

General Obligation  
Bonding Subcommittee  
Agency Hearing Summary

March 25, 2025  
10:00 AM

## Agency Hearing Schedule March 25, 2025

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10:20 AM	10:40 AM	Connecticut State Department of Education
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Summary Note: Information is provided primarily regarding programs with Governor proposed additional funding or change. Each agency includes a programmatic summary of Governor proposed funding and unallocated balance (funds available under current law that could be approved by bond commission to be spent). Information provided in agency capital requests or other agency documentation is provided when applicable, *noted by use of italics*. Additional detail is provided on select programs.

# Office of Early Childhood

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
For the purpose of constructing, improving or equipping child care centers, including, but not limited to, payment of associated costs for architectural, engineering or demolition services related to infant and toddler pilot program	5,000,000	-	-	-	-
Smart Start Competitive Grant Program	45,000,000	-	-	-	-
Care 4 Kids Information Technology Build-Out	New	872,000	-	-	-

# Office of Early Childhood

Program							
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Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26		FY 27	Reduction
5,000,000	-		-	-		-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	-	10,000,000

## Summary

Initial funding of \$5 million was authorized in FY 23 under PA 22-118. PA 23-205 authorized an additional \$5 million for each of FY 24 and FY 25. \$10 million was allocated for the program in August 2024.

*The agency projects over a 24-month period to serve both licensed center-based and home-based childcare programs and are expected to support:*

- 30 center-based programs, creating 720 newly created infant and toddler slots with a total of 2,061 children benefiting from quality facilities improvements.
- 50 home-based programs, creating 100 newly created infant and toddler slots with a total of 400 children benefiting from quality facilities improvements.

*Criteria for selecting projects will be based on the following:*

- Increasing infant and toddler capacity in high social vulnerability areas
- Increasing preschool capacity in preschool deserts
- Health/ safety/and or licensing violations
- Quality Improvements

Also in PA 22-118, \$10 million was authorized for a similar program, administered by CSCU, for child care centers on or near college or university campuses. No funds have been allocated from that program to date.

Program					
Smart Start Competitive Grant Program					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
45,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

The program was created in 2014 to encourage local and regional boards of education to establish or expand preschool programs through operating and capital grants incentives. The operating grants were originally funded using tobacco settlement funds (since moved to General Fund appropriations), and the capital grants through bonding.

This program had a 10-year bond authorization schedule (FY 15 through FY 24), which has been adjusted several times. The original and current authorization schedules are shown in the table. To date, total allocations to the program have been \$3,519,149 (\$1,587,055 in CY 15, \$1,218,405 in CY 16, and \$713,689 in CY 17).

PA 20-1 included language that expanded eligibility for the grants to include:

- school readiness programs (i.e., non-religious, state-funded education programs that provide a developmentally appropriate learning experience;
- state-funded day care centers;
- the Even Start program (i.e., grants to establish or expand local family literacy programs that provide literacy services for children and their parents or guardians);
- programs administered by local and regional boards of education; and
- expansion of child care services to infants and toddlers where a demonstrated need exists, as determined by the Office of Early Childhood.

FY	Original Schedule \$	Current Schedule \$
2015	15,000,000	10,000,000
2016	10,000,000	3,519,149
2017	10,000,000	-
2018	10,000,000	-
2019	10,000,000	-
2020	10,000,000	-
2021	10,000,000	5,000,000
2022	10,000,000	10,000,000
2023	10,000,000	10,000,000
2024	10,000,000	10,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>105,000,000</b>	<b>48,519,149</b>

Under the most recent revised language, the grants must be used for facility improvements and minor capital repairs. Eligible applicants may apply to OEC for capital grants of up to \$75,000 per classroom for renovation-related costs.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Source: PA 20-1 Public Act Summary

Program					
Care 4 Kids Information Technology Build-Out					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	872,000	-	-	-

### Summary

The Office of Early Childhood included a bond authorization request for updates to the Care 4 Kids IT Build-Out (\$872,000). Projects like this are routinely funded under OPM's statewide Information Technology Capital Investment Program.

# Connecticut State Department of Education

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Grants-in-aid to regional educational service centers for capital expenses at interdistrict magnet schools	22,869,311	20,000,000	-	20,000,000	-
Grants-in-aid to support in-district programming for students with disabilities	New	-	4,000,000	-	4,000,000
Grants-in-aid to assist charter schools with capital expenses	13,945,833	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-
Low-performing schools - Grants-in-aid to targeted local and regional school districts for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology, and equipment in low-performing schools	15,075,996	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-

# Connecticut State Department of Education

Program					
Grants-in-aid to regional educational service centers for capital expenses at interdistrict magnet schools					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
22,869,311	20,000,000	-	20,000,000	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
	20,000,000	8,500,000	12,500,000	-	10,000,000	8,130,689	-

## Summary

Initial funding for this program was authorized in FY 23 under PA 22-118.

Projects funded by this program include roof repair, boiler replacements, and HVAC upgrades.

The table below shows the distribution of program awards to date, including both the June 2023 (\$10 million to CREC) and June 2024 (\$8.1 million to all others) allocations.

### Distribution of Funding to Regional Educational Service Centers

RESC	School	Location	Amount \$
CREC	Various	Various	10,000,000
ACES	Educational Center for the Arts	New Haven	2,648,930
CES	Regional Center for the Arts	Trumbull	1,883,950
CES	Six to Six Interdistrict Magnet School	Bridgeport	489,900
EASTCONN	Arts at the Capitol Theater	Windham	2,727,174
LEARN	Regional Multicultural Magnet School	New London	245,037
LEARN	Marine Science Magnet High School	Groton	27,598
LEARN	The Friendship School	Waterford	108,100
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>18,130,689</b>

Program					
Grants-in-aid to support in-district programming for students with disabilities					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	4,000,000	-	4,000,000	-

## Summary

This new program would fund capital needs associated with altering existing school facilities to allow special education students to be taught in their home districts. Related to the \$4 million bond authorization, the Governor's budget proposal includes \$10 million of operating funds starting in FY 27 to incentivize districts to expand their special education capacity and avoid out placements through a new competitive grant program.



Program					
Grants-in-aid to assist charter schools with capital expenses					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
13,945,833	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	2,944,438	-

### Summary

*Funds support charter schools with capital expenses, including school building projects, general improvements, and repayment of debt incurred for school building projects.*

The most recent allocation of \$2.9 million was used for debt repayment at Amistad Academy, Elm City College Prep, Achievement First Bridgeport Academy Middle School, and Odyssey Community School, along with providing funding for Side by Side Charter School for electrical and air conditioning upgrades, staff room renovations, exterior door replacement, and flooring. Recent awards have been capped at \$850,000 per project.

This program is distinct from the state's primary school construction program, which provides reimbursement at various rates to towns and regional school districts for eligible school construction costs.

Program					
Low-performing schools - Grants-in-aid to targeted local and regional school districts for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology, and equipment in low-performing schools					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
15,075,996	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	6,123,333	-	-

### Summary

Funding was most recently provided at the December 2022 meeting of the State Bond Commission for improvements to various Commissioner's Network schools, including facility and site alterations, repairs, and improvements, as well as technology and equipment.

The following awards were provided in the FY 23 allocation:

<b>District</b>	<b>School/s</b>	<b>Amount \$</b>
Bridgeport	Barnum, Bassick, BMA, Cross, Dunbar, Harding, Marin schools	1,826,827
Waterbury	Crosby, Kennedy, and Wilby high schools, Wallace and North End middle schools	1,243,975
New Britain	Northend, Slade and Pulaski middle schools	811,484
New Haven	Hillhouse and Wexler Grant schools	594,938
Hartford	Bulkeley and Weaver high schools	412,483
Derby	Derby Middle School	300,000
Hamden	Hamden Middle School	291,855
Manchester	Bennet Academy	290,354
New London	New London High School; Bennie Dover Middle School	220,272
Region 11	Parish Hill	131,145

The Commissioner's Network is a partnership between local boards of education and the State Department of Education to direct resources to certain low performing schools across the state. Schools receive additional support and resources in exchange for increased accountability.

# Connecticut Technical Education and Career System

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Design and Construction of a new Windham Technical High School	New	113,705,019	-	113,705,019	-
Capital Improvement Projects at E.C. Goodwin Technical High School	New	-	35,000,000	-	35,000,000
Districtwide Facility Infrastructure Upgrades, Security Improvements, Vehicle & Equipment Purchases and Emergency Repairs	New	25,000,000	25,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000
Information Technology and Support Equipment	New	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000
Extended Hour Training at Tech Schools	8,066,000	-	-	-	-

# Connecticut Technical Education and Career System

Program					
Design and Construction of a new Windham Technical High School					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	113,705,019	-	113,705,019	-	-

## Summary

This new bond authorization would fund the design and construction of a new Windham Technical High School.

Under current law, school construction projects for CTECS projects are eligible to be part of DAS's school construction program. Because CTECS schools are state-run and funded, CTECS projects are 100% funded, while most districts have reimbursement rates from 10 to 80% of costs. Projects seeking funding in the school construction reimbursement program are subject to various other requirements, including the size of the project compared to estimated student population and timing of various stages of the project.

A DAS proposal (HB 6922) would remove CTECS from the projects eligible for school construction. This would result in all CTECS projects needing to be considered as part of the overall bond process, instead of being considered as part of future school construction priority lists.

Program					
Capital Improvement Projects at E.C. Goodwin Technical High School					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	35,000,000	-	35,000,000	-

## Summary

This new bond authorization would fund capital improvement projects at E.C. Goodwin Technical High School. Previously, such improvements would either be considered for the school construction program or as part of CTECS alteration, renovation, and improvements program, which was authorized to CTECS through the State Department of Education, depending on the specifics of the project.

Program
Districtwide Facility Infrastructure Upgrades, Security Improvements, Vehicle & Equipment Purchases and Emergency Repairs

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	25,000,000	25,000,000	30,000,000	30,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
15,100,000	14,100,000	-	-	7,500,000	2,191,088	17,080,924	9,196,877

### Summary

**Note: Prior to the Governor's bond proposal, funds for this program were originally authorized to CTECS via SDE. Recent bond use history of the SDE authorizations is shown above.**

*Bond funds are used for alterations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including new and replacement equipment, tools and supplies necessary to update curricula, vehicles, and technology upgrades.*

The technical high school system is administered by the state. Recent bond funds for the system were authorized to CTECS through the Department of Education, based on prior arrangement.

Program
Information Technology and Support Equipment

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	-

### Summary

This new bond authorization would fund IT and support equipment for the CTECS system.

Program
Extended Hour Training at Tech Schools

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
8,066,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

**Note:** These funds were originally authorized to the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) via SDE prior to CTECS recent administrative separation as a standalone agency. The Governor's bond bill reassigns the authorization directly to CTECS.

First authorized for a pilot program in FY 15 then expanded with additional authorization in FY 17, this program was instituted to provide an operational subsidy to the State-run Technical High Schools that allowed the high schools to offer extended hours beyond the traditional school day. Of the \$8.5 million authorized, a total of \$434,000 was allocated at the November 2014 State Bond Commission meeting to pilot the program.

### Other Agency Requests Without Governor Proposed Bonds

Program	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27
Design and Construction of a new Vinal Technical High School	-	108,174,685
Design and Construction of Phase 2 of Platt Technical High School	50,750,000	-
Academic and Trade Program Enhancements	2,000,000	2,000,000
Educational Program Equipment	14,000,000	14,000,000
Facilities Operations Equipment	500,000	500,000
System Wide Food Services Equipment and Improvements	500,000	500,000
HVAC and Energy Efficiency Improvements	1,000,000	1,000,000
System Wide Security Improvements	500,000	500,000
Purchase of Student Transportation and Vehicles	2,500,000	2,500,000

## Department of Administrative Services

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
OCME: Alteration, renovation and additions to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Farmington	28,000,000	5,000,000	48,855,391	-	-
School building projects	171,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000
Grants-in-aid for school air quality improvements, including, but not limited to, HVAC upgrade, replacement, and installation	138,500,000	(138,500,000)	-	-	-
For upgrades and modernization to the Capitol Area System	19,000,000	30,000,000	5,000,000	16,000,000	-
Infrastructure repairs and improvements at state-occupied facilities	60,863,035	20,000,000	20,000,000	-	10,000,000
For solar installations on state property	New	-	-	75,000,000	-
Purchase of equipment, minor improvements and other associated costs for a new data center	New	-	16,000,000	-	16,000,000
Asbestos Removal Program - Removal or encapsulation of asbestos in state-owned buildings	20,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	-	-
Alterations and improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, or for improved accessibility to state facilities	2,488,682	-	-	-	-
Alterations, renovations, and improvements at interdistrict magnet school facilities	20,000,000	-	-	-	-
Capital construction, improvements, repairs, renovations and land acquisition at Fire Training Schools	29,947,599	-	-	-	-
For private providers to comply with fire regulation requirements concerning water tanks at group homes	200,000	-	-	-	-
For the purchase of electric vehicles and the construction and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure	28,425,000	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid to Alliance districts to assist in paying for general improvements to school buildings	18,000,000	-	-	-	-
Grants-in-aid to priority school districts for projects, including reimbursements of expenditures, that are not eligible under section 10-287d of the general statutes	55,000,000	-	-	-	-
Renovations and improvements for an opportunity center	1,000,000	-	-	-	-

# Department of Administrative Services

Program
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner: Alteration, renovation and additions to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Farmington

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
28,000,000	5,000,000	48,855,391	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
2,500,000	-	28,000,000	-	2,500,000	-	-	-

## Summary

This program would fund the expansion or replacement of the OCME facility in Farmington. To date, two authorizations have been made to support the project, in FY 22 and FY 24.

Besides authorizing \$28 million for the project, PA 23-205 (sec. 112) required DAS to submit quarterly status reports on the project beginning in October 2023.

A May 2024 concept analysis estimate provided cost estimates for several options, ranging from \$64 million to over \$80 million. Various options consider:

- expanding the existing facility versus a new standalone facility,
- facility placement, including impact on delivery access, parking, and traffic flow, and
- facility size and layout compared to current and anticipated future operational need.

Initial design funds of \$2.5 million were authorized for FY 22 in PA 21-111, which was fully allocated at the December 2021 meeting of the State Bond Commission. The full price will not be known until other decisions about the project are finalized.

*The design and construction of a new facility for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME), including land acquisition in Farmington. The current 30,000 square foot OCME facility is used for autopsies, laboratory testing, and death investigations. Beginning in 2020, working with DAS, we began a project to increase the size of the facility. The initial assessment proposed a 5,700 sq ft addition and received a \$28,000,000 bond authorization. In 2023, an updated and enhanced facility assessment was completed. An architectural firm with expertise in forensic autopsy facilities did an in-depth analysis for the size, scope, and location of a facility based on professional laboratory design standards, regulations, and our current and projected work needs. They found the 2021 proposed expansion was significantly undersized and an engineering review of current building systems revealed that significant renovations / gutting of our current facility would be required due to outdated and failing systems. The consultants priced the 2021 expansion (in 2024 dollars) and also designed several alternative options which included expansion/renovation as well as new facilities. There are six proposals (including the initial 2021 proposal) which range from 64 to 80 million dollars. Proposal # 5 is the plan that is supported by the agency for \$76,855,391.*



Program					
School building projects					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
171,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000	550,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
550,000,000	450,000,000	-	250,000,000	550,000,000	250,000,000	165,000,000	500,000,000

### Summary

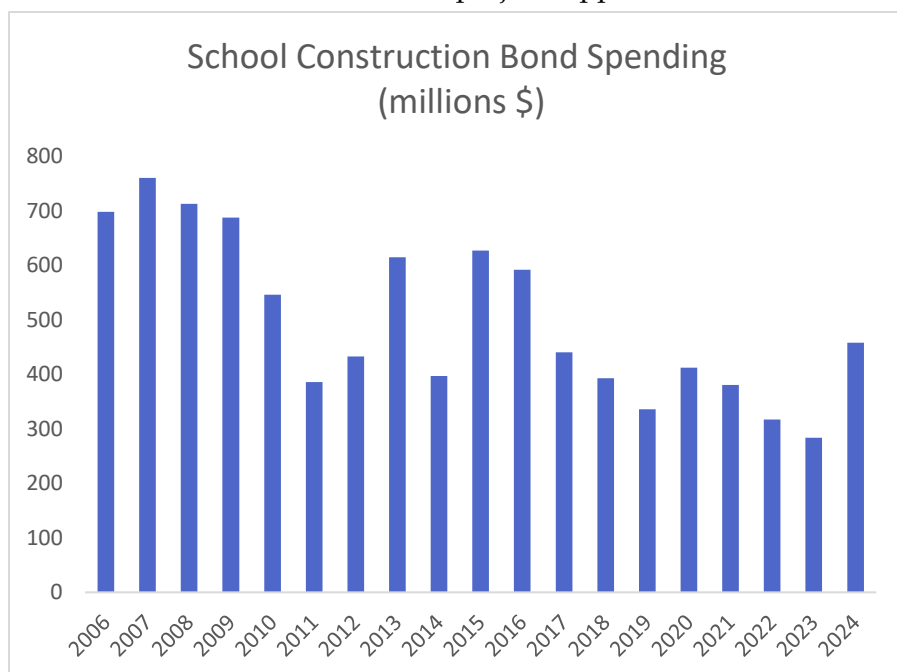
Historically the largest single GO bonding program, this funding is used for the state's reimbursement cost of school construction projects. Unlike many other bond-funded grant programs, individual projects are not considered for allocation by the State Bond Commission. Bonds are authorized and allocated based on anticipated cash flow needs of the overall school construction reimbursement program.

Spending trends are highly impacted by the expected durations of time between program approval on the priority list, design, building, and final closeout and audit of each project. There can also be additional lag between project spending at the district level and when reimbursement from the state is sought, as this is influenced by local decisions on when and how to seek reimbursement. It can regularly be 2 to 10 years before an approved project receives its full approved state reimbursement, and some projects approved for the state reimbursement program never move forward.

School construction reimbursement expenditures have generally declined since peak spending around \$700 million annually for FY 06 through FY 09, as shown in the figure. While recent year's annual expenditures averaged near \$300 million, spending rose to over \$450 million for FY 24 and is on track to surpass that figure for FY 25. All figures shown are nominal, without adjustment for inflation.

Future expenditures are likely to increase from recent lows for several reasons. Those reasons include the cyclical nature of long-term capital needs and upgrades

(i.e., many school facilities built during a boom in the early 2000's are nearing their 20-year expected life span before renovations often become necessary), changing facility needs, especially regarding technology and security, and increased project costs due to long-term inflationary trends.



**Proposed changes to eligible projects**

This session, DAS has proposed changes to project eligibility within the school construction program (HB 6922). Under the proposal, CTECS projects would no longer be eligible to receive funding under the school construction program; instead, CTECS projects would be considered as part of the overall bond process separate from the school construction priority list and related bond-funding. This would result in a decrease of school construction spending over time, as recently approved and ongoing CTECS school construction projects are completed and future funding is provided outside the school construction program.

Additionally, DAS is proposing to eliminate the separate school air quality grant program (as described below), while allowing specified HVAC-related projects to be funded through the non-priority list portion of the school construction funding. Currently, most HVAC projects at schools are only eligible for cost reimbursement if they are part of a larger eligible project. This would result in an increase of school construction spending over time, as new projects are proposed, approved, and completed going forward.

**Background**

The program is primarily used to provide reimbursement funding for projects approved on the local school construction priority list, which includes projects from local and regional school districts, magnet schools, and (under current law) the state-run CT Technical Education and Career System (CTECS). It also funds certain emergency school repairs and projects outside the priority list.

The school construction priority list is submitted by DAS to the legislature in advance of the legislative session annually, which is then considered by the Education Committee. While the priority list informs long-term trends of the school construction program, current and recent authorization is most closely related to actual spending on reimbursements through the program rather than year to year priority list approvals, as discussed above. The 2025 list does not change bond authorizations, but would increase long-term liabilities for reimbursement by approximately \$220 million.

State grants for approved school construction projects that have not yet been fully reimbursed and/or closed represent a long-term liability for the state. Even if no new projects are approved in a given year, new bond authorization for the program is typically necessary to fund reimbursements of projects approved in past years. According to the latest bond issuance official statement, as of the close of FY 24, the state had approximately \$4.5 billion of current grant obligations based on previously approved school construction project lists, which does not take into account new projects under consideration during the 2025 legislative session.

Program							
Grants-in-aid for school air quality improvements, including, but not limited to, HVAC upgrade, replacement, and installation							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26		FY 27	Reduction
138,500,000	(138,500,000)		-	-		-	(138,500,000)
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
	75,000,000	150,000,000	150,000,000	-	75,000,000	150,000,000	11,500,000

### Summary

The Governor’s bond package would eliminate all remaining funding for the separate school air quality improvement program, consistent with the DAS proposal (HB 6922) to eliminate the program and, instead, allow for HVAC related projects to be eligible for funding under the school construction program, as detailed above.

To date, \$236.5 million has been allocated of the \$375 million of GO bonds authorized for the program.<sup>2</sup>

While \$225 million was allocated to be used for grant awards to districts, only \$178 million of awards have been announced through the two rounds of applications for the program - \$56 million from round one (applications from the fall of 2022, awards announced spring of 2023) and \$122 million from round two (applications in late 2023, awards announced spring of 2024).

Based on changes to the authorization allowed in PA 24-151, an additional \$11.5 million was allocated in October 2024 for the creation and distribution of individual classroom filters through the [University of Connecticut’s Clean Air Equity Response Program \(CLEAR\)](#).<sup>3</sup>

<sup>2</sup> \$75 million of ARPA funds were initially made available for the program, but were repurposed in the 2024 session.

<sup>3</sup> <https://indoorairquality.initiative.uconn.edu/project-overview/#:~:text=To%20that%20end%2C%20UConn%20Health,scientifically%20proven%2C%20cost%2Deffective%2C>

Program							
For upgrades and modernization to the Capitol Area System							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26		FY 27	Reduction
19,000,000	30,000,000		5,000,000	16,000,000		-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	19,000,000	-	15,624,461	-	-	-

### Summary

The proposed funds would be used to modernize the Capitol Area System (CAS), which provides the heat and cooling for 18 facilities in the capitol area. The modernization is expected to increase energy efficiency and reduce emissions. These proposed funds follow a \$19 million bond authorization in FY 24 that has not yet been allocated.

Over \$15.6 million was allocated at the December 2021 meeting of the State Bond Commission to finance emergency repairs at the CAS pump house at 474 Capitol Avenue in Hartford to address emergency, short- and long-term repairs and other incidental costs as needed for CAS operations.

*The CAS pipeline was created by legislative act of the General Assembly and was started in 1986 with the then new Legislative Office Building (LOB) being the first building to be connected to the loop. Public Act 09-15 authorized the State's acquisition of the CAS and provided funds to purchase the pipeline from The Energy Network for \$15.6 million. DAS is tasked with maintaining, operating and expanding the CAS. DAS expanded the CAS pipeline to add additional Judicial and State building to the loop.*

Program							
Infrastructure repairs and improvements at state-occupied facilities							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26		FY 27	Reduction
60,863,035	20,000,000		20,000,000	-		10,000,000	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	5,000,000	30,000,000	25,000,000	12,912,374	5,574,158	15,587,299	9,143,890

### Summary

This program provides infrastructure funds for projects statewide, especially for smaller agencies without their own buildings or their own infrastructure funds. Recent allocations include:

- Over \$1 million for air handler repair at 505 Hudson Street in Hartford (which houses the Department of Children and Families, among other agencies). This facility was also allocated funds from the ADA program, also overseen by DAS.

- Over \$3.2 million was allocated at the December 2022 meeting of the State Bond Commission for fire protection system upgrades at two DAS garages and miscellaneous other repairs including roof repairs, boiler replacements, and parking lot improvements at various sites statewide.
- \$1 million was allocated at the December 2021 meeting of the State Bond Commission from this program for building renovations at the Connecticut building at the Eastern States Expo in West Springfield, Massachusetts. Funding authorized specific for this purpose for FY 22 within DAS has not been allocated.

*This program provides for alterations, improvements and repairs to state owned facilities including safety code compliance improvements and energy conservation projects. These funds provide for renovations and capital improvements to several million square feet of state-owned space managed by the Department of Administrative Services- Division of Property and Facility Management "DAS FM". This program also provides a funding mechanism for the smaller state agencies that do not receive their own infrastructure funding to finance their capital project needs. The program also provides funds for unforeseen capital projects that may arise statewide.*

Program					
For solar installations on state property					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	-	75,000,000	-	-

#### Summary

This new program would provide funding for the installation of solar power facilities on state-owned property.

Program					
Purchase of equipment, minor improvements and other associated costs for a new data center					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	-	16,000,000	-	16,000,000	-

#### Summary

This new program would provide funding for the costs associated with a new data center.

Program					
Asbestos Removal Program - Removal or encapsulation of asbestos in state-owned buildings					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
20,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	10,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	10,000,000	5,000,000	-	-

### Summary

DAS's Department of Construction Services oversees projects at state facilities across many agencies. These funds are used to supplement individual project costs when unforeseen costs or conditions arise, often from the discovery of hazardous materials such as asbestos.

*The program assists state agencies with as-needed hazardous materials analysis, abatement and monitoring, as well as with demolition. Using on-call contracts, the program is able to meet needs and address problems quickly.*

Program					
Alterations and improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, or for improved accessibility to state facilities					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
2,488,682	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	250,000	-	1,261,318	-

### Summary

This program funds general improvements associated with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Changes are often made to existing state buildings' entrances, bathrooms, and other publicly accessible areas and amenities. Over \$760,000 was allocated in December 2023 to replace the pedestrian ramp entry to 505 Hudson Street in Hartford.

*As a state entity, Connecticut has a legal responsibility to ensure that all our facilities, programs and services are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The State is taking a more active approach to evaluating and ensuring compliance with the ADA.*

Program							
Alterations, renovations, and improvements at interdistrict magnet school facilities							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		Reduction
20,000,000	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		20,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 23-205 for FY 24. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
Capital construction, improvements, repairs, renovations and land acquisition at Fire Training Schools							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		Reduction
29,947,599	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds are used for improvements, renovations, and construction of regional Fire Training Schools. These facilities are primarily municipally or otherwise locally owned. The most recent allocations supported major improvements at the Burrville Regional Fire School in Torrington (\$13.2 million allocated in July 2016 followed by \$410,000 in June 2019) and the Eastern Connecticut Regional Fire Training School in Willimantic (\$17.5 million allocated in November 2017, followed by \$1.5 million in June 2019).

Program							
For private providers to comply with fire regulation requirements concerning water tanks at group homes							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27		FY 26		FY 27		
200,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	200,000	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 23-205 for FY 25. To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
For the purchase of electric vehicles and the construction and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27		FY 26		FY 27		
28,425,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		35,000,000	-	-	-	6,575,000	-

### Summary

The first allocation of funds for this program, \$6,575,000 at the October 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission, was for design, planning, and studies related to the development of the state's electric vehicle charging infrastructure. That allocation included an estimated \$5 million for underlying construction costs. Total cost for installation of 1,400 charging ports is expected to be approximately \$17.5 million.

*The Governor's FY 24 and FY 25 biennial budget proposal indicated that the proposed funds would be used as \$17 million for zero emission vehicles and \$18 million to install approximately 1,400 charging ports.*

This program supports the purchase of electric vehicles for the state fleet and electric vehicle charging infrastructure statewide, including those elements required or allowed under PA 22-25, the Connecticut Clean Air Act. Among many other provisions, the CT Clean Air Act requires:

- certain construction projects (i.e., new projects valued over \$100,000) at state-owned facilities include electric vehicle charging stations in at least 20% of parking spaces, and
- at least half of the state-owned or leased cars and light duty trucks be zero-emission by January 1, 2026, with 100% required by 2030.



Program							
Grants-in-aid to Alliance districts to assist in paying for general improvements to school buildings							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26	FY 27	Reduction
18,000,000	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

These funds are for grants-in-aid, based on approved applications received, to Alliance Districts for general improvements to school buildings in accordance with Section 10-265h of the General Statutes. Eligible projects include improvements to windows, doors, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, communications/technology systems, lockers, floors, ceilings, restrooms, lighting, energy efficiency, entryways, driveways, parking areas, play areas, athletic fields, various equipment, roof repairs and installation or upgrade of security equipment.

The most recent allocation, in September 2020, was \$30 million for 33 towns. Authorizations for the program were reduced by \$18 million in PA 23-205.

Program							
Grants-in-aid to priority school districts for projects, including reimbursements of expenditures, that are not eligible under section 10-287d of the general statutes							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26	FY 27	Reduction
55,000,000	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 20-1 (\$30 million in FY 20 and \$25 million in FY 21). To date, no funds have been allocated.

Program							
Renovations and improvements for an opportunity center							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		Reduction
1,000,000	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	1,000,000	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 24-205. To date, no funds have been allocated.

*Opportunity Centers are a coordinated service delivery model that will require state agencies to reimagine how they interact with their customers. Siloed service delivery models can create a barrier to accessing the full set of benefits for which state residents may be eligible. This initiative will pilot the co-location of staff from various state agencies to deliver coordinated social services by leveraging state and local community partnerships and help residents attain self-sufficiency. A total of \$1 million in bond funding is being recommended to refurbish space to support this coordinated delivery model. Approximately \$2 million in existing ARPA funding for MyCT will be used to strengthen the technology platform for intake, coordination of care and service delivery.*

## Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities, mechanical systems and energy conservation	28,582,500	38,800,000	60,000,000	10,000,000	50,000,000
Grants-in-aid for Nonprofit Security Projects	5,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000
School Security	20,000,000	-	-	10,000,000	10,000,000
Alterations and improvements to the State Emergency Operations Center in Hartford	1,500,000	-	-	-	-
Alterations, renovations, improvements, and repairs for an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course	5,000,000	-	-	-	-
Upgrade and replacement of the Connecticut Land Mobile Radio Network	24,000,000	-	-	-	-
Upgrades to the Statewide Monitoring and Notification System	2,000,000	-	-	-	-
For the purpose of providing grants to municipalities to purchase unmanned aircraft, accessories or both	3,000,000	-	-	-	-

# Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

Program
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities, mechanical systems and energy conservation

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
28,582,500	38,800,000	60,000,000	10,000,000	50,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,700,000	28,200,000	3,500,000	31,500,000	3,711,624	15,920,826	13,967,500	16,000,000

## Summary

This is DESPP's primary departmental facilities account, used for renovations and improvements at facilities across the state.

\$16 million in total was allocated at the August 2024 and December 2024 meetings of the State Bond Commission. The funding was used for various repairs, including the following:

- Underground Storage Tank Removal and Replacements (\$4 million) - remove and replace three 6,000-gallon unleaded fuel tanks before 10/1/2025 to comply with state and federal environmental regulations.
- Asphalt Paving (\$3 million) - resurface driveways and parking areas at the CSP/POST Training Academy in Meriden, the Mulcahy Campus in Meriden, Troop L in Litchfield, and the headquarters building in Middletown.
- Troop E Roof Replacement and Masonry Repairs (\$1 million) - Troop E, Montville
- Bath/Shower Renovations at CSP/POST Training Academy (\$1 million) - CSP/POST Training Academy, Meriden
- CSP/POST Full Load Building Generator (\$1 million) - CSP/POST Training Academy, Meriden
- Fire Alarm Upgrades/Replacements (\$2 million) - upgrade fire alarm systems and replace systems that are past life expectancy.
- Security Systems & Card Access Upgrades (\$2 million) - upgrade the security system at buildings and troops to current standards which are being used by the Statewide Security & Safety Management, Statewide Security Unit. In Phase 1 the State Forensic Lab will be updated for better security and monitoring services and troops will be getting new servers installed
- Emergency/Minor Capital Projects (\$2 million) - various DESPP buildings, grounds utilities, and mechanical systems.

The agency's authorization request for FY 26 and FY 27 includes various renovation, maintenance and demolition projects, such as roof replacement, HVAC equipment, building envelope, generator replacement, floor and bathroom upgrades, and parking pavement. It also includes \$10 million in FY 27 towards a new Troop B facility, with a total estimated cost of \$30 million.

Program					
Grants-in-aid for Nonprofit Security Projects					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
5,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
10,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	-	5,000,000	-

### Summary

This program provides funds to nonprofit organizations that are at heightened risk, as determined by the commissioner, of being the target of a terrorist attack, hate crime, or violent act. There is a similar federal program, which provides a funding for physical security improvements included in the [FEMA authorized equipment list](#). Differences between the state and federal programs can be found [here](#).

The state funding for the nonprofit security grant program began in PA 20-1 (\$5 million) and was increased in PA 21-111 (\$10 million in FY 22 and \$5 million in FY 23). The original \$5 million was allocated in December 2020, which led to initial applications in early 2021. \$5 million was then allocated in May 2022. The latest allocation was \$5 million at the December 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission.

Eligible expenses for the program include reinforcement of entryways, camera systems, and other security best practices as deemed allowable by DESPP. Funding can be used for developing the infrastructure, as well as training personnel to operate and maintain the security infrastructure. Grants are capped at \$50,000 per organization, with half of approved grants available up front and the remainder upon successful installation/completion.

Program					
School Security					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
20,000,000	-	-	10,000,000	10,000,000	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
5,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	15,000,000	5,000,000	-

### Summary

Eligible expenses for the school security program include but are not limited to: installation of surveillance cameras, penetration-resistant vestibules, ballistic glass, solid core doors, double access doors, computer-controlled electronic locks, entry door buzzer system, scan card systems, panic alarms or systems, real time interoperable communications and multimedia sharing infrastructure or other systems, and the training of

school personnel in the operation and maintenance of the security infrastructure of school buildings, or the purchase of certain portable entrance security devices.

This program supplements the overall school construction program to provide for capital security improvements at educational facilities. Besides the program described here, many school construction projects adopted since 2013 have included school security-related improvements, so total investment in school security is greater than the amount invested in this program alone.

PA 20-1 expanded recipient eligibility to include licensed childcare providers and preschools. Grants to private schools, licensed childcare centers, and private preschools are capped at \$50,000 and 50% of eligible expenses. The act also moved \$5 million of targeted authorizations for multimedia interoperable communications systems into the program.

Program							
Alterations and improvements to the State Emergency Operations Center in Hartford							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		Reduction
1,500,000	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 15-1 JSS (\$500,000 in FY 16 and \$2,000,000 in FY 17).

\$1 million was allocated at the April 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission towards upgrades to the HVAC system, health and safety renovations, as well as improvements to the server room to meet current fire code requirements.

Program							
Alterations, renovations, improvements, and repairs for an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26		Reduction
5,000,000	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		5,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 23-205 (\$5 million in FY 24) for capital improvements to the emergency vehicle operations course. To date, no funds have been allocated.

The emergency vehicle operations course is used to provide training to both state and municipal employees for officer standard requirements.

Program							
Upgrade and replacement of the Connecticut Land Mobile Radio Network							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27		FY 26		FY 27		
24,000,000	-		-		-		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
39,000,000	-	-	-	-	15,000,000	-	-

### Summary

This program was established in PA 21-111 in order to fund replacement of the core technology system for DESPP. \$15 million was allocated at the December 2022 meeting of the State Bond Commission for the following:

- Replacement of Department of Correction (DOC) Handheld Radio System (\$10,000,000) – replacement of all portable radios in the DOC inventory.
- New radio tower for coverage in Hartford County (\$2,000,000) – add a radio tower site to the Farmington Valley to improve coverage gaps for first responders working in this area.
- Replacement of tower structure at Rocky Hill Veterans Home (\$2,000,000) – water tank repairs.
- Equipment to Enhance System Security (\$1,000,000) – procurement of new security features to deal with emerging vulnerabilities recently discovered in Land Mobile Radio Engineering.

*The Connecticut Land Mobile Radio Network (CLMRN) continues to expand and grow saving CT municipalities and public safety agencies millions of taxpayer dollars. Additionally, the CLMRN is creating a level of interoperability in which this state has never seen (a shared state resource that fosters regionalism). This funding will create additional enhancements to the network in effort further protect first responders and all CT residents and visitors.*

*Funding will be used to replace end of life radios, increase system portable level coverage, add trunked control stations for DEMHS, upgrade Network Control Center, add deployable coverage resources, backup power and upgrade communications infrastructure at Department of Correction to be compatible with state system.*

Program					
Upgrades to the Statewide Monitoring and Notification System					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27		FY 26		FY 27
2,000,000	-		-		-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	2,000,000	-	-

### Summary

Funds were originally authorized in PA 17-2 JSS (FY 18). \$2 million was allocated at the July 2022 meeting of the State Bond Commission for upgrades to the Department's Headquarters Message Center.

*This project will create a 24-hour information desk that will allow for monitoring of both natural and manmade hazards at the local, state, and national level. This will enhance coordination and communications with local/tribal emergency management, law enforcement, and other local public safety partners, receiving and integrating information to alert state and local officials of significant events immediately as they arise.*

Program
For the purpose of providing grants to municipalities to purchase unmanned aircraft, accessories or both

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
3,000,000	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	3,000,000	-	-	-	-

### Summary

Funding was provided in PA 24-151. To date, no funds have been allocated.



## Department of Correction

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and improvements to existing state- owned buildings for inmate housing, programming and staff training space and additional inmate capacity, and for support facilities and off-site improvements	18,314,727	113,743,076	134,121,500	50,000,000	55,000,000
Manson Youth Institute Renovations and Improvements	5,000,000	-	-	-	-

# Department of Correction

Program							
Alterations, renovations and improvements to existing state- owned buildings for inmate housing, programming and staff training space and additional inmate capacity, and for support facilities and off-site improvements							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
18,314,727	113,743,076	134,121,500	50,000,000	55,000,000	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
30,000,000	70,000,000	55,000,000	55,000,000	7,718,785	83,664,800	57,890,688	42,411,000

## Summary

This is DOC's primary department facilities program. Funds are used for a variety of capital purposes, including HVAC/energy conservation, roof repairs, paving, architectural items, security, and fire safety.

Recent funding includes the following:

- Osborn Correctional Institute in Somers (\$41.7 million) - to finance Phase 2 of the exterior doors and windows replacement project, which consists of the complete replacement of approximately 93,000 square feet of exterior doors and windows that have exceeded their life expectancy. Additionally, funds were requested for a new water treatment system.
- Corrigan-Radgowski Correctional Center (\$490,000) – chiller replacement
- Webster Correctional Institution (\$234,000) – phone system upgrade

*The agency's bond authorization request for FY 26 includes housing unit modifications, roof repairs and replacements, ADA upgrades, wall repairs, water remediation systems, exterior door and window replacements, fire alarm upgrades, HVAC upgrades, among other projects, at various correctional facilities, including but not limited to, Manson Youth Institution, New Haven, Hartford, and Osborn Correctional Centers.*

*The request for FY 27 includes \$100 million for HVAC modifications at the Osborn Correctional, located in Somers. This project would consist in the installation of A/C for medical, administrative, housing units, industries, gym, and laundry spaces. The remaining \$34.1 million requested funds would finance upgrades to fire alarm system, installation of body scanners, roof repairs, walkways replacement, among other projects at various correctional facilities.*

Program							
Manson Youth Institute Renovations and Improvements							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	
	FY 26		FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	Reduction	
5,000,000	-		-	-	-	-	
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
		-	5,000,000	-	-	-	-

### Summary

The Manson Youth Institute is a level 4 high-security facility located in Cheshire. It serves as the Department's primary location for housing sentenced inmates ranging in age from 14 to 21. The facility consists of 10 separate buildings, each with three wings containing 12 cells, a day room, counselor offices and mini kitchen. As of December 2024, the facility houses 303 inmates<sup>4</sup>.

Funding was provided in PA 24-151 and intended to address problems with residential cottages at the facility. To date, no funds have been allocated.

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<sup>4</sup> Source: CT Department of Correction: [Average Confined Inmate Population and Legal Status Report](#)

# Military Department

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
State matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable projects	3,579,000	5,000,000	3,000,000	5,000,000	3,000,000
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities, mechanical systems and energy conservation	1,575,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Construction of a Medical Readiness Center	New	7,000,000	35,000,000	5,000,000	-
Construction of a State Warehouse Facility	New	6,000,000	16,000,000		
State matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable project at the Theater Aviation Sustainment Maintenance Group in Groton	New	17,000,000	-	17,000,000	-
State matching funds for construction of a warehouse at Camp Hartell in Windsor Locks	250,000	-	-	-	-

# Military Department

Program							
State matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable projects							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27		
3,579,000	5,000,000	3,000,000		5,000,000	3,000,000		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
1,810,000	3,250,000	5,000,000	3,000,000	1,254,000	6,564,000	5,000,000	-

## Summary

This program is used to fund the state share of federally reimbursable projects. Projects eligible for reimbursement can vary, including code compliance, energy-efficiency projects, and training site construction.

\$5 million was allocated at the June 2024 meeting of the State Bond Commission, which was the state portion of projects totaling \$68,640,548. The remaining \$63,640,548 was provided by federal funds. The project cost breakdown is listed below:

- Construction of the aircraft maintenance hangar (\$9,386,177) – Army air support facility in Windsor Locks.
- Renovation and construction of addition to hangar (\$59,254,371) – Theater aviation support maintenance group in Groton. The project includes the award of a design contract to support the future construction of a large addition to the existing hangar.

Program							
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities, mechanical systems and energy conservation							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.		Governor Rec. Reduction
FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27	FY 26	FY 27		
1,575,000	1,000,000	1,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000		-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
200,000	200,000	300,000	200,000	-	-	-	-

## Summary

This is the Military Department's primary department facilities program, which covers alterations and emergency repairs to state-owned buildings. The latest allocation was \$700,000 at the December 2020 meeting of the State Bond Commission.

Projects will be agency and/or DAS/DCS administered and may include alterations, code compliance, site work, exterior repair, underground storage tank removal, minor construction, and energy conservation.

Current facilities are deteriorated and in need of refurbishment, renovation, and update to ensure code compliance and compliance with federal regulations for training National Guard personnel and storage of their equipment. Failure to provide these funds will impact the agency's ability to preserve the State's capital assets.

Program					
Construction of a Medical Readiness Center					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	7,000,000	35,000,000	5,000,000	-	-

### Summary

This new program would fund the construction of a medical readiness and soldier support center.

Program					
Construction of a State Warehouse Facility					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	6,000,000	16,000,000	-	-	-

### Summary

This new program would fund the construction of a state warehouse facility.

Program					
State matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable project at the Theater Aviation Sustainment Maintenance Group in Groton					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	17,000,000	-	17,000,000	-	-

### Summary

The agency requested \$17 million for FY 26 as state matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable project at the Theater Aviation Sustainment Maintenance Group in Groton.

Program							
State matching funds for construction of a warehouse at Camp Hartell in Windsor Locks							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request		Agency Request		Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.	Governor Rec.
	FY 26		FY 27		FY 26	FY 27	Reduction
250,000	-		-		-	-	-
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Summary

The project consists of a warehouse design study which would review the 2006 Master Plan of Camp Hartell and develop an overall phasing methodology to construct a new warehouse. The building was constructed during World War II and is well past its useful life span.

Funds were last allocated in September 2019 for construction of a warehouse at Camp Hartell in Windsor Locks. The allocation covered the state portion (\$250,000) of projects totaling \$1.25 million. The remaining \$1 million was provided by federal funds. \$250,000 remain in unallocated funds.

## Department of Veterans Affairs

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	-	23,750,000	13,250,000	20,000,000	10,000,000
Expansion of the Middletown State Veterans Cemetery	New	15,000,000	-	7,500,000	-
Power plant upgrades in Rocky Hill	533,635	-	-	-	-



# Department of Veterans Affairs

Program							
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds							
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction		
-	23,750,000	13,250,000	20,000,000	10,000,000	-		
FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	3,000,000	-	385,000	1,861,440	3,000,000	2,499,897

## Summary

This is DVA's primary departmental facilities account, used for alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds.

At the August 2024 meeting of the State Bond Commission, funds were provided towards updating and replacing the nurse call system (\$650,000) and roof (\$1,300,000) at the Levitow Healthcare Center, water tower repairs (\$349,897), and emergency/minor capital repairs (\$200,000).

Program					
Expansion of the Middletown State Veterans Cemetery					
Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
New	15,000,000	-	7,500,000	-	-

## Summary

This project received \$3 million in funding at the December 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission meeting from the general alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds authorization above. Funds were provided to cover the purchase of suitable property in the vicinity of the current cemetery on Bow Lane in Middletown, in accordance with U.S. Veterans (VA) National Cemetery Administration (NCA) requirements for state owned veterans' cemeteries.

The current cemetery location in Middletown, CT is projected to reach capacity in 3-5 years. It provides burial plots for veterans and eligible dependents.

Program					
Power plant upgrades in Rocky Hill					

Unallocated Balance 1/1/25	Agency Request FY 26	Agency Request FY 27	Governor Rec. FY 26	Governor Rec. FY 27	Governor Rec. Reduction
533,635	-	-	-	-	-

FY 22 Auth	FY 23 Auth	FY 24 Auth	FY 25 Auth	FY 22 Allocation	FY 23 Allocation	FY 24 Allocation	FY 25 Allo through 1/1/25
-	-	-	-	595,000	-	-	-

**Summary:**

Original funding of \$1,750,000 was provided under PA 11-57. \$339,080 was allocated in FY 17, \$282,285 in FY 21, and \$595,000 in FY 22. The latest allocation funded the design of the replacement of three condemned boilers, which were removed from the facility.