

## Staff Summary Item No. 11

**Date:** August 10, 2016

**To:** Members of the California School Finance Authority

**From:** Katrina M. Johantgen, Executive Director

**Subject:** Resolution No. 16-25 Approving Final Awards and Authorizing the Disbursement of Funds Under the Twelfth Funding Round of the State Charter School Facilities Incentive Grants Program (CFDA #84.282D)

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Resolution 16-25 grants approval of the final award of grant funds to the top ranking applications in line for a grant award; the Executive Director the ability to take the steps necessary to execute the grant agreements and disburse the grant funds; and make awards to alternate applications as applicable, in the event program funds become available. The twelfth funding round applicants, and potential awardees and alternates, are shown in Exhibit A attached hereto.

**Background:** On behalf of the State of California, in 2004, the California School Finance Authority (Authority) received a five-year \$49.25 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education for a State Charter School Facilities Incentives Grant Program (Federal Program). In 2009, the Authority was awarded a second five-year grant in the amount of approximately \$48.5 million for the Federal Program. In 2014, the Authority applied for and was awarded a third five-year grant in the amount of \$50 million for the Federal Program. The Authority will award approximately \$20 million (less permissible administrative costs) in funding in the Twelfth Funding Round.

Applications for the Twelfth Funding Round of the Federal Program were due to the Authority no later than April 27, 2016, and the Authority received 84 applications. Notable information on the twelfth funding round eligibility and award process is outlined below:

1. An extensive reconciliation of previous program rounds (Round 7 – 11) was finalized and resulted in additional funding to award to schools. The excess funds combined with the \$10 million annual allocation, result in \$20 million (less permissible administrative costs) to be awarded under the twelfth funding round.
2. Public outreach efforts were bolstered from previous rounds to ensure schools applied to the correct program – state versus federal. Our education outreach efforts included hosting a detailed webinar prior to the application deadline, in which Authority staff discussed program eligibility, preference point award process, eligible costs, and the relationship of the Federal Program with the State Program.
3. The application deadlines for the State Program and Federal Program were scheduled relatively close to one another in order to allow staff to properly review whether applicants could receive funds under both programs.
4. Analysts received extensive training on the review process for preference points and eligible costs analysis.

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5. Analysts worked to identify schools' facility cost components (or in some cases the same costs) that could be eligible for awards under both programs, given the available ADA data as well as 2016-17 facility costs. Several schools will receive funding under both programs for facility costs, but will not exceed the State Budget Act limit, which mandates that schools not receive more than 75% of facility costs through one or both programs. Federal regulations state that Federal Program awards be used to supplement rather than supplant school funds to charter schools. Therefore schools that applied to both the State and Federal Programs for the same project costs were awarded State Program funds up to the lesser of: 1) 75% of 2016-17 facility costs; or 2) \$750 per unit of ADA for 2015-16. In cases where 75% of a school's 2016-17 facility costs exceeded \$750 x 2015-16 ADA, Federal Program Funds were used to supplement the difference between: 1) the award calculation of \$750 times 2015-16 ADA; and 2) the award calculation of \$750 times 2015-16 Enrollment.
6. Pursuant to the aforementioned, eligible cost calculators were redesigned, generated and peer reviewed for all eligible applicants.
7. As 2015-16 ADA and Enrollment data from the California Department of Education (CDE) was available, staff calculated awards for schools under both programs using current year data.
8. Staff reviewed executed 2016-17 lease agreements (when available).
9. Each eligibility and preference point determination was peer reviewed.
10. Preference Point Letters were sent to all eligible schools, including potential alternates.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends members of the California School Finance Authority Board adopt Resolution 16-25 approving staff's funding recommendations contained in Exhibit A of Resolution 16-25. Approval of Resolution 16-25 also authorizes the Executive Director to execute the grant agreements and disburse the funds on behalf of the Authority, as well as make awards to eligible alternates.

#	Name of Charter School	CDS Code	Purpose of Funds
1	Alpha- Blanca Alvarado Middle	43-69369-0125526	Prop 39/District
2	Animo James B. Taylor Charter Middle	19-64733-0124008	Rent/Lease
3	Animo Mae Jemison Charter Middle	19-64733-0129270	Rent/Lease
4	Animo Pat Brown	19-64733-0106849	Rent/Lease
5	Animo South Los Angeles Charter	19-64733-0102434	Rent/Lease
6	Animo Westside Charter Middle	19-64733-0122499	Rent/Lease
7	Ararat Charter	19-64733-0121079	Prop 39/District
8	Aspire Capitol Heights Academy	34-67439-0102343	New Construction
9	Aspire East Palo Alto Charter	41-68999-6114953	New Construction
10	Aspire Golden State College Preparatory Academy	01-61259-0118224	Rent/Lease
11	Aspire Monarch Academy	01-61259-6117568	New Construction
12	Aspire Titan Academy	19-64733-0120477	Rent/Lease
13	Aspire University Charter	50-71290-0118125	Rent/Lease
14	Aveson School of Leaders	19-64881-0113472	Prop 39/District
15	Children's Community Charter	04-61531-6113765	New Construction
16	Community Roots Academy	30-66464-0123729	Prop 39/District
17	Downtown College Prep - Alum Rock	43-10439-0123257	New Construction
18	Downtown College Preparatory	43-69666-4330585	New Construction
19	Elevate Elementary	37-68338-0129395	Rent/Lease
20	Epic Charter	01-61259-0129403	Rent/Lease
21	Everest Value	19-64733-0129858	Rent/Lease
22	Extera Public	19-64733-0124198	Prop 39/District
23	Extera Public School No. 2	19-64733-0128132	Prop 39/District
24	Ezequiel Tafoya Alvarado Academy	20-65243-0107938	New Construction
25	Foothill Leadership Academy	55-10553-0129346	Rent/Lease
26	Gabriella Charter	19-64733-0108886	Prop 39/District
27	Global Education Academy 2	19-64733-0129833	Prop 39/District
28	High Tech High	37-68338-3731247	Rent/Lease
29	High Tech High International	37-68338-0106732	Rent/Lease
30	High Tech High Media Arts	37-68338-0108787	Rent/Lease
31	High Tech Middle	37-68338-0101204	Rent/Lease
32	High Tech Middle Media Arts	37-68338-0107573	Rent/Lease

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33	Impact Academy of Arts & Technology	01-61192-0113902	New Construction
34	Ivy Academia	19-64733-0106351	Prop 39/District
35	Ivy Bound Academy Math, Science, and Technology Charter Middle 2	19-64733-0128389	Rent/Lease
36	Ivy Bound Academy of Math, Science, and Technology Charter Middle	19-64733-0115113	Rent/Lease
37	KIPP Heritage Academy	43-69450-0129205	New Construction
38	KIPP King Collegiate High	01-61309-0114421	Prop 39/District
39	Kipp Prize Preparatory Academy	43-69369-0129924	Prop 39/District
40	KIPP San Francisco College Preparatory	38-68478-0127530	Prop 39/District
41	Los Angeles International Charter High	19-10199-0109942	Rent/Lease
42	Magnolia Science Academy 1	19-64733-6119945	Construction/Purchase/Renovation
43	Magnolia Science Academy 7	19-64733-0117655	New Construction
44	Magnolia Science Academy Bell	19-64733-0122747	Prop 39/District
45	Magnolia Science Academy San Diego	37-68338-0109157	Construction/Purchase/Renovation
46	Mueller Charter (Robert L.)	37-68023-6037980	Renovation
47	Natomas Pacific Pathways Prep	34-75283-0112425	New Construction
48	Natomas Pacific Pathways Prep Middle	34-75283-0120113	New Construction
49	North County Trade Tech High	37-68452-0114264	Rent/Lease
50	Oakland Military Institute, College Preparatory Academy	01-61259-0130617	Prop 39/District
51	Para Los Ninos Charter	19-64733-6120489	Mortgage/Debt Service
52	Peak to Peak Mountain Charter	15-63628-0128504	Rent/Lease
53	REACH Leadership STEAM Academy	33-67215-0126128	New Construction
54	Redwood Coast Montessori	12-62679-0127266	Rent/Lease
55	Renaissance Arts Academy	19-64733-0101683	Rent/Lease
56	Richmond Charter Elementary-Benito Juarez	07-61796-0129643	Rent/Lease
57	Rising Sun Montessori	09-61838-0129965	Rent/Lease
58	Soledad Enrichment Action Charter High	19-10199-1996008	Rent/Lease
59	Summit Public School- Shasta	41-68924-0127548	Renovation
60	Summit Public School- Tahoma	43-10439-0123794	Renovation
61	Urban Montessori Charter	01-10017-0125567	Renovation

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62	Westlake Charter	34-75283-0108860	New Construction
63	Westside Innovative School House	19-64733-0121012	Prop 39/District
64	Westside Innovative School House Charter Middle	19-64733-0129379	Prop 39/District
65	Woodward Leadership Academy	36-67876-0126714	Purchase
66	Yuba City Charter	51-71464-5130125	Purchase