



MCPS: Building Towards a Structurally Balanced CIP

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SubCategory	Miscellaneous Projects	Administering Agency	Public Schools
Planning Area	Countywide	Status	Planning Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
Other	17,309	-	-	17,309	-	-	-	-	9,231	8,078	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	17,309	-	-	17,309	-	-	-	-	9,231	8,078	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY23	Est FY24	Total 6 Years	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bonds	17,309	-	-	17,309	-	-	-	-	9,231	8,078	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	17,309	-	-	17,309	-	-	-	-	9,231	8,078	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 25 Approp. Request	-	Year First Appropriation	
Appropriation FY 26 Approp. Request	-	Last FY's Cost Estimate	-
Cumulative Appropriation	-		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	-		
Unencumbered Balance	-		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Structural budget pressures and frontloading of the MCPS Capital Improvement Program (CIP) continue to present challenges. The Board of Education's capital requests routinely create an unrealistic perception of when projects can be completed for parents, communities, and other stakeholders because it is not achievable within the County's fiscal constraints. Due to MCPS's practice of not requesting construction costs for projects in planning, or funding in the later years for some essential level of effort maintenance projects, no financial capacity is held for these projects in the later years of the CIP. When it comes time to fund them, there is no capacity without disrupting other approved projects in the CIP.

The Board of Education's February 2024 non-recommended reductions include a scenario that would begin to substantially address these challenges - refocusing resources on essential maintenance projects by requesting that level of effort projects are fully funded in all six years. This is in addition to the Board's December placeholder construction request to include costs for planning projects. While this scenario will require trade-offs and deferrals of some stand-alone projects, this approach increases transparency by presenting a schedule that is more affordable within existing County resources in a responsible way.

This project provides funding to make continued progress in addressing structural challenges in the MCPS capital program in future years.