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Commissioner

DATE: January 5, 2026
TO: Members of the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education
FROM: Angélica Infante-Green, Commissioner *Angélica Infante Green*
RE: Recommendation of Facility Opportunity Initiative Projects

The SBA Capital Fund, consistent with statute and the Basic Education Plan, is used to support public school improvements to ensure that funding has the greatest impact on achievement gaps in the State's priority areas, providing high-quality educational opportunities for all public students.

Consistent with R.I.G.L. §16-105-1(a) and §16-105-3(1), the Facility Opportunity Initiative prioritizes the neediest LEAs with high-impact educational enhancements. The School Building Authority at the RI Department of Education received 32 applications from 5 LEAs totaling \$15,508,501, which were scored based on a prioritization rubric developed by the School Building Authority.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education moves to approve the allocation of \$6,551,905 of the FY 2026 SBA Capital Fund as follows:

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| a. Central Falls | \$ 2,497,246 |
| b. Woonsocket | \$ 2,062,461 |
| c. Providence | \$ 856,996 |
| d. Pawtucket | \$ 815,000 |
| e. West Warwick | \$ 320,202 |