

BEX/BTA Capital Levy Semi-Annual Report

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Introduction: Much of the funding to construct, maintain and renovate district educational facilities comes directly from Seattle residents through voter-approved capital levies. By maintaining and regularly improving schools and related facilities, we reduce the cost of ownership, which in turn reduces the costs to local taxpayers over the long-term. Our buildings, however, require consistent, thoughtfully applied fiscal resources to systematically maximize their lifecycle while minimizing the financial burden on the community. Seattle residents have been generous in responding to District requests for fiscal support of our capital needs, approving Building Excellence (BEX) and Building, Technology and Academics (BTA) capital levies since 1995. Successful passage of our capital levies is critical in providing a learning environment that allows staff to focus on positioning students for academic success.

In 2018, Capital Projects and Planning staff focused their efforts on designing, bidding and building projects identified in the capital levies for BTA III, BEX IV and BTA IV. In addition, staff worked diligently on and completed preparation efforts for the BEX V capital levy that will be placed before the voters on February 12, 2019.

At Seattle Public Schools, we remain committed to providing an excellent education for every student, in every classroom, every day. School construction responds to the rigorous educational program and minimizes long-term operational costs through careful selection of materials and stringent criteria for energy usage.

BTA III (2010-2016)

Program Status: Efforts focused on completing remaining projects, including:

1. Construction closeout of: B.F. Day ES seismic improvements; Catharine Blaine K-8 seismic improvements; Dearborn Park ES heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) improvements; Gatewood ES seismic improvements; Leschi ES geothermal well installation and roof replacement; and Salmon Bay K-8 seismic improvements.
2. Physical construction of: Leschi ES seismic improvements.
3. Design of: Muir ES geothermal well installation; Olympic View ES roof improvements.

Budget Status: As of October 31, 2018, the levy remains within available funds. Levy project expenditures total \$245,690,365 of the Board approved current budget of \$279,757,731.

Informational: Funds were allocated for fire sprinkler improvements to Mercer MS and HVAC improvements to Montlake ES that have not been spent. Both schools are proposed for either replacement or a major modernization and addition as part of the BEX V capital levy. Recommend postponing these projects awaiting the outcome of the BEX V capital levy.

BEX IV (2013-2019)

Program Status: Efforts focused on completing identified capacity/condition projects, including:

1. Construction closeout of: Arbor Heights ES replacement, Cascadia ES new construction, Cedar Park ES modernization, Decatur ES modernization, Genesee Hill ES replacement, Hazel Wolf K-8 replacement, Meany MS modernization, Olympic Hills ES replacement, Robert Eagle Staff MS/Licton Springs K-8 new construction, Seattle World School modernization and Thornton Creek ES replacement.
2. Physical construction of: Loyal Heights ES modernization and addition, and Lincoln HS modernization.

3. Design of: Bagley ES modernization and addition, Queen Anne addition and Wing Luke ES replacement.

Budget Status: As of October 31, 2018, the levy remains within available funds. Levy project expenditures total \$627,522,837 of the Board approved current budget of \$899,493,531.

Informational: Funds were allocated for science improvements to Mercer MS and seismic improvements to Alki ES, Mercer MS, Montlake ES, Northgate ES, Rainier Beach HS, Rogers, and Sacajawea ES that have not been spent. These schools are proposed for either replacement or a major modernization and addition as part of the BEX V capital levy. Recommend postponing these projects awaiting the outcome of the BEX V capital levy.

BTA IV (2017-2022)

Program Status: Efforts focused on completing projects, including:

1. Construction closeout of: Ballard HS roof replacement, Garfield HS partial roof replacement and West Seattle HS partial roof replacement.
2. Physical construction of: Dearborn Park ES roof replacement; E.C. Hughes ES modernization; Gatewood ES envelope improvements; Ingraham HS classroom addition, seismic improvements, and waterline and roof replacements; Lowell ES exterior door replacement; Magnolia ES modernization and addition, and the placement of ai-phones for entry security at all elementary schools.
3. Design of: Ballard HS field lighting; Cleveland HS new field and field lighting; Franklin HS envelope improvements, window replacement and field lighting; Garfield HS field lighting; John Stanford Center for Educational Excellence freezer upgrades project; Robert Eagle Staff MS field lighting; Roosevelt HS field lighting; and Webster E S modernization and addition.

Budget Status: As of October 31, 2018, the levy remains within available funds. Levy project expenditures total \$127,258,487 of the Board approved current budget of \$427,124,600.

BEX V – to be voted on February 12, 2019

Status: Planning staff worked diligently on the preparation of the BEX V capital levy. Efforts focused on updating the 2012 Facilities Master Plan and the identification projects to be placed on the BEX V capital levy. Selection of the schools adhered to the requirements identified in Board Policy 6901 and the Guiding Principles adopted by the Board on May 9, 2018. Eight schools will either be replaced or modernized, with an additional 72 schools receiving needed repairs to their site, playgrounds, building envelopes, roofs, mechanical, electrical, fire alarms, intercom and/or security systems. All schools within the District will receive technology upgrades.