

### **Resolution A Program:**

### A Guide

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## **The School Construction Authority**

#### Who We Are

The School Construction Authority's (SCA) mission is to design and construct safe, attractive and environmentally sound public schools for children throughout the many communities of New York City.

We are dedicated to building and modernizing schools in a responsible, cost-effective manner while achieving the highest standards of excellence in safety, quality and integrity.



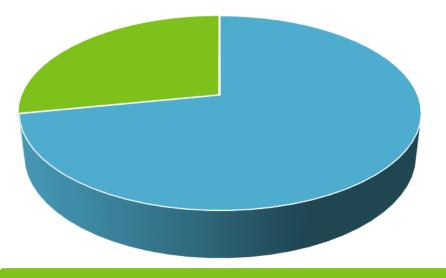


# What Is Participatory Budgeting?

- Participatory Budgeting is a democratic process in which community members directly decide how to spend part of the Reso A capital budget.
- Participatory Budgeting is not an additional funding stream.
- Reso A awards are often inclusive of the Participatory Budget projects selected.
- Council Members and/or Borough Presidents can use Participatory Budgeting to decide how to spend a certain amount of their Reso A Capital Discretionary funding.

#### Capital Budget Reso A

Remaining Reso A Capital Budget = Participatory Budgeting





# **Typical Reso A Projects**

#### **Athletic Field**



#### **Auditorium Renovation**



#### **Gymnasium Upgrade**



#### **Bathroom Upgrade**



#### **Science Lab**



#### **Supplemental Cooling**





#### Capital Eligibility Requirements As per the City's Office of Management and Budget







- Starting FY 2021 all grants must be a minimum of \$50,000.
- Capital construction projects must provide a permanent enhancement to the facility.
- All equipment must have a minimum lifespan of five years.
- Technology grants must have a minimum lifespan of three years. Ex; Smartboard, Laptops, Desktops, STEM Carts

# **Projects That Are Not Eligible for Reso A**

- Window air conditioning units
- Library books
- Loose furniture: desks, chairs, cafeteria tables, bookshelves
- > Photocopiers
- Software
- Toner cartridges and other technology based supplies
- Staffing and After School Programs





# **About Resolution A Project Budgets**





- In instances where a project is underfunded, the SCA and school will discuss the options of moving forward with a reduced scope or the school can attempt to secure additional funding to cover the estimated cost of the project.
- SCA managed construction projects have 25% soft costs applied to each construction project, which includes scope, design, contingency, and construction management.
- Ultimately, NYC Office of Management and Budget (OMB) releases funding to the SCA – not to the school's Galaxy account.
- Larger projects, such as athletic field renovations, can and have been funded over the course of multiple fiscal years.





Timeframe	Budget Activities
January - March	Elected officials contact schools to identify potential projects
May - June	City budget negotiations and adoption of the City's budget which includes new school projects
July 1st	Start of the new Fiscal Year
Summer	Schools notified of awards from Elected Officials
July - September	Review and creation of newly funded school projects by SCA
September - February	SCA receives final budget authorization from the Office of Management and Budget
October - March	SCA begins project scope and design process and schools are contacted by their project team. Notices for Technology projects are published in the Principals' Weekly.



## **Average Cost and Timeframe Estimates**

Project Type	Low**	High**	Average Months for Delivery after release of funds
Auditorium Upgrade*	\$ 750,000	\$ 2,500,000	22
Seating and Floor **	\$ 800,000	\$ 1,200,000	
Curtains **	\$ 150,000	\$ 400,000	
Audio / Visual Tech	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000	
Gymnasium Upgrade* ***	\$ 600,000	\$ 950,000	20
Wall padding **	\$ 35,000	\$ 70,000	
Refinished Basketball Court	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000	
Replaced Basketball Court	\$ 300,000	\$ 600,000	
Library	\$ 750,000	\$ 1,500,000	20

\*Does not include Supplemental Cooling (A/Cs) for these spaces \*\*Costs are dependent upon grade level and size \*\*\*Does not include locker room renovations or conversions



#### Average Cost and Timeframe Estimates Continued

Project Type	Low*	<u>High*</u>	Average Months for Delivery after release of funds
Science Lab Upgrade	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	20
New Science Lab	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 3,000,000	24
Elementary School	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,000,000	
Playground	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	20
Security Cameras	\$ 550,000	\$ 1,000,000	18
Mobile Science Carts	\$ 62,000	\$ 80,000	6
Culinary Arts Room	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	24

\*Costs are dependent upon grade level and size



# **Obtaining Project Estimates**

#### <u>Do:</u>

- Only seek an estimate from the SCA for construction projects
- Prioritize the components of your projects, e.g., chairs, A/C, curtains...
- Look on FAMIS for technology pricing

#### Don't:

 Ask any other source for an estimate as factors tend to be overlooked



# **Co-Located Schools & Reso A Grants**

- In shared spaces (e.g. auditorium, gymnasium, cafeteria), the grant is viewed as an upgrade for the entire building. All building principals are involved in the process and must approve the final project.
- When a Reso A allocation is made for technology, that grant is specifically for that individual organization only.

Building-Wide Reso A	School Specific Reso A
Shared Spaces: Auditorium, Gymnasium, Cafeteria, Playground, Library	Technology, Mobile Science Labs

Building ID and School ID associated with Reso A allocation is extremely important to direct funds correctly.



## **Multiple Schools/Buildings**

Certain campuses contain multiple buildings and multiple schools. As example how the Jamaica High School building is broken out is below.

CCD	Geo Dist	Bldg ID	Bldg Name	Address	ZIP ORG	ONAME
24	28	Q470	JAMAICA HS - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q325	HILLSIDE ACADEMY FOR ARTS AND LETTERS - Q
24	28	Q470	JAMAICA HS - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q350	JAMAICA GATEWAY TO THE SCIENCES - Q
24	28	Q470	JAMAICA HS - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q310	QUEENS COLLEGIATE SCHOOL - QUEENS
24	28	Q470	JAMAICA HS - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q328	HIGH SCHOOL FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP - Q
24	28	Q471	JAMAICA HS AF - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q328	HIGH SCHOOL FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP - Q
24	28	Q471	JAMAICA HS AF - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q350	JAMAICA GATEWAY TO THE SCIENCES - Q
24	28	Q471	JAMAICA HS AF - QUEENS	167-01 GOTHIC DRIVE	11432Q310	QUEENS COLLEGIATE SCHOOL - QUEENS
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Similarly certain schools have multiple locations. Below is an example of a special education school.

CCD	Geo Dist	Bldg ID	Bldg Name	Address	ZIP	ORG	ONAME
19	25	Q209	P.S. 209 - QUEENS	16-10 UTOPIA PKWY	11357	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
24	28	Q277	PS 182 SAMANTHA SMITH - QUEENS	153-27 88TH AVENUE	11432	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
24	28	Q882	P.S. 182 - QUEENS	90-36 150 STREET	11435	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
25	24	Q005	I.S. 5 - QUEENS	50-40 JACOBUS STREET	11373	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
27	29	Q268	P.S. 268 - QUEENS	92-07 175 STREET	11433	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
30	24	Q009	P.S. 9 (W REED SCHOOL) - QUEENS	58-74 57 STREET	11378	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS
30	24	Q058	P.S. 58 - QUEENS	72-24 GRAND AVENUE	11378	Q009	Q009 SPED - QUEENS



### **Reso A Changes**

- Council Members and Borough Presidents can make changes to allocations after adoption, however making sure the school and elected official are on the same page initially can save a tremendous amount of time.
- Changes between constriction, mobile STEM carts and other technology require notifying OMB and resubmitting projects for a new CP (Certificate to Proceed).
  - These change will add 1-3 months to a project timeline.



## **Completed Projects**

Cafeteria Upgrade	Auditorium Upgrade
<b>Bushwick Educational Campus</b>	P.S. 21 - Brooklyn





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# **QUESTIONS?**



