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State Awards Public Schools \$272 Million in Construction Grants

Majority comes from Proposition 1D bond

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger announced today the allocation of more than \$272 million in construction grants by the State Allocation Board (SAB) to 318 California schools. Click [here](#) for a complete list of schools receiving funding.

Most of the money comes from Proposition 1D, the \$10 billion bond measure championed by the governor as part of his Strategic Growth Plan approved by voters in 2006.

“These grants will assist schools in completing construction and modernization projects, and help ensure that the classroom needs of the state’s diverse student population are being met,” said Gov. Schwarzenegger.

An additional \$13 million was allocated to 264 campuses for emergency repairs.

As part of the governor’s \$42 billion Strategic Growth Plan to rehabilitate California’s infrastructure, more than \$259 million in Proposition 1D grants for new construction and modernization of facilities will go to 67 schools: three in Northern California and the north coast; eight in the Central Valley; nine in the greater Sacramento area; 11 in the San Francisco Bay Area and central coast; and 36 in Southern California.

Since 2007, more than \$2 billion in Proposition 1D funds have been allocated for school improvements.

The governor has facilitated and expedited the allocation of billions of dollars from the 2006 infrastructure bonds to launch key projects, create jobs and stimulate California’s economy. Specifically, he has:

- Announced approximately \$136 million in Proposition 1B funds for 99 transit projects statewide.
- Announced the allocation of \$463 million in Proposition 1D funds for new construction and modernization projects for 29 charter schools statewide.

- Announced \$382 million in Proposition 1B funds for transportation projects across the state.
- Announced the approval of \$3.5 billion in Proposition 1B bond funds for transportation and goods movement projects across the state.
- Announced \$394 million in Proposition 1B bond funding for 106 transit projects statewide.
- Announced \$40 million for port security from Proposition 1B funds.
- Announced \$73 million for affordable housing projects in Proposition 1C and Proposition 46 funds to help more than 1,600 California families rent or purchase affordable housing.
- Announced \$211 million for expedited implementation in Proposition 1E funds to four critical levee improvement projects in Northern California.
- Announced \$69.5 million in permanent low-interest loans from the Proposition 1C housing bonds to jump-start 14 affordable multi-family projects up and down the state, helping more than 1,000 California families and individuals realize the dream of an affordable rental home.

In January, the governor called an emergency meeting of his cabinet and instructed them to recommend ways to work with the legislature and speed the release of \$29 billion in unallocated funds from the 2006 infrastructure bonds for the construction of roads, schools and levee repairs.

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