

STATE UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION FUND

MISSION

The State University Construction Fund is a public benefit corporation established in 1962 to serve as the construction agent for academic buildings, dormitories and other facilities at State-operated institutions and statutory colleges under the jurisdiction of the State University of New York (SUNY). Consistent with the State University's approved Master Capital Construction Plan, the Fund oversees construction, acquisition, reconstruction and rehabilitation or improvement of such facilities.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

The Fund is administered by a Board of Trustees consisting of three members appointed by the Governor, one of whom must be a State University Trustee. Members other than the State University Trustee are confirmed by the Senate. The Board appoints a General Manager who serves as chief administrative officer of the agency.

The agency will continue to maintain a workforce of 107 positions for 1999-2000, supported entirely from proceeds of revenue bonds issued to finance the construction and reconstruction of academic facilities.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The State University Construction Fund is supported by proceeds from the sale of State University Educational Facilities Revenue bonds. The 1999-2000 Executive Budget recommendation of \$9,400,000 will maintain the Fund's operating budget at its current level.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The 1998-99 Budget authorized a \$2.0 billion investment in the infrastructure and facilities of the State University of New York system. This strategic infrastructure investment will enable the State University to remain competitive into the 21st Century. Both appropriation levels and bonding authority are sufficient to allow the University to develop and implement a comprehensive multi-year construction program that addresses both the current and future capital needs of the University.

As of March 31, 1998, the Fund has completed more than 3,680 academic, dormitory and dining hall capital projects with a replacement value exceeding \$11.3 billion. During the 1998-99 State fiscal year, the Fund initiated the design of 169 projects for a total value of \$47 million and began construction of 129 projects at an estimated cost of \$235.7 million. This reflects a 275 percent increase in the number of design starts and a 30 percent increase in the number of construction starts over the prior year. Additionally, the Fund continues work on 143 projects — at an estimated cost of \$288 million — under construction prior to 1998-99 and 168 projects in various stages of design.

In addition to design and construction of new and rehabilitated academic facilities, other key agency functions include:

- Preparation and development of the State University's Master Capital Construction Plan, as well as master plans for individual campuses.
- Preparation of the State University's annual capital budget request and facility program.

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- Development and maintenance of energy conservation and telecommunications programs.
- Development and maintenance of on-line interactive data processing systems on space and property inventories, real property, State building codes, and other related plant management functions.
- Management and administration of University-wide programs including minor rehabilitation and repair accounts, dormitory rehabilitation and other programs.

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Category</u>	<u>Available 1998-99</u>	<u>Appropriations Recommended 1999-00</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Reappropriations Recommended 1999-00</u>
State Operations	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	. . . .	. . . .
Aid To Localities . . . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .
Capital Projects . . . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .
Total	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>. . . .</u>	<u>. . . .</u>

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Available 1998-99</u>	<u>Recommended 1999-00</u>	<u>Change</u>
Special Revenue Funds — Other	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	. . . .
Total	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>. . . .</u>

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Program</u>	<u>Available 1998-99</u>	<u>Recommended 1999-00</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration			
Special Revenue Funds — Other	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	. . . .
Total	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>\$9,400,000</u>	<u>. . . .</u>