

How a Half-Penny Benefits

Southside Middle

A Referendum for School Facilities and Economic Growth



The Direct Impact on the Southside Middle Community

This school greatly benefits from the referendum due to its age and large amount of needs. It includes dollars for safety, maintenance and renovation.

First and foremost, the school will use referendum dollars to improve safety and security. It means system upgrades and improvements such as new security cameras, additional fencing, and more secure entrances and exits.

Many of the maintenance items at this school have been deferred due to cutbacks from the state. With the passage of the referendum, these maintenance items can now be addressed with new funding for repairs. That means anything from playground equipment to drainage fields on school grounds. The school is eligible for roof repairs and exterior facade improvements. If the air conditioner needs repair or replacement, the funds will be there to take care of it. Some things you can't see, such as plumbing or electrical problems, will be addressed as well.

Finally, this school will receive renovation dollars based on the repair need and size of the building. This goes beyond deferred maintenance and includes items such as entire classroom rebuilds and reconfigurations to meet the needs of today's technology and style of teaching and learning.

Overall, students will have a safer, sturdier, and better functioning building in which to learn and enjoy.

School Improvements

\$14,645,568



Safety & Security Allocation

\$627,170

The safety and security allocation is calculated based on the square footage of each school site. This funding is designed to cover any site hardening such as security cameras, gates, and alert systems.



Facility Condition Improvements

\$10,882,548

The deferred maintenance allocation is calculated based on projected maintenance of each school site. This funding is designed to fix all current and projected maintenance issues over five years.



Renovations Allocation

\$3,135,850

The renovations allocation is calculated based on the square footage of each school site. This funding is designed to cover additional repairs and renovations outside of the deferred maintenance allocation such as flooring, painting, and classroom reconfigurations.

What's included in the Facility Condition Improvements?



School Grounds

Includes playgrounds, athletic fields, drainage, etc.



Roofing

Includes all roofing within the school site.



External Repairs

Includes repairs to the exterior façade of the building.



Internal Repairs

Includes repairs to the interior façade of the building.



Mechanical

Includes repairs to all mechanical systems such as AC Units.



Electrical

Includes all electrical repairs to the school site.



Plumbing

Includes all plumbing systems within the school site.



Fire Safety

Includes the life and fire safety systems within the school site.

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