Analysis of State Bond Commission Agenda Items

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## **OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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General Obligation (GO) Bonds	Item #	New Allocation
Capital Region Development Authority		
Alterations, renovations and improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center and		<b>=</b> 000 000
Rentschler Field	4	7,000,000
Alterations, renovations and improvements to parking garages in Hartford	5	5,000,000
Grant-in-aid for the purpose of encouraging development	12, 49, 52	12,467,627
Grant-in-aid to the municipality of East Hartford for the purposes of general economic	<b>2- 1</b> 2	
development activities	35,40	4,500,000
Infrastructure renovations and improvements to the Front Street district in Hartford	37	2,000,000
Residential housing development	54	1,057,373
Department of Administrative Services		( = ( 1 0 0 =
Infrastructure repairs and improvements at state-occupied facilities	32, 44, 47	6,564,905
Alterations and improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act,		
or for improved accessibility to state facilities	43	500,000
Department of Children and Families		
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	34, 46, 48	7,724,261
Department of Correction		
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	6, 22	54,283,247
Department of Developmental Services		
Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities for client and staff		
needs at all state-owned facilities	33, 38, 45	3,000,000
Department of Economic and Community Development		
Economic Development and Manufacturing Assistance Act (MAA) of 1990 and the		
Connecticut job training finance demonstration program	57	7,761,000
Small Business Express Program	8	11,000,000
Community Investment Fund 2030	26	73,652,362
Department of Education		
Grants-in-aid to regional educational service centers for capital expenses at		
interdistrict magnet schools, not exceeding \$20,000,000, provided not more than		
\$10,000,000 shall be used for grants-in-aid to the Capital Region Education Council	11	8,130,689
Technical Education and Career System, alterations, renovations and improvements to		
buildings and grounds, including new and replacement equipment, tools and supplies		
necessary to implement updated curricula, vehicles and technology	15, 21	7,675,000
Grants-in-aid to assist charter schools with capital expenses	61	2,944,438
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection		
Alterations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities,		
mechanical systems and energy conservation	18, 19	12,967,500
School Security	30	5,000,000
Alterations, renovations, improvements, and repairs to Connecticut Police Officer		
Standards Training Council buildings and grounds,	13	1,000,000
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection		
Alterations, renovations and new construction at state parks and other recreation		
facilities including Americans with Disabilities Act improvements	3	30,000,000
Department of Housing		
Time to Own program	10	15,000,000
Flexible Housing Program	17	30,000,000
Down Payment Assistance Program	28, 29	9,000,000

General Obligation (GO) Bonds	Item #	New Allocation
Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services		
Design and installation of sprinkler systems in direct care patient buildings	14, 20, 53	4,000,000
Judicial Department		
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds at state-owned and maintained facilities	1( ))	4 702 010
	16, 23	4,798,010
Sound amplification equipment in court and hearing rooms	27	800,000
Implementation of the Technology Strategic Plan Project	39	1,500,000
Military Department		
State matching funds for anticipated federal reimbursable projects	2	5,000,000
Acquisition of property for development of readiness centers	36	2,000,000
Office of Policy and Management		
Information Technology Capital Investment Program	1	17,795,487
Grants-in-aid for the development of an advanced manufacturing facility in the		
Hartford region	7	15,000,000
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purchase of on-body cameras for local law		
enforcement officers	31	541,332
Local Capital Improvement Fund (LOCIP)	58	30,000,000
Urban Act - Grants-in-aid for urban development projects	60	66,978,933
State Library		
Grants-in-aid to public libraries for construction, renovations, expansions, energy		
conservation and handicapped accessibility under the provisions of CGS Sec. 11-24c	41	3,048,046
Total New GO Allocations		519,690,210

Special Tax Obligation (STO) Bonds	Item #	New Allocation
Department of Transportation		
Department facilities	9	36,660,010
Environmental compliance at state-owned properties	9	3,099,770
For the purchase and installation of advanced wrong-way driving technology	9	7,595,660
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's roads	9	19,745,600
Interstate Highway Program	9	4,500,000
Intrastate Highway Program	9	24,794,913
State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement projects	9	24,491,988
Urban Systems Projects	9	5,545,000
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges	9, 25	22,100,000
Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property		
_acquisition and related projects	9,42	154,250,000
Local Bridge Program	24	4,614,400
Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program	25	26,483,000
Reconstruction and improvements to the Warehouse and State Pier, New London,		
including site improvements and improvements to ferry slips	50, 51	3,236,994
Total New STO Allocation	S	337,117,335

Clean Water Fund (CWF) Revenue Bonds		Item #	New Allocation
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection			
Clean Water Fund Revenue Bonds		59	275,000,000
	Total New CWF Allocations		275,000,000

The following is intended to provide legislative members of the State Bond Commission (SBC) with additional information and analysis of the items on the agenda, as it was when first published.

#### I. Summary

#### General Obligation (GO) Bonds

Total New GO Bond Allocations by Month	FY 24 \$	FY 23 \$
Allocations Effective July 1	118,671,428	159,896,428
July Agenda		369,847,107
October Agenda	540,755,101	
December Agenda	765,745,289	509,532,566
April Agenda		620,351,336
(Current Agenda) June Agenda	519,690,210	340,267,389
FY Total Through June	1,944,862,028	1,999,894,826
Allocation Cap	2,400,000,000	2,377,000,000**
Allocation Remaining Under FY Cap	455,137,972	See Note

**\*\*Note:** PA 23-1 amended CGS Sec. 3-21 to limit GO bond allocations to \$2.4 billion on a fiscal year basis beginning in FY 24 (July 1, 2023). The fiscal year limit will be adjusted based on CPI beginning in FY 25. The limit shown for 2023 was the prior calendar year cap for CY 23 that was replaced with the FY cap for FY 24. The CY 23 cap was \$2,377 million, based on inflation of the \$2 billion cap established in CY 17.

## **Special Tax Obligation (STO) Transportation Bonds**

Total New STO Bond Allocations by Month	FY 24 \$	FY 23 \$
July Agenda		482,246,929
October Agenda	1,122,359,829	
December Agenda	153,519,750	429,910,525
(Current Agenda) June Agenda	337,117,335	155,053,098
FY Total Through June	1,612,996,914	1,067,210,552

## II. Agenda Items

**Item #1** Office of Policy and Management: Information and Technology Capital Investment Program (\$17,795,487 in new GO bonds)

The funding will be used for information technology enhancements for the (1) Department of Children and Families (DCF), (2) Department of Developmental Services (DDS), (3) Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS), (4) Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), and (5) Department Social Services (DSS).

Description	Consultant Services	Software	TOTAL
DCF - Child Support Enforcement System	5,000,000	945,470	5,945,470
DDS - Home and Community Based Management System	287,741	-	287,741
CTECS - Nutrition and School Meals	2,000,000	332,260	2,332,260
DEEP - Electronic Permitting	8,000,000	-	8,000,000
DSS - Shared Services Initiative	1,230,016	-	1,230,016
TOTAL	16,517,757	1,277,730	17,795,487

**Item #2** Military Department: State Matching Funds for Anticipated Federal Reimbursable Projects (\$5,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The request is for funding of \$5 million, which is the state portion of projects totaling \$68,640,548. The remaining \$63,640,548 is provided by federal funds. Funding is requested for the projects 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 hanger.

Item #3 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: State Parks (\$30,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This allocation will be used to finance various projects at state parks, forests, and a boat launch, along with a state sawmill. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) prioritizes projects based on certain criteria, similar to the National Park Service's method, with final review and approval by senior agency managers. There are approximately 600 project concepts within the DEEP tracking system.

This allocation will be used to fund the various prioritized improvements detailed in the table below:

Town	Project	Amount \$
	Minor capital projects (<\$100,000 each) and emergency repairs (e.g.,	
Statewide	roof, window, and HVAC replacements)	6,500,000
	Vault toilet buildings to replace existing toilet facilities; numerous	
Statewide	locations under consideration	3,100,000
	Roadway, bridge, and culvert maintenance, including Stoddard Hill,	
Statewide	Highland Lake, Sunrise Park, and Upper Moodus Boat Launch	1,500,000
Statewide	State-recognized Indian reservations – Emergency repairs	250,000

Town	Project	Amount \$
	Harkness Memorial State Park - Carriage House, Mansion, and maintenance facility rehabilitation, including HVAC, utilities, roof,	
Waterford	and interior along with exterior work	4,000,000
Madison	Hammonasset Beach State Park - Repave all roads and parking lots	3,000,000
Westport	Sherwood Island State Park - Paving, draining, maintenance facility	2,500,000
East Lyme	Rocky Neck State Park – Water, electrical, and telecommunications upgrades and replacements	2,500,000
Barkhamsted	American Legion State Forest – Replacement of Austin Hawes campground bath house buildings	2,000,000
Killingworth	Chatfield Hollow State Park – Covered bridge replacement, and roadway and draining improvements	1,325,000
New Fairfield	Squantz Cove/Candlewood Lake - Boat launch renovation	1,100,000
Sprague	Salt Rock State Campground – Bath house replacement, culvert repair, and minor road improvements	1,000,000
Portland	DEEP Sawmill - Upgrades	700,000
Old Lyme	Rocky Neck State Park – Boardwalk improvements	525,000
TOTAL		30,000,000

**Item #4** Capital Region Development Authority: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center and Rentschler Field (\$7,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will finance the following improvements, listed by facility:

- *Connecticut Convention Center (\$2 million)* Repair of water damage to the riverfront esplanade and other miscellaneous repairs, including replacement of pavers and repair of waterproofing and drainage.
- *Rentschler Field (\$5 million)* Roof repairs, waterproofing, renovation of team facilities and other miscellaneous repairs. This will be the first tranche of funds needed to complete approximately \$63.3 million worth of necessary renovations according to the <u>Populous comprehensive building assessment report</u>.

Since 2018, the State Bond Commission has allocated \$10.335 million to the Convention Center and Rentschler Field for various repairs and minor capital projects.

**Item #5** Capital Region Development Authority: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Parking Garages in Hartford (\$5,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will finance structural repairs and safety improvements, including tenant-required blue light system, to parking garages in Downtown Hartford, in particular the Church Street garage. It is anticipated that six of the seven parking garages will require repairs over the next few years at an estimated total cost of \$22 million.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CRDA Testimony to the G.O. Bonding Subcommittee, March 18, 2024

**Item #6** Department of Correction: Alterations, Renovations, and Improvements to Existing State-owned Buildings (\$52,587,815 in new GO bonds)

Funding of \$52,587,815 is requested for the projects described below.

- *HVAC installation and electrical upgrades (\$25,000,000) –* Hartford CC and Bridgeport CC.
- *Repair and replacement of heating and cooling loops (\$27,587,815) Various correctional institutes.*

**Item #7** Office of Policy and Management: Grants-in-Aid for the Development of an Advanced Manufacturing Facility in the Hartford Region. (\$15,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This allocation is to provide financing in the form of a grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT) to construct a new Manufacturing Technology and Innovation Center in East Hartford. These funds will be used alongside federal and private sources to combine three existing facilities in East Hartford into one. The new facility will house the headquarters and existing programs as well as provide additional capacity for the organization to expand its applied research and development capabilities.

CCAT is currently under contract for the first \$16.2 million in Federal funding and is in the process of securing another award for a combined federal contribution of \$32 million. An additional \$10 million of private funding will also be provided to the project.

**Item #8** Department of Economic and Community Development: Small Business Boost Program (\$11,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The allocation will support loans and business support services for small businesses and nonprofits through the Connecticut Small Business Boost Fund (formerly the Small Business Express program).

*Background:* Through PA 21-2 JSS, the Department of Economic and Community Development restructured the former Small Business Express program into the new <u>Connecticut Small Business Boost Fund</u>. This new program gives small business owners access to flexible funding for capital expenditures and working capital and connects them with support services.

Small businesses and nonprofits can borrow between \$5,000 and \$500,000 depending on eligibility and need. The funds may be spent on various needs including equipment, payroll, utilities & rent, supplies, marketing & advertising, eligible refinancing, building renovations and other expenses. Loans are not forgivable. Businesses will need to pay back the full amount of the loan with interest over a 60- or 72-month term.

Since the passage of PA 21-2 JSS and the restructuring of the program, the State Bond Commission has allocated a total of \$55 million towards the program.

Items #9, 24, 25, 42, 50, & 51 Department of Transportation: Infrastructure Program (\$337,117,335 combined in new STO bonds)

These funds will be used to finance several programs under the Department of Transportation. Below is a breakout of certain programs.

#### Advanced wrong-way driving technology and other wrong-way driving countermeasures

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An allocation of \$7,595,660 (the remaining balance of the \$20 million authorized for the program for FY 24) is requested to allow the agency to work towards the goal of 120 operational locations by January 1, 2025. An additional \$20 million is authorized for FY 25.

Interstate Highway Program					
Town Description Total Federal State					
East Windsor/ Enfield	Pavement Resurfacing I-91	45,000,000	40,500,000	4,500,000	

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**Intrastate Highway Program** 

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Town	Description	10tal \$	rederal 5	State 5
Norwich	Safety Improvements CT 82 from Maple St to Fairmount St	6,000,000	4,800,000	1,200,000
Norwalk	Complete the Rtes 15 & 7 Interchange	10,000,000	8,000,000	2,000,000
District 2	Replace Highway Illumin. At Various Locations	8,340,522	5,540,522	2,800,000
District 3	Traffic Control Signal Upgrades at Various Locations	5,200,000	4,160,000	1,040,000
Rocky Hill/ Wethersfield	CTSS Replacement CT 99	13,750,000	11,000,000	2,750,000
Essex	Replace Traffic Signal at CT 9 NB Ramps & Old Dump Rd & Install RR Devices	350,000	215,000	80,713*
District 2	Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations	4,500,000	3,600,000	900,000
District 1	Traffic Signal Safety Improvements	3,122,000	2,809,800	312,200
Clinton/ New London	Replace Highway Signs & Supports I-95	24,550,000	22,095,000	2,455,000
Colchester	RBC Program - Resurfacing, Br Rehab & Safety Improvements (B/O from 28-207)	49,100,000	39,280,000	9,820,000
Statewide	Statewide Scoping Activities	1,000,000	-	1,000,000
District 1	Traffic Signal Safety Improvements	4,370,000	3,933,000	437,000
	TOTAL	130,282,522	105,433,322	24,794,913

	Fix-It-First Road				
Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	
District 4	Traffic Signal Revisions	6,600,000	-	6,600,000	
District 1	Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations	8,315,000	-	8,315,000	
Statewide	Install Corrugated Metal Pipe Sleeving	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	
Greenwich	Pavement Resurfacing Merritt Pkwy	16,653,000	13,322,400	3,330,600	
	TOTAL	33,068,000	13,322,400	19,745,600	

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Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	
Norwich	Replace Br 00279 Carrying Lawler Lane o/ I- 395	8,700,000	-	8,700,000	
Statewide	DOT & CLE Services for Br. Prog. Oversight	4,000,000	-	4,000,000	
District 4	UHPC Beam End Repairs on Various Bridges	9,000,000	7,200,000	1,800,000	
North	UHPC Beam End Repairs on Br 02648	3,000,000	2,400,000	600,000	
Haven	Carrying US 5 o/ Quinnipiac River				
District 3	UHPC Beam End Repairs on Various Interstate Bridges I-91/I-95	10,000,000	9,000,000	1,000,000	
Hartford	Install Aesthetic Lighting on Br 00980A	6,000,000	-	6,000,000	
	(Bulkeley Br) I-84				
	TOTAL	40,700,000	18,600,000	22,100,000	

## **Fix-It-First Bridge**

## State Local Bridge

Town	Description	Total \$	State \$	Local \$
Durham	State Local Bridge Program Grant for Bridge No.	637,800	318,900	318,900
	037016, Bear Rock Road over an unnamed brook,			
Wilton	State Local Bridge Program Grant for Bridge No.	1,591,000	795,500	795,500
	161006, Musket Ridge Road over Belden Hill			
	Brook			
Various	Funding for: Reported Cost Increases by Towns	7,000,000	3,500,000	3,500,000
	Based on Latest Design Estimate and Low Bid			
	Cost Increases			
	TOTAL	9,228,800	4,614,400	4,614,400

## Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program

Description	State \$
South Central Regional Council of Governments	5,852,000
Capitol Region Council of Governments	20,631,000
TOTAL	26,483,000

## **Urban Systems Projects**

Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$
Griswold	Replace Br 07036 (Culvert) Carrying CT 138 o/ Brook	3,100,000	2,480,000	620,000
Wallingford	Rehab Br 06537 (culvert) Carrying SR 702 o/ Wharton Brook	2,500,000	2,000,000	500,000
Seymour	Pedestrian Improvements CT 313 Vicinity CT 67	625,000	500,000	125,000
Wallingford	NHS - Rehab Br 00793A Carrying CT 15 NB o/ Quinnipiac Rv	8,300,000	6,200,000	2,100,000
Various	Funding for: New PE and RW Phases/Active PE and RW Phase Cost Increases/CN Low Bid/Change Orders for Projects Awarded and In Construction	11,000,000	8,800,000	2,200,000
	TOTAL	25,525,000	19,980,000	5,545,000

	Bus and Rail Projects					
Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$		
	NHL Station Improvement Program - Stamford Design					
NHL	Additional	15,000,000	-	15,000,000		
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WTRBY	Waterbury Branch Station Improvements (Additional					
BR	Design)	9,000,000	-	9,000,000		
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BR	Waterbury Branch Station Improvements (Naugatuck)	26,000,000	20,800,000	5,200,000		
Hartford	Hentford Line Cooled Convider Design	4 500 000		4 500 000		
Line	Hartford Line Sealed Corridor Design	4,500,000	-	4,500,000		
NHL	S program/Timber Program	5,400,000	-	5,400,000		
NHL	WALK Bridge Replacement - Advance Utility	23,000,000	-	23,000,000		
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NHL	WALK Bridge Replacement (Additional Design) PE	15,000,000	-	15,000,000		
NHL	TIME 1 (Additional Design)	5,000,000	_	5,000,000		
INIL		5,000,000		5,000,000		
NHL	New Haven Line Track Program - Annual (Cyclical)	20,000,000	16,000,000	4,000,000		
Stamford	Stamford MOE Building - State of Good Repair	62,500,000	50,000,000	12,500,000		
Stamford	Stamford Yard Catenary Leads and Car Wash Facility	120,000,000	96,000,000	24,000,000		
NHL	TIME 2 - WALK Bridge Package F - Strawberry Hill Bridge	13,500,000	_	13,500,000		
NHL-		10,000,000		10,000,000		
Danbury						
Branch	Danbury Branch Drainage Program	2,500,000	-	2,500,000		
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Danbury						
Branch	Danbury Branch - Danbury Fueling Facility	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
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CT Transit	CTTransit - Misc Admin Capital/ Fac Improvements FY 24	1,200,000	800,000	400,000		
CT Transit	Statewide Bus Shelter Enhancement Program	6,250,000	5,000,000	1,250,000		
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Transit-	CT Transit Facility (Stamford - Storage Shed/Guard					
Stamford	Shack/Fencing	20,000,000	16,000,000	4,000,000		
	TOTAL	358,850,000	204,600,000	154,250,000		

## **Bus and Rail Projects**

## Pier and Ferries Infrastructure Program

Town	Description	State \$
Chester/Hadlyme	Ferry Slip Site Improvements	1,200,000
Rocky Hill/ Glastonbury	Ferry Enhancements - Lighting, Fencing etc	1,000,000
Rocky Hill/ Glastonbury/ Chester/Hadlyme	Glastonbury/ Chester/Hadlyme Ferry Improvements/Maintenance	
	TOTAL	3,236,994

	State Bridge			
Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$
Litchfield	Replace Br 02231 Carrying US 202 o/ Still Brook	4,800,000	3,840,000	960,000
Statewide	Concrete Sealer Program I-91 for NBI Bridges	3,800,000	3,040,000	760,000
Stafford	Replace Br 06198 Carrying Whisper Pines Rd o/ Stream	1,770,000	1,416,000	354,000
New Milford	Replace Br 05263 Carrying Sand Road o/ W. Aspetuck Rv	2,522,500	2,018,000	504,500
Southington	Replace Br 04560 Carrying Newell St o/ Quinnipiac River	2,987,440	2,389,952	597,488
Manchester/ Bolton	Bridge Deck Preservation of Various Bridges I-384	13,320,000	8,880,000	4,440,000
New Milford	Replace Br 05122 Carrying Van Car Rd o/ East Aspetuck River	2,955,000	2,364,000	591,000
Harwinton/ Colebrook	NBI Bridge Painting/Metalizing CT 8	30,000,000	24,000,000	6,000,000
Shelton	NHS - Rehab Br 00571A (Commodore Hull) Carrying CT 8 o/ CT 110 & Housatonic River	8,300,000	6,640,000	1,660,000
Various	Funding for: New PE and RW Phases/Active PE and RW Phase Cost Increases/CN Low Bid/Change Orders for Projects Awarded and In Construction	43,125,000	34,500,000	8,625,000
	TOTAL	113,579,940	89,087,952	24,491,988

Item #10 Department of Housing: Time to Own Program (\$15,000,000 in new GO bonds)

\$15 million is requested for a seventh allocation for the Time to Own (TTO) program, DOH's forgivable loan down payment assistance program administered by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) for first-time home buyers in conjunction with a CHFA first mortgage.

According to CHFA's website as of June 3, 2024, there is \$3,379,758 in previously allocated program funding available for new loan reservations. Since the December 15, 2023, meeting of the State Bond Commission, approximately \$39 million has been reserved.<sup>2</sup>

The program launched in June 2022 and has already been allocated \$140 million in state bond funds through the Housing Trust Fund, Affordable Housing (FLEX) program, and most recently the specific "Time to Own" program, all under DOH. This request would bring the total program funding allocation to \$155 million.

TTO provides eligible first-time home buyers a 0% interest rate loan with no monthly payments to fund up to 25% of the cost of the home, up to \$50,000 in high opportunity areas of the state. On the anniversary date of the loan closing, 10% of the principal balance is forgiven annually, until the loan is fully forgiven on the tenth anniversary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup><u>https://www.chfa.org/homebuyers-homeowners/homebuyers/time-to-own-down-payment-assistance-program-loan/</u>

Item #11 State Department of Education: Grants-in-Aid to Regional Educational Service Centers for Capital Expenses at Interdistrict Magnet Schools (\$8,130,689 in new GO bonds)

Funding is provided for capital improvements at various magnet schools operated by four Regional Educational Service Centers (RESCs).

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

The table below shows the distribution of this funding.

Distribution of Funding to Regional Educational Service Centers					
RESC	School	Location	Amount \$		
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		
TOTAL			8,130,689		

Item #12 Capital Region Development Authority: Hartford Economic Development (\$10,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support a loan for Shelbourne Properties and Lexington Partners/Laz for the conversion of office space at 64 Pratt Street into student housing. The top four floors of the building (roughly 84,000 square feet) would be used to house over 200 students in 75-80 suites at a cost of \$50,000 per unit. The large atrium in the building will be a communal space for students. Students would also have access to a meal plan utilizing the new cafeteria in the Hartford Times Building. While the loan will be made to the developer, it is anticipated that having UConn as the tenant will help with the underwriting of the project.

The funds will initially support a construction loan that will convert to a permanent note after refinancing in year three. The note will be reduced from proceeds of the refinancing with the remainder to serve as a 20-year loan, 30-year amortization at 3% interest. The loan would terminate in year 20 unless there is an extension of the University of Connecticut lease and can be extended up to 10 years.



Source: Prattst.com

**Item #13** Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Alternations, Renovations, Improvements, and Repairs to Connecticut Police Officer Standards Training Council Buildings and Grounds (\$1,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funds will be used to renovate the Connecticut State Police & Police Officers Standards and Training Academy at 285 Preston Avenue in Meriden. Renovations will address auditorium seating, lighting, and other repairs necessary around the facility.

Items #14, 20, & 53 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (\$4,000,000 combined in new GO bonds)

Funding is requested to complete the sprinkler system project at the Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC) in New Haven. This includes support for an underground storage tank monitoring system and increased costs to perform HVAC isolation to complete the installation of the sprinkler system.

**Items #15 & 21** Technical Education and Career System: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds Including New and Replacement Equipment (\$7,675,000 combined in new GO bonds)

This funding will support: (1) emergency and minor capital repairs, including resurfacing a basketball court at A.I. Prince, and resurfacing a track at H.H. Ellis, (2) improvements for ADA compliance system wide, (3) upgrades, repairs and replacements of equipment related to utility trucks, flooring, and lawn maintenance, (4) new program startup funding for the robotics and automation program and the criminal justice and protective services program, (5) upgrades, repairs and replacements of technology equipment and software system wide (including new Chromebooks for all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students), and (6) technology equipment and software to support CTECS daytime and evening adult education program.

Project Description	\$
IT Software / Equipment	4,000,000
Evening & Adult Education	1,250,000
Emergency & Minor Capital Repairs	1,000,000
Facilities Operations Equipment	775,000
Educational Program Equipment	500,000
Accessibility Improvements/Accommodations	150,000
TOTAL	7,675,000

**Items #16 & 23** Judicial Department: Alterations, Renovations, and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds at State-Owned and Maintained Facilities (\$4,798,010 combined in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested for various infrastructure projects primarily at courthouses across the state. Projects that the Judicial Department is hoping to focus on include: Bridgeport GA elevator modernization design, Bridgeport JD air handler replacement, Danbury Courthouse elevator modernization, Hartford Community Court boiler replacement, Manchester façade repairs and improvements, Supreme Court/State Library partial roof replacement, New Haven JD chiller replacement, New London Courthouse space planning, Norwich GA roof replacement, Rockville GA façade repairs, and Stamford generator replacement.

When emergencies occur, the Judicial Department shifts funding from less urgent projects to cover the emergent issue.

Item #17 Department of Housing: Flexible Housing Program (\$30,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The Flexible Housing Program (a.k.a. FLEX or Affordable Housing Program) is one of DOH's primary housing production programs (along with the Housing Trust Fund). It supports housing opportunities for households with incomes up to 100% area median income (AMI).

These funds are requested to finance grants-in-aid and loans for various housing projects for immediate needs in existing housing projects, including those in the state-sponsored housing portfolio (SSHP), managed by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA). In the past, projects identified by the <u>Development Engagement Process</u> (DEP) rounds have been invited to apply.

**Item #18 & 19** Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Alternations, Renovations and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds, Including Utilities (\$12,967,500 combined in new GO bonds)

Funds will be used to finance infrastructure improvements to various agency facilities, buildings, and grounds.

Specifically, \$11,967,500 of the request will be used for infrastructure improvements at the Firing Range Training Facility in Simsbury. The project will address safety concerns, including flood-resistant improvements.

## Item #20 – See Item #14

## Item #21 – See Item #15

**Item #22** Department of Correction: Alterations, Renovations, and Improvements to Existing State-owned Buildings (\$1,695,432 in new GO bonds)

Funding of \$1,695,432 is requested for the projects described below.

- *Phone upgrade system (\$660,432)* Manson Youth Institute.
- *Parking garage access control (\$150,000) New Haven CC.*
- *Recreation yard upgrades (\$85,000)* Bridgeport and Walker CI.
- *New roof study (\$50,000) –* Hartford CC.
- *Emergency funds as needed* (\$750,000) Various correctional institutes. Funding is for emergency renovations and improvements to existing DOC buildings for inmate housing, programming and staff training space, technology improvements, and various projects at various locations.

## Item #23 - See Item #16

Items #24 & 25 - See Item #9

**Item #26** Department of Economic and Community Development: Community Investment Fund (\$73,652,362 in new GO bonds and \$1,137,564 in previously allocated funds)

This funding will support the following projects through the Community Investment Fund 2030 (CIF).

These projects were selected from the Round 4 application period and announced at the <u>March 2024 board</u> <u>meeting</u>. Round 5 notice of funding availability was issued April 29<sup>th</sup> with applications due by June 21<sup>st</sup>. The CIF Board will vote on recommendations for Round 5 in September 2024.

Recipient	Description	Municipality	Amount \$
Asylum Hill	Funds will be used to complete remediation, renovate and		
Neighborhood	reactivate the historic Aetna diner, and provide a local		
Association	community meeting space.	Hartford	3,092,721
	Funds will transform the Rubber Avenue Corridor by investing in infrastructure to promote private investment		
	while enabling connectivity and increasing resiliency		
	through stormwater drainage upgrades in the Nettleton		
Borough of Naugatuck	Avenue area.	Naugatuck	5,754,493
	Funding will support the renovations and updating of		
Boys and Girls Club of	Camp Schade to be more accessible and provide a safe and		
New Britain	modern summer camp.	New Britain	250,000
	Funds will be used towards remediation of 20-acres of brownfield sites including portions of 255 and 363 Kossuth		
	Street, 83 - 153 Howe Street, and 141 – 173 Stratford Avenue,		
	and an area of land between 141 Stratford Avenue and 255		
	Kossuth Street, and establishment of sustainable waterfront		
	location through coastal resiliency and flood mitigation		
Bridgeport Economic	infrastructure. The CIF Funds will support the public	D • 1	0.000.000
Development Corp	greenspace and park aspects of the project.	Bridgeport	8,000,000
	Funds will renovate Connecticut's first synagogue at 21		
Charter Oak Cultural	Charter Oak Avenue and historic 25 Charter Oak Avenue. The Charter Oak Cultural Center City School for the Arts		
Center	will add 8 classrooms and update ADA compliance.	Hartford	6,500,000
	Funds will improve sidewalks at the intersection of Park &		
	Main St., renovate Elmwood Park		
City of Danbury	and provide for a neighborhood drainage study.	Danbury	1,325,000
	Funds will assist with the community engagement and		
	Master Planning of transformation of 20 acres of distressed		
	area into a sustainable community by outlining the project's scope, goals and design (Mount Pleasant - Myrtle Street		
City of New Britain	Corridor)	New Britain	250,000
City of New Diffullt	Funds will provide for public improvements at Howard T.	iven binuin	200,000
City of Norwich	Brown Park.	Norwich	2,000,000
	Funds will be used to renovate CLiCK's current kitchen to		
	create a processing and cold storage facility, add a second-		
	floor mezzanine space for offices and build-out a	TA7· 11	0 500 000
CLiCK	community training space.	Windham	2,799,222

Recipient	Description	Municipality	Amount \$
	Funds will build a four-season glass greenhouse on the CHCI campus. The multi-purpose greenhouse will provide opportunities for community educational programming,		
Community Health	community meeting space and growing starter trees for transplantation in partnership with the City of		
Center, Inc	Middletown and local organizations to create a tree canopy. Funds will allow Preservation CT and the Washington Park	Middletown	2,130,500
Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation	Revitalization Committee to conduct studies and perform critical renovations to seven locally and nationally significant places located within 5 city blocks. Funds will support state and national Register documentations of buildings throughout the neighborhood.	Bridgeport	5,156,141
Continuum of Care	Funding will enable Continuum of Care to purchase its two facilities at 977 Ella Grasso Boulevard and 163 Blake Street. Funds will preserve 58 units of affordable housing.	New Haven	2,750,000
Friends Center for Children	Funds will provide a planning grant for community engagement and design of the Flint Street Family Campus.	New Haven	250,000
	Funds will allow for planning towards community engagement and a feasibility study of the intersection of its work and the needs of the community in		
Haven's Harvest	the Fair Haven neighborhood (Phase 2 Planning).	New Haven	250,000
Lyman Allyn Museum	Funds will allow the museum to complete the Lyman Allyn Park, a 12-acre urban park with lighted walkways, sculpture gardens, an event stage, a water feature and green spaces.	New London	1,620,357
New Haven Museum	Funds will allow for community engagement, a Master Plan and designs for renovations and upgrades for the museum's two sites (Planning for 325 Lighthouse Road and 114 Whitney Avenue).	New Haven	350,000
Northeast Neighborhood Partners, Inc.	Funds will support the development of the Hartford Workforce Hub in the Swift Factory.	Hartford	900,000
Norwalk Housing Authority (Sound Communities, Inc.)	Funds will support replacement of 54 units of obsolete affordable housing with 55 modern, energy efficient, affordable housing units and amenities.	Norwalk	3,444,751
Norwalk Redevelopment Agency	Funds will make significant capital improvements to public infrastructure to support pedestrian infrastructure and align with completed mobility study.	Norwalk	3,000,000
Overlook Development Corporation	Funds will provide pre-development, site improvements and infrastructure for connectivity of the streets, utilities and sidewalks for Willow Creek.	Hartford	5,527,250
Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc.	CIF will fund predevelopment for a new building resulting in an expansion of childcare	Groton	2,000,000
Town of Bloomfield	Funds will be used for improvements at Rockwell Park.	Bloomfield	4,000,000
Town of Hamden	Funds will support 64 new affordable housing units, a Community Hub facility, and pedestrian and streetscape improvements around 2980 State Street.	Hamden	8,689,491

Recipient	Description	Municipality	Amount \$
	Funds will be used to build a modern, accessible, downtown		
	library surrounded by Complete Streets enhancements to		
Town of Manchester	safety. <sup>1</sup>	Manchester	2,862,436
	Funds will support community engagement and the creation		
Town of Mansfield	of a Master Plan for the town's municipal facilities.	Mansfield	250,000
	Funds will support community engagement and a town-		
	wide planning study for the Parks and Recreation		
Town of Plainfield	Department.	Plainfield	250,000
	Funds will assist in community engagement and identifying		
	a site in West Haven for the university's proposed dental		
University of New Haven	and healthcare clinic.	West Haven	250,000
		Total	73,652,362

In addition, \$1,137,564 in previously allocated funds are requested in order to incorporate technical changes to the projects as noted below.

Recipient	Original Round	Description of Change	Municipality	Amount
		Funds for the Upper Albany Neighborhood Revitalization Zone towards the potential development of parcels on Homestead Ave. The CIF Board voted to reduce this grant from the original \$1 million to \$500,000 to reflect updates to the		
City of Hartford	Round 1	project.	Hartford	500,000
		Funds will be used to build a modern, accessible, downtown library surrounded by Complete Streets		
Town of Manchester	Round 4	enhancements to safety. <sup>1</sup>	Manchester	637,564
			Total	1,137,564

<sup>1</sup> The total award for this project is \$3.5 million, split between new G.O Bonds (\$2,862,436) and previously allocated funds (\$637,564)

*Background.* The Community Investment Fund 2030 (CIF) fosters economic development in historically underserved communities across the state. CIF may provide a total of up to \$875 million over five years to eligible municipalities as well as not-for-profit organizations and community development corporations that operate within them. Per CGS 32-285a, the CIF Board may award a maximum of \$175 million across two or more application periods per fiscal year. The State Bond Commission must consider action on eligible projects no later than two months after the CIF Board provides its recommendations to the Governor.

**Item #27** Judicial Department: Sound Amplification Equipment in Court and Hearing Rooms (\$800,000 in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested to upgrade and install sound amplification equipment in approximately 300 court and hearing rooms at statewide facilities. This project allows more courtrooms to become Hybrid Video Conference capable.

Previous allocations of \$500,000 total were used to complete over 100 upgrades.

Items #28 & 29 Department of Housing: Down Payment Assistance Program (\$9,000,000 combined in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested to further capitalize CHFA's down payment and/or closing cost assistance for households with incomes up to 120% of the area median income (AMI). The program allows borrowers who finance through CHFA for a mortgage to finance up to 4% of the home's value for closing costs or down payment assistance, up to a maximum of \$15,000.

\$1 million will be set aside for the Mortgage Assistance Program for certain teachers.

In the past, the down payment assistance program has been financed primarily through CHFA's resources. Prior to this meeting, there was a \$12 million allocation from DOH's Flexible Housing program to recapitalize the down payment assistance program in July 2018. Market changes and the introduction of the forgivable loan program Time to Own have meant these standalone funds have not previously been necessary since they were authorized in March 2020.

**Item #30** Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: School Security Infrastructure Competitive Grant Program (\$5,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funds for the School Security Infrastructure Competitive Grant program are used to reimburse for various security infrastructure developments and improvements at schools, center, or preschools based on a security assessment. Eligible projects include replacement or enhancements to doors and windows, access control systems, perimeter security (such as fencing, lighting, bollards, etc.), interior and/or exterior camera systems and panic alarm systems.

Including this request, \$87 million has been allocated from this program for school security capital improvements, with an additional \$20 million of bonds authorized under current law. This total does not include funding provided from other sources, most notably it excludes school security projects that are part of broader school construction projects.

Item #31 Office of Policy and Management: Body-Worn Recording Equipment (\$541,332 in new GO bonds)

Funds will be used to reimburse five police departments for the purchase of body worn/dashboard recording equipment, along with some data storage costs and other recording technology. The police departments are:

- 1. Stamford \$236,880
- 2. Westport \$146,817
- 3. New Britain \$131,260
- 4. Naugatuck \$15,047
- 5. Lebanon \$11,328

To date, more than \$20 million has been authorized for the program. Including this request, more than \$14 million has been allocated for the program since the start of 2017.

**Items #32, 43, 44, & 47** Department of Administrative Services: Infrastructure Repairs and Improvements at State-owned Buildings. (\$7,064,905 combined in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested to finance alterations, renovations, and improvements at various state facilities. These funds will be used to address statewide security improvements, energy conservation, and building renovations as indicated below.

Item #	Project	Location	Amount \$
32	<b>Building Consolidation</b>	450 Columbus Blvd - Hartford	1,740,805
32	DEEP Canopy	79 Elm St - Hartford	831,500
32	Cedarcrest Abatement	Newington	450,000
32	Renovation	55 Main St - Waterbury	427,600
32	Waste Pipe Repair	West Springfield	150,000
32	Garage	55 Farmington	1,465,000
43	ADA Compliance	Various State Facilities	500,000
44	Various Projects	Various State Facilities	516,662
47	Various Projects	Various State Facilities	983,338
TOTAL			7,064,905

**Items #33, 38, & 45** Department of Developmental Services: Fire, Safety, and Environmental Improvements (\$3,000,000 combined in new GO bonds)

Funds in the amount of \$2.5 million are requested for general upkeep and renovations as needed including replacement of windows, doors, flooring, decks, awnings, roofs, waterproofing systems for basements, exterior envelope repairs, and driveway repairs. Upgrades to electrical, plumbing, HVAC and security and fire safety systems. Funding will also be used to correct code, licensing, OSHA, ADA, DPH and fire and life safety citations.

Additionally, funds in the amount of \$500,000 are requested for emergency repairs and replacements that unexpectedly arise at any of the DDS locations across the state.

**Items #34, 46, & 48** Department of Children and Families: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds (\$7,724,261 combined in new GO bonds)

To finance the replacement of a chiller unit, repairs to the roof, and emergency repairs as necessary at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center – South Campus in Middletown, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) requests \$7,724,261 in new GO bonds.



Albert J. Solnit Children's Center – South Campus

## Background

On 12/15/23, DCF was approved for \$515,900 in bond funds to finance the removal of a 31-year-old underground oil tank (to be replaced with an above-ground oil tank) at Solnit South (\$190,000) and emergency renovations and minor improvements at other facilities as needed (\$325,900). Minor capital or emergency projects may include transformer replacement and leak repair.

## Background on the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center - South Campus

Solnit South is a state-administered psychiatric facility for Connecticut children and adolescents under the age of 18 with severe mental illness and related behavioral and emotional problems that cannot be safely assessed or treated in a less restrictive setting. It is comprised of four coed hospital units and two female adolescent psychiatric residential treatment facility cottages.

**Items #35 & 40** Capital Region Development Authority: East Hartford Economic Development (\$4,500,000 combined in new GO bonds)

This funding will finance the abatement and demolition the of former McCartin Elementary School in East Hartford as well as for the construction of certain site improvements, including roadways and utilities, required for residential development. Following completion of that work, East Hartford will issue a request for proposal (RFP) for a housing developer to construct at least 16 single family houses on the site.

CRDA previously granted \$1 million to East Hartford for the demolition of various blighted properties, a portion of which was used for a hazardous building materials survey and demo design at the school.

Item #36 Military Department: Acquisition of Property for Development of Readiness Centers (\$2,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The request is for funding of \$2 million which will be used to finance the acquisition of property adjacent to Stones Ranch Military Reservation in East Lyme. The property is approximately 130 acres and is undeveloped. The additional space will be used to expand the available training area for members of the Connecticut National Guard which includes the long-range development plans of constructing a readiness center.

**Item #37** Capital Region Development Authority: Infrastructure and Renovation Improvements to the Front Street District in Hartford (\$2,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support infrastructure repairs and improvements, including sidewalk, crosswalk and lighting repairs, and ADA compliance and safety improvements to the Front Street District in Hartford.

## Items #38 – See Item #33

Item #39 Judicial Department: Implementation of Technology Strategic Plan (\$1,500,000 in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested for various technology products. The Judicial Department is currently conducting an assessment to determine current and future network demands; this assessment will determine what areas (infrastructure and network cloud modernization, data storage, legacy system replacements, network security, etc.) require investments and upgrades.

Funds will also be utilized to replace critical network hardware at many remote sites, restock inventory of network switches and other devices, and for cybersecurity measures.

#### Items #40 - See Item #35

Item #41 State Library: Grants-in-Aid to Public Libraries (\$3,048,046 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support the state portion of various library projects described below:

Library	Project	Total Estimated Cost (\$)	State Cost (\$)
	Expansion: New multifunction, conference, and		
Wolcott Public	storage rooms, and elevator	3,276,500	1,638,250
	Expansion (2,000 square foot addition): Lounge/café space, meeting and activity		
Pomfret Public	rooms, restrooms, and equipment	2,022,594	1,011,297
North Haven Memorial	Space reconfigurations, teen department equipment and furniture, new study space, various renovations, new generator	499,999	249,999
Licia & Mason Beekley Community (New			
Hartford)	Automate interior doors	211,000	105,500
Hagaman Memorial (East Haven)	Replace cooling system	86,000	43,000
TOTAL		6,096,093	3,048,046

Items #42 – See Item #9

Items #43 & 44- See Item #32

Items #45 – See Item #33

Item #46 – See Item #34

Items #47- See Item #32

Item #48 - See Item #34

**Items #49, 52 & 54** Capital Region Development Authority: Hartford Economic Development (\$3,525,000 combined in new GO bonds)

This funding will support a loan to Spectra Construction and Development to assist with the acquisition and conversion of a class B office/commercial building at 30 Laurel Street in Hartford, located within the CRDA district along the edge of the Parkville neighborhood. The project will result in 47 market rate residential units, including 12 studios, 27 1BR and 8 2BR.

Total project costs are estimated at \$9.8 million. The per unit cost is estimated to be approximately \$205,000. This project will also put the building back on the city tax rolls as it is currently owned by a non-profit entity.

Items #50 & 51 - See Item #9

Item #52 – See Item #49

Item #53 - See Item #14

Item #54 - See Item #49

**Item #55** Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Flood Control Improvements (\$187,500 in previously allocated GO bonds)

This reallocation will be used as matching funds for \$562,500 that is being provided by the USDA's Emergency Watershed Protection Program to the Town of Portland for flooding mitigation in the Jobs Pond area. Approximately 19 homes have been experiencing flooding from rising water levels. The funding will provide for pump installation so the excess groundwater will flow into the Connecticut River instead of the pond.

These funds are left over from flood control projects that were allocated funds in April 2012.

Item #56 Department of Housing: Housing Trust Fund (\$50,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The Housing Trust Fund is one of the two primary bonding programs used by the Department of Housing (DOH) to finance the rehabilitation of and creation of affordable housing units in the state. Funding of \$50 million is requested for a newer housing program - <u>Build for CT</u>. Build for CT is administered by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) on behalf of DOH.

With the \$50 million authorized in October 2023, CHFA has entered into an agreement to build a 420- unit mixed use project in Bridgeport at <u>Steelpointe Harbor</u>.

**Item #57** Department of Economic and Community Development: Manufacturing Assistance Act (\$7,761,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support a grant-in-aid to the United States Navy to finance infrastructure improvements at the United States Navy Submarine Base-New London (SUBASE), located in Groton, for the Port Services Floating Piers Replacement and Boat Ramp reconstruction projects. These projects directly support submarine operations, will improve working conditions for Navy personnel, and will improve the Navy's response to regional HAZMAT spills in surrounding communities.

The Port Services Floating Piers Replacement Project (\$5,690,000) replaces inadequate, failing, and unsafe small craft piers with state-of-the-art infrastructure. Because of these substandard piers, the Port Operations Department must keep several vessels parked on their trailers out of the water, delaying the ability to respond to emergencies within SUBASE and along the Thames River. The project will provide new utility services, a wider and safer working environment for sailors, and will enable the SUBASE to keep more vessels in the water compared to today due to actively failing port services piers.

The Waterfront Boat Ramp Reconstruction Project (\$2,071,000) replaces a deteriorating, undersized, and space constrained boat ramp with a new, wider, and purposely oriented ramp. Routine boat launching is challenging for SUBASE operations personnel to safely maneuver tractors with large trailers and heavy vessels. This risk is amplified during emergency response. The new ramp will allow truckdrivers to safely launch and recover large, trailered vessels.

Item #58 Office of Policy and Management: Local Capital Improvement Fund (LoCIP) (\$30,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This allocation is to provide financing for the cash flow needed to fund prior LoCIP commitments to municipalities. Municipalities use this grant to reimburse the cost of a variety of capital projects, such as road and bridge repair and construction, building renovation, water and sewer system repair, etc. Funding is distributed based on road mileage, population density, and equalized net grand list.

## Background

Beginning in FY 24, OPM is required to annually distribute the LoCIP grant amount to municipalities by June 30 each fiscal year. Municipalities must report uses of LoCIP funds to OPM on a regular basis. Funding may be banked from year to year but remains within municipalities' accounts prior to being spent.

Prior to FY 24, funds were declared available to municipalities on March 1 each year. To access funds, municipalities were required to (1) request project authorization from OPM, and (2) submit an expenditure reimbursement request to OPM to receive LoCIP funds. Municipalities could choose to bank or roll over funds from year to year, often waiting until enough funds were available for specific projects. Bond funds for the LoCIP program were allocated on a cash-flow need basis – unused funds remained available to municipalities but were generally not allocated by bond commission until reimbursements were sought and approved.

OPM is required to continue to pay out entitlements to municipalities that existed prior to FY 24. As of May 2024, approximately \$38 million of municipal funds remained available through the pre-FY 24 entitlement program.<sup>3</sup>

Item #59 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Clean Water Fund (\$275,000,000 in CWF revenue bonds)

These revenue bonds are non-general obligation bonds that are linked to the revenues derived from loan repayment, along with federal funds. These bonds support the Clean Water Fund (CWF) low-interest loan program for wastewater projects and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; this allocation is for the wastewater program. New revenue bonds were last issued in 2019. As of FY 23, the CWF program alone had approximately \$1.5 billion of outstanding loan commitments to communities throughout the state.<sup>4</sup> Projects are selected based on the priority list developed by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, which is expected to be finalized by June 30.<sup>5</sup>

**Item #60** Office of Policy and Management: Urban Act (\$66,978,933 in new GO bonds and \$5,861,768 in previously allocated GO bonds)

The program finances various projects throughout the state. See the appendix for a table of allocations on this agenda.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://portal.ct.gov/opm/igpp/grants/locip/locip-entitlement</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> <u>https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/OTT/Debt-Management/092823CleanWaterFundAnnualReport.pdf</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> <u>https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/deep/water/municipal\_wastewater/fy24-25-draft-priority-list.pdf</u>

**Item #61** State Department of Education: Grants to Charter Schools for Capital Expenses (\$2,944,438 in new GO bonds)

Funding is provided to five charter schools, distributed according to the table below.

This funding will be used for debt repayment at Amistad Academy, Elm City College Prep, Achievement First Bridgeport Academy Middle School, and Odyssey Community School. Funding for Side by Side Charter School will be used for electrical and air conditioning upgrades, staff room renovations, exterior door replacement, and flooring.

Charter School	Location	Amount \$
Amistad Academy	New Haven	850,000
Elm City College Prep	New Haven	850,000
Achievement First Bridgeport Academy Middle School	Bridgeport	850,000
Odyssey Community School	Manchester	125,516
Side by Side Charter School	Norwalk	268,922
TOTAL		2,944,438

#### **Distribution of Funding to Charter Schools**

<b>Appendix - Urban Act Allocations</b>	
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Item	Admin. Agency	Recipient	Purpose/Notes	Amount \$
		Oakville Veterans of		
		Foreign Wars		
I.A	DECD	Post 7730	For parking lot improvements	789,000
I.B	DECD	Town of Fairfield	To replace storm damaged town pier	1,073,778
I.C	DECD	Town of Plainville	To restore sidewalks	250,000
I.D	DECD	Town of Cromwell	For softball field lighting at the Cromwell High School	231,000
I.E	DECD	Town of Killingworth	For the Town Hall empty building conversion	300,000
I.F	DECD	Town of North Haven	For upgrades to the DeMayo Athletic complex	500,000
I.G	DECD	Town of Stratford	For bus stop refurbishments and reinstallation of the town clock	300,000
I.H	DECD	Town of Trumbull	For little league field upgrades	766,000
I.I	DECD	Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation	For the metal finishing program	300,000
I.J	DECD	Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury	For headquarters project	1,500,000
I.K	DECD	Veteran's Memorial Clubhouse	For capital improvements	500,000
I.L	DECD	Town of Ansonia	For the demolition of the Ansonia Copper and Brass building	3,500,000
I.M	DECD	Music Theater of Connecticut	For renovations and expansion	300,000
I.N	DECD	Mattatuck Museum	For HVAC upgrades	1,100,000
		Middletown Chamber of		
I.O	DECD	Commerce	For renovations and capital improvements	3,285,000
		Community Resources for Justice for the Family		
I.P	DECD	Reentry Center of New Haven	For facility updates and improvements	350,000

Item	Admin. Agency	Recipient	Purpose/Notes	Amount \$
I.Q	DECD	Goodwill of New Haven	For a glass pulverizer	142,000
I.R	DECD	Montville Animal Shelter	For capital improvements	2,000,000
I.S	DECD	Town of Lisbon	For brownfield remediation of an old gas station	700,000
I.T	DECD	Christian Community Action, Inc.	For renovations to the ARISA Center	900,000
I.U	DECD	Floyd Little Athletic Center	For alterations and improvements	8,769,517
I.V	DECD	City of New Haven	For alterations and improvements to the Adult Education Building at 188 Bassett Street	7,500,000
I.W	DECD	Justice Education Center, Inc.	To purchase the Almada Lodge Times Farm Camp, formally known as the Channel 3 Kids Camp	3,500,000
I.X	DECD	City of West Haven	To relocate and make improvements to the West Haven Senior Center	1,000,000
		United Way of Southeastern		
I.Y	DECD	Connecticut	For capital improvements to its food center	1,455,456
I.Z	DECD	The Open Hearth	For a bathroom renovation project	600,000
I.AA	DECD	Hartford Gay and Lesbian Health Collective	To move to a new location in Hartford In the July 23, 2021 meeting of the State Bond Commission, funds were	700,000
I.AB	DECD	Carver Foundation	allocated to the City of Norwalk for the Carver Foundation to complete interior and exterior renovations to the George Washington Carver Community Center in Norwalk. The purpose of this request is to change the recipient to the Carver Foundation in Norwalk.	1,261,768
II.A	DESPP	Town of Woodstock	For the Volunteer Fire Department Exhaust System	225,000
II.B	DESPP	Town of Granby	For a first responder emergency communications replacement system and equipment	2,000,000
II.C	DESPP	North Central Connecticut EMS Council	For communications systems	400,000
II.D	DESPP	Town of Cheshire	For improvements to Miracle Fields in Bartlem Park	750,000
II.E	DESPP	Town of East Windsor	For the North Central CT Police and Public Safety Infrastructure project	8,000,000
		Newtown Forest		
III.A	DOT	Association	For the Holcombe Hill Road restoration	20,000
III.B	DOT	Town of Shelton	To support road alterations and improvements to Constitution Boulevard	1,600,000
III.C	DOT	Town of Willington	For Schofield Road and Village Hill Road improvements	2,000,000
III.D	DOT	City of Stamford	For pedestrian improvements and food truck parking near the Government Center	3,000,000
			In the December 15, 2023 meeting of the State Bond Commission, funds were allocated to the City of New Haven for downtown mobility improvements in the vicinity of the New Haven Green, including the Temple Street woonerf, streetscaping along Chapel Street, converting Chapel Street to two-way traffic, and raised intersections.	
III.E	DOT	City of New Haven	The purpose of this request is to change the use of previously allocated funds to a grant-in-aid to the City of New Haven for downtown mobility and amenity improvements in the vicinity of the New Haven	4,600,000

Item	Admin. Agency	Recipient	Purpose/Notes	Amount \$
			Green, including the Temple Street woonerf, streetscaping along Chapel Street, converting Chapel Street to two-way traffic, infrastructure and amenity improvements on the Green, and raised intersections	
IV.A	DEEP	Town of Watertown	For Steel Brook Greenway improvements	241,132
V.B	DEEP	Windham-Tolland 4H Camp	For emergency dam repairs	1,000,000
VI.C	DEEP	Farmington Land Trust	For the Wilcox-Bushley Environmental Learning Center	250,000
VI.D	DEEP	Town of Naugatuck	For improvements to Osborne Field	1,856,050
VI.E	DEEP	Town of Glastonbury	For renovations and improvements to Addison Park	325,000
		To the Shelbourne Properties and Lex/Laz, or an acceptable single		
VII.A	CRDA	purpose entity	For University of Connecticut Downtown Student Housing in Hartford	3,000,000