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 Rentschler Field	4	1,600,000
Grant-in-aid for the purpose of encouraging development as provided in CGS		1,000,000
Sec. 32-602	10, 17	45,000,000
Alterations, renovations and improvements at the XL Center in Hartford	5, 25, 26	73,000,000
Department of Administrative Services		
School building projects - Principal and current payments	39	250,000,000
Alterations, renovations and improvements to the Connecticut Building at the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Massachusetts,	18	1,000,000
Reimbursement for environmental remediation at the former Long Lane School in Middletown	2	14,100,000
Infrastructure repairs and improvements, including fire, safety and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act improvements, improvements to state- owned buildings and grounds	28 & 29	3,018,590
Department of Children and Families		
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	36	515,000
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	7	1,687,000
Department of Developmental Services		
Departmental facilities - Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, including intermediate care facilities and site improvements, handicapped access	21	1,500,000
Department of Economic and Community Development		
Brownfield remediation and revitalization program projects	11	35,000,000
Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund established by section 32-70 of the general statutes	12	15,000,000
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection		
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities	20	8,000,000
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection		
Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal sites	19, 30, 37	7,500,000
Grants-in-aid for identification, investigation, containment, removal or mitigation of contaminated industrial sites in urban areas	22	4,000,000
Department of Housing		
Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund	38	25,000,000
Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services		
Fire, safety, and environmental improvements including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, repair and replacement of		
roofs and other exterior and interior building renovations and demolition	6	12,260,000

Department of Veterans' Affairs		
	31, 32,	
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	34, 35	2,499,897
Legislative Management		
Alterations, renovations and restoration of the State Capitol and Legislative		
Office Building, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance with		
the Americans with Disabilities Act	1	13,000,000
Office of Early Childhood		
Grants-in-aid for constructing, improving or equipping childcare centers,		
including, but not limited to, payment of associated costs for architectural,		
engineering or demolition services related to the infant and toddler pilot program	9, 16	10,000,000
Office of Policy and Management		
Distressed Municipalities	8	7,000,000
Transit-oriented development and predevelopment activities	3	2,000,000
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	27	2,153,265
Municipal Redevelopment Authority		
For the purpose of capitalization	15	1,000,000
Total New GO Allocations		535,833,752

Special Tax Obligation (STO) Bonds	Item #	New Allocation \$
Department of Transportation		
Capital resurfacing and related reconstruction	13	1,000,000
Department facilities	13	60,590,000
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges	13	36,700,000
Urban Systems Projects	13	6,676,000
Community Connectivity and alternative mobility program	13	15,000,000
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's roads	13, 14	86,220,000
State bridge improvement, rehabilitation, and replacement projects	13, 14	16,540,000
Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program	13, 24	48,135,500
Environmental compliance	14	8,050,000
Highway and bridge renewal equipment	14	22,513,000
Intrastate Highway Programs	14	18,836,200
For the purchase and installation of advanced wrong way driving technology	14	20,000,000
Northeast Corridor (NEC) Modernization Match Program	14	203,188,000
Grants for commercial rail freight lines	14	10,000,000
Local Bridge Program	23	1,576,733
Let's Go Connecticut infrastructure improvement program	33	20,000,000
Total New STO Allocation	15	575,025,433

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 25 \$	FY 24 \$
Allocations Effective July 1	132,321,428	118,671,428
August Agenda (Current Agenda)	535,833,752	-
October Agenda	-	540,755,101
December Agenda	-	765,745,289
June Agenda	-	519,690,210
FY Total Through August	668,155,180	118,671,428
FY Total	668,155,180	1,944,862,028
Allocation Cap	2,515,000,000	2,400,000,000
Allocation Remaining Under FY Cap	1,846,844,820	455,137,972

# Special Tax Obligation (STO) Transportation Bonds

Total New STO Bond Allocations by Month	FY 25 \$	FY 24 \$
August Agenda (Current Agenda)	575,025,433	-
October Agenda	-	1,122,359,829
December Agenda	-	153,519,750
June Agenda	-	337,117,335

FY Total Through August	575,025,433	-
FY Total	575,025,433	1,612,996,914

# II. Agenda Items

**Item #1** Office of Legislative Management: Alterations, Renovations and Restoration of the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building (\$13,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funding is requested for the modernization of the elevators, escalators, and travelators in the Legislative Office Building (LOB) and the State Capitol. The elevators, escalators, and travelators are in continuous need of repair and the parts are becoming difficult to find. These have never been replaced in the LOB and have been in use since the building opened in 1988.

**Item #2** Department of Administrative Services: Environmental Remediation at the Former Long Lane School in Middletown. (\$14,100,000 in new GO bonds)

These funds are requested to reimburse Wesleyan University for the environmental remediation of the former Long Lane School in Middletown. Public Act 99-26 requires that the state "shall reimburse Wesleyan University for: (A) All necessary costs of environmental site assessments of said parcels, including laboratory charges; (B) all necessary costs of such remediation as may be required for said parcels to meet said remediation standards; and (C) all reasonable costs incurred by Wesleyan University for removal of above-ground storage tanks and all appurtenant facilities on said parcels, including removal of any contamination resulting from such tanks, abatement and removal of asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls including, but not limited to, any polychlorinated biphenyl-containing lighting ballasts, and lead-based paint, the remediation of all waste storage areas and any and all material, substance or waste identified under any federal or state law, regulation or ordinance as being a hazardous substance, toxic substance, hazardous material, hazardous waste or any other regulated substance, material or waste in connection with the demolition of the Long Lane buildings."

The Department of Administrative Services will be working in conjunction with Wesleyan University on this project.

**Item #3** Office of Policy and Management: Grants-In-Aid for Transit-Oriented Development Projects (\$2,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funding is requested for competitive grants to municipalities for transit-oriented development projects. Grants range from \$200,000 to \$2,000,000 for shovel-ready capital projects located within one-half (1/2) mile of existing public transportation facilities. Eligible activities include: 1) New construction, expansion, renovation, or replacement of an existing facility or facilities; 2) Site improvements to support an eligible capital project; 3) Upgrades or improvements to existing public infrastructure to support an eligible capital project; and 4) Land Acquisition in support of an eligible capital project.

**Item #4** Capital Region Development Authority: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center (\$1,600,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will finance the repair of exterior elevators and other miscellaneous repairs at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford.

Since 2018, the State Bond Commission allocated \$7.2 million to the Convention Center for various repairs and minor capital projects, including \$2 million at the June 2024 meeting for repair of water damage to the riverfront esplanade and other miscellaneous repairs.

# Items #5, 10, 17, 25 & 26 Capital Region Development Authority: XL Center (\$118,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support various renovations at the XL Center. State bond allocations will support \$125 million of the total, including \$118 million on today's agenda, \$7 million from a previous allocation (4/6/23 SBC meeting) for design and bid work, and \$20 million from the facility manager, Oak View Group (OVG), per the facility management agreement summary.

The general scope of the construction includes the following projects. Additional information on the project can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Project	Description
	Event Level Club including VIP Lobby, Full-Service Kitchen,
New Event Level Club & Suites (excl. Loges)	private dining room, (5) Bunker Suites and associated corridors
	Construct Rack Room and interconnect panels for relocation of
AV Infrastructure	Broadcast Truck systems
	Painting (incl L71), digital signage, AV menu boards including
	associated electrical and HVAC relocations, upgraded finish on
Main Concourse - Level 61	concession stands
	Furnish and install new switchgear including temporary power
Switchgear	during the removal and installation of the new gear
	Provide new 1000kW generator at the top of the exit ramp,
Companya	including architectural, fire protection and HVAC upgrades and
Generator	removal of the existing 500kW generator
Rigging - Bid - Enhanced Option B	Structural steel improvement to enhance theatrical rigging functions
Rigging - Did - Ennanced Option D	Structural work and seating associated with the state relocation.
	New wider fixed seating, new retractable seating, creation of loge
Arena Bowl	boxes
	UConn Locker Room, Wolf Pack Locker Room, Artist Lounge, Star
	Dressing Room, Multipurpose Room, Changing Room and Break
Event Production/Performer Team Areas	Rooms.
	Lee McGinley Elevator replacement and shaft extension (will serve
	ALL levels - access to suites and clubs at 118). Exhibition elevator
	replacement and associated shaft work upgrade. Shipping and
	Receiving replacement elevator and associated shaft work
	upgrade. Replacement of two escalators in VIP Lobby 1301 to
Vertical Transportation	service new event level club.
	Replace existing main room with 60 mil - TPO membrane/20yr
	NDL including increased insulation to meet current energy code,
	temp. access to roof, plumbing and HVAC costs flashing of
Roof	existing room top equipment. Perimeter roofs to be replace per Gale Report including all associated roof flashing/copings.
ALTERNATES:	Sure report including an associated roor hashing/ copiligs.
Deduct: Retain level 61 Fan club Bars	
Add: Replace Upper Bowl ACT, Paint Grid and Replace Lighting	
Add: CRAC unit cooling in transformer room	
in Quad C of Levels 31 and 48	

*Background:* The XL Center, formerly known as the Hartford Civic Center, is a multi-purpose arena and convention center located in downtown Hartford. It is owned by the City of Hartford and leased and managed by the Capital Regional Development Authority. It is actively operated by OVG. Since 2013 the State Bond Commission allocated \$78.45 million towards the XL Center to support other various capital improvement projects including: electrical, mechanical and plumbing upgrades and replacements, concession, rest room and locker room upgrades and seating, security, technology, signage and lighting upgrades.

**Items #6** Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Fire, Safety, and Environmental Improvements to Regional Facilities for Client and Staff Needs (\$12,260,000 in new GO bonds)

Funding is requested for various infrastructure repairs and Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) facility improvements. This includes support for building and campus upgrades (\$8.4 million), funds for emergency or minor capital repairs (\$2 million), health and safety building code renovations (\$850,000), elevator repair and modernization design (\$750,000), and utility upgrades (\$310,000).

**Item #7** Department of Correction: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Existing State-Owned Buildings for Inmate Housing (\$1,687,000 in new GO Bonds)

Funding of \$1,687,000 is requested to finance a new water treatment system at Osborn Correctional Institution. Arsenic levels from water sampled from the facilities water system have recently increased, although have not exceeded allowable limits. However, between 2021 and 2022, there have been five reported exceedances from the individual raw water wells that supply the facility. Since 2022, no exceedances have been detected. The project seeks to proactively address the rising contaminant levels to ensure continued compliance with the Department of Public Health's requirements for drinking water systems.

Item #8 Office of Policy and Management: Grants-In-Aid to Distressed Municipalities (\$7,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funding is requested for the Distressed Municipalities grant program. CGS 32-9s requires the Office of Policy and Management to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the revenue loss they experience as a result of various tax exemptions on new manufacturing equipment or upgrades of manufacturing facilities. Manufacturers in distressed municipalities or enterprise zones, as designated by the Department of Economic and Community Development, are eligible to receive these exemptions. Municipalities receive this designation based on their property tax base, the personal income of residents, and the social service needs of residents.

The distribution of funding will be based on the most recent reimbursement claims filed by municipalities. Grants are prorated if funding is insufficient to make full grant payments.

**Items #9 and #16** Office of Early Childhood: Grants-in-Aid for Constructing, Improving, or Equipping Child Care Centers (\$10,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funds in the amount of \$10 million are requested to finance grants supporting construction, renovation, and upgrades to increase childcare program capacity and address infant and toddler shortage areas. The agency projects over a 24-month period to serve both licensed center-based and home-based childcare programs. The agency projects that the funds will 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

# Item #10 – See Item #5

**Item #11** Department of Economic and Community Development: Brownfield Remediation and Revitalization Program (\$35,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

This funding will support supplemental funding to the state's brownfields programs. The Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development (OBRD) recently announced <u>Round 20</u> this July with awards to be announced this November/December. This allocation will primarily support Round 20 awards. It may also potentially support Round 21 awards (expected to be announced in Jan/Feb 2025) and may potentially be used on conditional commitment on project applications from previous rounds as well.

*Background:* The Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD)provides low interest loans and grants to qualified applicants for environmental investigations and remediation activities. In FY 23, DECD awarded \$37.5 million to 27 projects across the state. From FY 14 to FY 23 the state awarded \$250.6 million in loans and grants to 270 brownfield projects.<sup>1</sup>

**Item #12** Department of Economic and Community Development: Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund (\$15,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support the recapitalization of the Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund (MIF), specifically MIF programs and initiatives such as: Manufacturing Voucher Program, Manufacturing Apprenticeship Program, CONNEX Marketplace, Faculty Fellowship Program, Incumbent Worker Training Grants, Product, Development Accelerator Grants, Manufacturing Innovation Summit, Marketing Campaign, and other programs to be selected and approved by the MIF Advisory Board.

*Background:* The Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund (MIF) provides workforce development, innovation, and development opportunities to manufacturers statewide. Assistance to eligible applicants may take the form of either grants or loans. As of June 2023, \$100 million in total state bonds were allocated to MIF and \$95.2 million of those funds have been committed to the fund's various programs.

For more information, see the 2023 MIF Annual Report.

**Items #13, 14, 23, 24 & 33** Department of Transportation: Infrastructure Program (\$575,025,433 combined in new STO bonds)

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: <u>Department of Economic and Community Development, 2023 Annual Report</u>.

Urban Systems Program					
Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	Other \$
Bridgeport	Realign @ Lafayette Cir. & Improvements on State Route 700	12,000,000	8,000,000	1,000,000	3,000,000*
Pomfret/ Putnam	Air Line Trail Reconstruction	3,130,000	2,504,000	626,000	-
Windham	Rehab Br 06729 (Built 1972) carrying US 6 o/ brook	1,000,000	800,000	200,000	-
Ellington	CT 140 Intersection Realignment & Increase Horizontal Curves	13,250,000	10,600,000	2,650,000	-
Various	New Preliminary Engineering (PE) and Rights-of-Way (RW) Phases/Active PE and RW Phase Cost Increases/ Construction (CN) Low Bid/Change Orders for Projects Awarded and in Construction	22,000,000	19,800,000	2,200,000	-
	TOTAL	51,380,000	41,704,000	6,676,000	3,000,000

\*\$2 million in LOTCIP funding and \$1 million in local funds

#### State Bridge Program

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Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	
New London	Replace Br 02572 (built in 1973) carrying US 1 over I-95 Ramp 310 & SR 641	24,500,000	19,600,000	4,900,000	
Various	New PE and RW Phases/Active PE and RW Phase Cost Increases/ CN Low Bid/Change Orders for Projects Awarded and in Construction	58,200,000	46,560,000	11,640,000	
	TOTAL	82,700,000	66,160,000	16,540,000	

# Capital Resurfacing

		Total \$
		(100%
Town	Description	State)
Statewide	Install ADA Curb Ramps and Sidewalks	1,000,000
	TOTAL	1,000,000

# **Fix-It-First Bridges**

		Total \$ (100%
Town	Description	State)
Statewide	Bridge Repair Unit (BRU) Bridge Preservation Repairs	25,000,000
Statewide	Bridge Deck Joints following 2024 Vendor- in-Place (VIP) Paving	7,500,000
Stafford	CT 190 Removal of Abandoned Arch Culvert	1,650,000
Darien	Reline Br 06821 (Culvert -Built 1955) carrying I-95 Mainline and Ramps over Drainage	2,550,000
	TOTAL	36,700,000

		Total \$ (100%
Town	Description	State)
Statewide	Replace, Retrofit, or Upgrade Obsolete or Deficient Guiderail, Impact Attenuator, or End Treatment Systems	5,000,000
Statewide	Scoping and Design of Roadways Identified in the Pavement Preservation Program	1,700,000
District 2	CT 82/CT 145 Pavement Preservation - Chip Seal	3,720,000
District 1	Pavement Preservation Various Routes - Chip Seal	5,742,000
District 3	CT 7/CT 15 Pavement Preservation - Ultra- Thin Bonded Polymer Modified Asphalt (PMA)	14,886,000
Districts 1&2	Ultra-Thin Bonded Overlay (UTBO) Pavement Preservation Treatments I-91 NB/SB Rocky Hill Wethersfield and I-95 NB/SB Old Lyme/East Lyme	13,590,000
Districts 1&2	Thin Friction Wearing Course (TFWC) Preservation Treatments Rt. 6 Windham/Chaplin, Rt. 17A Portland, Rt. 94 Glastonbury	10,772,000
Districts 3&4	TFWC Preservation Treatments Rt. 22 North Haven/North Branford, Rt. 114 Orange, Rt. 34 Oxford/ Seymour/ Derby	8,058,000
Hartford/ Windsor	I-91 Mill, Overlay, Appy UTBO Pavement Preservation Treatments MP 38.89 to 44.25	22,752,000
	TOTAL	86,220,000

# **Fix-It-First Roads**

#### Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP)

	Total \$ (100%
Description	State)
Western Connecticut Council of Governments	23,055,000
Northwest Hills Council of Governments	1,074,500
Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments	10,131,000
South Central Regional Council of Governments	11,704,000
Northeastern CT Council of Governments	921,000
CTDOT Administrative Oversight Project	1,250,000
TOTAL	48,135,500

		Total \$
Town	Description	(100% State)
Statewide	Paving at DOT Highway Building Sites	250,000
Statewide	Structure Demolitions & Replacements	50,000
Statewide	Facilities Trade Labor Project	100,000
Statewide	Renovations of Highway Buildings	550,000
Statewide	Facility Roof Designs	150,000
Statewide	Surveys for Facilities Design	150,000
Rocky Hill	Central Storage Facility Roof Replacement	540,000
Darien	Bridge Facility Roof Replacement	200,000
Westport	New Maintenance Facility	27,200,000
Avon	New Maintenance Facility	26,000,000
Wolcott	Renovation of Maintenance Facility	400,000
Active PE Phase Cost Increases/Change C   for Projects Awarded and In		5,000,000
	Construction/Unanticipated Emergency Repairs	
	TOTAL	60,590,000

# **Department Facilities**

#### Intrastate Highway Program

Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	Other \$
Norwalk	Replace Br 04152 (Built 1910) carrying West Cedar Street o/ Five Mile River	3,875,000	3,100,000	775,000	-
Glastonbury	CT 2 Rehab Brs 00384/00386 & Rt 2 EB Lane Reconfiguration	11,600,000	9,280,000	2,320,000	-
Fairfield	Road Diet US 1 from Rennell Dr. to 250' East of North/South Pine Creek Rd	1,830,000	1,647,000	183,000	-
Waterbury	I-84 Remove Exit 21 EB Off-Ramp, Extend Auxiliary Lane	21,500,000	17,200,000	4,300,000	-
Putnam	US 44 Replace Retaining Wall Near Cargill Falls Mill	10,030,000	8,024,000	2,006,000	-
Greenwich	US 1 Replace Failing Asphalt-Coated Corrugated Metal Pipe (ACCMP) b/t Old Post Rd #1 & Ferris Drive	1,660,000	1,328,000	332,000	-
Litchfield	Pavement Reconstruction Approx. 2,500 Ft of Campville Rd, from Mason Hill Rd/Smith Rd/High St Extension to Hopkins Rd	1,202,000	961,600	120,200	120,200*
Various	New PE and RW Phases/Active PE and RW Phase Cost Increases/CN Low Bid/Change Orders for Projects Awarded and In Construction	88,000,000	79,200,000	8,800,000	-
	TOTAL	139,697,000	120,740,600	18,836,200	120,200

\*Local share required under the Rural Major/Minor Collector Program.

	•	Total \$	
Town	Description	(100% State)	
	On-going Project - Use of Environmental		
	Contractors to Carry Out Field Tasks to		
Various	Prevent, Remediate, Abate, and Evaluate	1,500,000	
	Impacts to Real Property Resulting from DOT		
	Operations		
Milford	Remove/Replace Oil-water Separators at	700.000	
Milloru	Maintenance Facility	700,000	
Plainfield/	Install Tanks at Maintenance Facilities	2 100 000	
Norwich	Install Tanks at Maintenance Facilities	3,100,000	
Bolton/	Tank Replacements at Maintenance Facility &	1 750 000	
Union	Scale House	1,750,000	
Statewide	Install Tanks at Various Maintenance Facilities	500,000	
Stratford	Reconstruct Stormwater Basin	400,000	
	UConn Study Carbon Sequestration by Trees		
Statewide	and Other Vegetation along Highways and	100,000	
	Other Areas of the State		
	TOTAL	8,050,000	

### **Environmental Compliance**

#### Equipment

	Equipment	Est. Unit		
Туре	Description	Cost \$	Quantity	State \$
Snow & Ice Removal	Truck, 39,000 lb. Plow Truck Single axle Truck with 11 ft front plow	\$195,000	40	7,800,000
Snow & Ice Removal	Plow Truck 58,000 lb, Single Wing . Tandem axle truck with 12 ft front plow and 10 ft wing plow	\$247,000	14	3,458,000
Snow & Ice Removal	Plow Truck 58,000 lb, Double Wing. Tandem axle truck with 12 ft front plow, 10 ft right wing and 10 ft left wing	\$290,000	1	290,000
Snow & Ice Removal	Tow Plow, 58,000 lb Tandem axle truck with 12 ft front plow and 26 ft Tow plow	\$347,000	1	347,000
Snow & Ice Removal	Wheeled Loader, 2.5 YD, Articulating	\$190,000	20	3,800,000
General Maintenance	Truck Mounted Mechanical Street Sweepers	\$295,000	4	1,180,000
General Maintenance	Catch Basin Cleaner, 58,000 lb truck with Positive Displacement basin cleaner and high pressure jetting system	\$415,000	1	415,000
General Maintenance	50 ft. Aerial Bucket Trucks Electrical	\$274,000	2	548,000
General Maintenance	Line Painting Truck, 33,000 lb truck with pressurized line painting unit	\$425,000	1	425,000
General Maintenance	Backhoes, Tractor Mowers, Skid Steer	various		1,750,000
General Maintenance	Trucks (Mason Dump, Clam Shell, 3/4 Ton Crew, 1/2 Ton pickup, Pothole Maint. Truck, etc.)	various		2,000,000
General Maintenance	Various General Maintenance Equipment (as replacements are needed). Items in this category include chippers, compressors, road saws, and other various pieces of required equipment.	various	N/A	500,000
	TOTAL	N/A	N/A	22,513,000

Northeast Corridor (NEC) Modernization Match Program					
Town	Description	Total \$	Federal \$	State \$	
TTT	Hartford Line Rail Program:	142 500 000	100 000 000	41 500 000	
HL	Double Track (Phase 3B) (Additional)	143,500,000	102,000,000	41,500,000	
NHL	TIME 1 Contact A (Additional)	140,440,000	112,352,000	28,088,000	
NHL	TIME 1 Contract B	650,000,000	520,000,000	130,000,000	
Greenwich	Cos Cob Rail Bridge (Built 1904) Replacement	13,000,000	10,400,000	2,600,000	
Hartford	Hartford Station Relocation – Greater Hartford Mobility Study	5,000,000	4,000,000	1,000,000	
	TOTAL 951,940,000 748,752,000 203,188,000				

#### Local Bridge Program

Town	Description	Total \$	State \$	Local \$
Harwinton	Replacement of Br 65006, Valley Road over Pudding Brook	985,380	492,690	492,690
Harwinton	Replacement of Br 65007, Valley Road over an Unnamed Brook	634,684	317,342	317,342
Southbury	Replacement of Br 130013, Purchase Brook Road over Purchase Brook	1,533,402	766,701	766,701
	TOTAL	3,153,466	1,576,733	1,576,733

#### Let's Go! CT

		Total \$
Town	Description	(100% State)
Hartford	Extension of Rt. 2 to I-91 and New Bridge over CT River	20,000,000
	TOTAL	20,000,000

Full project lists are not yet final for the following programs:

• An allocation \$15 million is requested for the **Community Connectivity Grant Program** (CCGP) as part of **Item #13.** This allocation will fund the \$12 million in Round 6 municipal grant awards announced on July 16, 2024.<sup>2</sup> The remaining \$3 million will support other DOT priorities (consistent with the authorization language) that have not yet been finalized.

CCGP is a competitive grant program (open to all 169 municipalities) that provides funding for projects and initiatives that make community centers across the state more bikeable, walkable, safe and livable. Prior to the development of CCGP, these types of grants were provided under the Urban Bikeway, Pedestrian Connectivity, Trails and Alternative Mobility program funded under the Let's Go CT fiveyear ramp-up authorization that ended in FY 20. To date, DOT has made six rounds of funding awards for 138 projects totaling \$62 million.

• An allocation of \$20 million is requested for **Wrong-way Driving Countermeasures**, as part of **Item #14**, to allow the agency to work towards the goal of at least 100 operational locations by January 1, 2025. This allocation represents the full \$20 million authorized for the program for FY 25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://portal.ct.gov/governor/news/press-releases/2024/07-2024/governor-lamont-announces-state-grants-to-improve-transportation-infrastructure-in-17-towns?language=en\_US</u>

• An allocation of \$10 million is requested for **Grants for Commercial Rail Lines** as part of **Item #14.** DOT anticipates it will issue a solicitation for these grants by the end of CY 24 with awards expected in mid- CY 25.

#### Item #14 – See Item #13

Item #15 Municipal Redevelopment Authority: Capitalization (\$1,000,000 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support the initial capitalization of the Municipal Redevelopment Authority (MRDA). The exact usage will be subject to future board action this fall, but it will generally be used for consultant services in support of MRDA's operational launch, analysis of transit area and downtown housing potential, and partner municipalities' creation of Housing Growth Zones.

*Background:* PA 19-117 created MRDA as a quasi-public agency authorized to stimulate economic development and transit-oriented development in development districts. PA 23-204 further requires municipalities that opt to collaborate with MRDA to adopt a "housing growth zone" (HGZ) before moving forward with a development district's creation. An HGZ is the area of a development district (or a larger area) in which local zoning regulations facilitate substantial new housing development.

#### Item #16 - See Item #9

#### Item #17 – See Item #5

**Items #18 and #29** Department of Administrative Services: Alterations, Renovations, and Improvements to the Connecticut Building at the Eastern States Exposition (Big E) in Springfield, Massachusetts. (\$2,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The funds are requested to finance the replacement of the roof, repair the exterior, and upgrade the electrical system at the Connecticut Building at the Big E. The project is scheduled to go out to bid in the Fall of this year.

Item	Amount \$
#18 P.A.21-111, Sec 2(c)(2)	1,000,000
#29 P.A. 17-2, JSS, Sec. 378(b)(1)	1,000,000
TOTAL	2,000,000

**Items #19, 30, & 37** Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Grants-in-aid for Containment, Removal or Mitigation of Identified Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites (\$7,500,000 combined in new GO bonds)

Funding of \$7.5 million is requested for the Durham Meadows (Durham) and Raymark (Stratford) sites. These funds will finance the state's cost share for remedial action undertaken by the federal Environmental Protection Agency at these two national priority list (NPL) Superfund sites.

The state Superfund Program provides funding to investigate and remediate hazardous waste and hazardous substance disposal sites that pose an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment; and where a responsible party is not available to perform needed and timely response actions. As part of the remedy, municipalities may receive grants to install water lines to serve areas impacted by contamination from a state Superfund site.

#### Durham Meadows - \$4.5 million

This funding is requested to continue the construction of water main extension and soil remediation. Groundwater was contaminated by the disposal of paint and degreasing wastes into lagoons and sludge drying beds, and the general operations and waste storage practices of Merriam Manufacturing Company and the Durham Manufacturing Company.

### Raymark Industries, Inc. - \$3 million

This funding is requested for the Raymark Industries site to continue remedial construction activities. Raymark was a manufacturer of automotive brakes, clutch parts, and other friction components, primarily for the automotive industry. Raymark's manufacturing waste was historically disposed of as fill on the facility, but over time this waste material was also disposed of within Stratford at a minimum of 46 residential properties, and at numerous other commercial, recreational and municipal properties. In addition, several wetland areas in close proximity to the Housatonic River were also filled in with Raymark's manufacturing waste. The contaminants in Raymark's waste primarily consisted of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), asbestos, lead, and copper; however, extensive VOC soil contamination also exists at the former Raymark facility.<sup>3</sup>

**Item #20** Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Alterations, Renovations, and Improvements (\$8,000,000 in new GO Bonds)

Funding of \$8 million is requested for the following projects:

- Underground storage tank removal/replacement (\$2 million) Troop G, Bridgeport: Funding is requested to 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) Multiple locations: Funding is requested to 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.
- Roof Replacement and Masonry Repairs (\$1 million) Troop E, Montville
- Bath/Shower Renovation (\$1 million) CSP/POST Training Academy, Meriden
- Full Load Building Generator (\$1 million CSP/POST Training Academy, Meriden

**Items #21** Department of Developmental Services: Fire, Safety, and Environmental Improvements (\$1,500,000 million in new GO bonds)

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.

Funds in the amount of \$1 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, 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Item #22** Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Grants-in-aid for Identification, Investigation, Containment, Removal or Mitigation of Contaminated Industrial Sites in Urban Areas (\$4,000,000 in new GO bonds)

Funding of \$4 million is requested to finance the demolition and remediation of the former Bristol Babcock industrial site in Waterbury, which consists of four interconnected buildings that have been deteriorating since the 1980s. The revitalization and redevelopment of the Bristol Babcock facility is part of a larger revitalization effort with the potential of supporting future employees in the area with nearby residential opportunities.

# Items #23 & 24 – See Item #13

# Items #25 & 26 - See Item #5

Item #27 State Library: Grants-in-Aid to Public Libraries (\$2,153,265 in new GO bonds)

This funding will support the state portion of two library projects:

*Hartford Public Library:* \$2 million will support the construction of a Barbour library branch standalone building. The project has a total estimated cost of \$17.5 million.

The existing Barbour library is located in an 1,850 square foot leased storefront within the Unity Plaza. The new library will be 15,000 square feet. It will include a children's room, teen lounge, computer area, technology lab, food pantry, and room for additional programming. The library will also include the NextGen Adult Learning Center.

Other funding for this project includes the City of Hartford General Fund, ARPA funding, and contributions from corporate donors.

*James Blackstone Memorial Library of Branford:* \$153,265 will support renovations to a portion of the existing library. The project has a total cost of \$306,531. The renovations will enclose an existing interior balcony and divide the space into two meeting rooms.

**Item #28** Department of Administrative Services: Infrastructure Repairs and Improvements at State-Owned Buildings. (\$2,018,590 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.

Project	Location	Amount \$
Upgrade Network Control Panels	Uncas on Thames - Norwich	116,610
Repair Electric Cables	24/38 Wolcott Rd Wethersfield	615,000
Fire Safety Compliance	Capitol Ave. Complex - Hartford	1,286,980
TOTAL		2,018,590

# Item #29 - See Item #18

#### Item #30 – See Item #19

Items #31, 32, 34 & 35 Department of Veterans' Affairs: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds (\$2,499,897 in new GO bonds)

Funding will be used to make capital renovations and improvements at facilities owned and operated by the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Projects include 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).

Item #32 – See Item #31

Item #33 – See Item #13

Item #34 – See Item #31

Item #35 - See Item #31

**Item #36** Department of Children and Families: Alterations, Renovations and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds (\$515,000 in new GO bonds)

To finance the removal and replacement of two underground oil tanks at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center – South Campus in Middletown, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) requests \$515,000 in new GO bonds.



Albert J. Solnit Children's Center - South Campus

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 and emergency renovations and minor improvements at other facilities as needed.

*Background:* 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.

Item #37 - See Item #19

Item #38 Department of Housing: Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund (\$25,000,000 in new GO bonds)

The funds are requested to capitalize the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund (CFAF), operated by the captive insurance company Connecticut Foundation Solutions Indemnity Company, Inc. (CFSIC). This request is the third \$25 million installment of the \$100 million in state GO bonds authorized by PA 21-111, the 2021 Bond Act. PA 21-111 authorized \$25 million per year for four years beginning July 1, 2022. Previously, the state authorized (under PA 17-2 JSS) and allocated \$100 million in state GO bonds across five years (2017-2021) for this purpose.

*Program Update:* Homeowners affected by pyrrhotite in their foundations were able to begin applying for financial assistance with replacing crumbling foundations starting in January 2019. To date, CFSIC has provided financial assistance for at least 959 households.<sup>4</sup> Both single-family houses and condominiums are being remediated under the program. In addition to bond funding, CFSIC receives approximately \$11 to \$12 million per year from the Healthy Homes Surcharge, a \$12 surcharge on homeowners insurance policies.

Item #39 Department of Administrative Services: School Building Projects (\$250,000,000 in new GO Bonds)

These funds are requested to finance a portion of estimated grants-in-aid for the state's reimbursement of construction costs associated with local school building projects. These projects include expansion, renovations and improvements, safety and health related projects, vocational agricultural centers and cooperative regional special educational facilities. This program also funds capital improvements to schools that are part of the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System.

School districts may submit requests for school construction grant payments for projects which have been approved legislatively, as part of school construction priority lists or similar public acts, or in certain emergency situations, such as roof repairs. The dollar amount of the bond commission request is based upon the aggregate of all open school construction projects, specific cash flows from some projects, and historical experience with the ebb and flow of grant payment requests.

<sup>4</sup>CFSIC August 2, 2024