one original to the facility, which has reached the end of its lifespan. The county's maintenance staff works tirelessly to keep this chiller functioning. The other chiller was previously replaced. Additionally, the school was designed prior to the implementation of safe school entrances, and thus lacks a controlled entry point for visitors.
- Lincoln County proposes to replace the aging chiller at Lincoln County High School, as well as construct a safe school entrance within the existing main entrance of the building.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding, other projects may be more meritorious.

LINCOLN COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$1,837,716	92%	\$1,837,716
Local Funds	\$ 150,000	8%	\$ 150,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,987,716	100%	\$1,987,716

# **History of SBA Funding:**

## **List of Needs Projects Funded:**

Net: \$ 1,925,483,27 Hamlin PK-8 School Renovations

NEEDs: \$71,449,938.40 New Harts ES/MS

MIP: \$ 2,764,247.00 West Hamlin ES Addition

Emergency: \$ 657,674.00 New High School

SAS: \$ 401,295.47
 Total: \$77,198,638.14

# County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$24,977,669

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$7,574,028 State Rank: 27<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Duval PK-8 School (NEEDS 2022)

#### WOOD COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Wood County requests up to \$790,813 in SBA funding for a bus loop and drop-off improvements at Greenmont Elementary School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local bond share of \$250,000 for a total project cost of \$1,040,813.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

- Greenmont Elementary School is seated in a residential area, and the school's main entrance is fronted by a 2-way street. Residential on-street parking narrows this to 1 ½ lanes. During drop off/pick up, parents stop their vehicles on the street in the front of the school, causing major congestion/backups each morning and afternoon.
- Without a dedicated bus loop, buses currently must turn around at the back of the school in the staff parking lot. There have reportedly been three cars hit by buses while turning.
- This project proposes a new bus loop/drop-off lane, and additional parking spaces (including handicapped accessible spaces) directly in front of the school. In addition, new safety features such as speed bumps, traffic signs, ADA compliant pedestrian walkways, and enhanced lighting will be included.
- Current conditions at these facilities warrant improvement; however, due to limited funding, other projects may be more meritorious.

WOOD COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$ 790,813	76%	\$ 790,813
Local Funds	\$ 250,000	24%	\$ 250,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$1,040,813	100%	\$1,040,813

## **History of SBA Funding:**

#### Net: \$ 5,976,767.06 Caperton Technology Center NEEDs: \$52,469,243.20 Parkersburg HS A/R MIP: \$ 1,338,123.98 Parkersburg South HS A/R Emergency: Heating Renovations at 4 schools Parkersburg South HS Elevator SAS: \$ 1,509,088.67 Edison MS A/R Total: \$69,808,756.07

Wood Co Tech Center A/R

**List of Needs Projects Funded:** 

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$218,579,986

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$8,737,899 State Rank: 7<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing SBA Project(s): New Primary K-2 ES, New K-5 ES, New Lubeck ES, New North Parkersburg, ES (NEEDS 2024)

#### LEWIS COUNTY

# **Project Request:**

Lewis County requests up to \$6,052,658 in SBA funding for exterior and interior upgrades at Lewis County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$200,000 for a total project cost of \$6,252,658.

### STAFF COMMENTS

- Lewis County High School was built in 1994 with SBA funds. The bricks along the outside of the building lack proper sealing and have begun to deteriorate, allowing water infiltration and the potential accumulation of mold. The windows are original to the building, inefficient, and have collected moisture in some areas. Several areas throughout the building are showing age and decline, most notably in paint, interior doors, flooring, plumbing and bathroom fixtures.
- Lewis County proposes to implement exterior and interior renovations to rejuvenate and modernize Lewis County High School. This would include cleaning and sealing the exterior brick, tuck pointing masonry cracks, replacement of doors and windows, a general building repaint, a comprehensive upgrade to communications systems, restoration of restrooms, and other repairs. The project would also incorporate the addition of an exterior canopy to connect the two front entrances, creating a covered area for students to gather during bus loading and unloading.
- Current conditions of existing facilities warrant improvements of the school environment; however, other projects may be more meritorious.

LEWIS COUNTY	County Proposal	Percent	Staff Comments
SBA Funds	\$6,052,658	97%	\$6,052,658
Local Funds	\$ 200,000	3%	\$ 200,000
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$6,252,658	100%	\$6,252,658

# **History of SBA Funding:**

#### **List of Needs Projects Funded:** Net: \$ 1,235,230.26 Leading Creek ES NEEDs: \$50,102,113.22 New Peterson Central ES \$ 2,373,885,80 Robert L. Bland MS Café Reno. MIP: Emergency: \$ 350,000.00 Robert L. Bland Renovations SAS: \$ 300,338.95 Jane Lew MS A/R Total: \$54,361,568.23 Jane Lew MS Roof

Jane Lew ES/MS Asbestos Abatement Lewis County HS Roof Replacement

### County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Financially Distressed County: No

Available Bonding Potential \$50,229,313

Net Unrestricted Fund Balance: State Rank: 55th \$0

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Lewis County HS HVAC/Interior Upgrades, Roanoke ES Skylight Replacement (NEEDS 2024); Peterson Central ES Partial HVAC (MIP 2025); Safe School **Entrances at Peterson Central and Roanoke ES (MIP 2023)**