COLORADO Department of Education

Charter School Capital Construction (CSCC) Maintaining Facilities

Maintaining facilities

During the 2016 legislative session, "maintaining" was added to the definition of capital construction with Charter School Capital Construction (CSCC) funding pursuant to Section 22-54-124 (1)(a), C.R.S. and Section 22-43.7-110.3, C.R.S. To incorporate this change, funding received from the Charter School Capital Construction distribution may be used for expenditures incurred on or after July 1, 2016 related to maintaining facilities by charter schools. For the purpose of providing guidance in determining eligibility of expenditures related to maintaining facilities of charter schools, the following should be considered:

Eligible Expenditures:

"Maintaining facilities" refers to activities required to keep spaces, structures and infrastructure in proper operating condition in a routine, scheduled, or anticipated fashion to prevent failure and/or degradation. It includes corrective repairs or building system component replacement, including improvements for health, life safety, and to meet building code requirements. Examples of maintaining facilities services include but are not limited to:

- Routine interior and exterior painting of buildings;
- General building repairs such as roof patching, broken windows & doors, etc.;
- Repair or replacement of building life-safety and security alarm systems, and systems such as heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, electrical and lighting;
- Repair or replacement of door locks and hardware.

Additionally, the following table outlines typical capital construction expenditures (non-shaded columns) and non-typical capital construction (shaded) expenditures which are allowable as capital construction from CSCC funding due to the updated statutory definition:

	Typically Allowable as Capital Construction Expenditures		Not Typically Allowable as Capital
			Construction Expenditures, but
			Allowable for Purposes of CSCC Funds
Type of Issue	Eligible: Extend Life	Eligible: Upgrade or Enhance Value	Eligible: Maintaining
Roofing System	Roof Flashing is Deteriorating	Minimal Drainage	Roof is Leaking
	(Replace Roof Flashing)	(Install Additional Overflow Drains)	(Patch Roof)
Piped System	Piping has had a Number of Leaks	Freezing Pipes	Pipe is Leaking
	(Replace Length of Leaking Pipe)	(Upgrade by Adding Heat Tape)	(Repair Leaking Pipe)
Mechanical:	Boiler Tubes are Corroded & Failing	Obsolete Pneumatic Controls	Ductwork Needs Cleaning & Balancing
HVAC System	(Retube the Boiler)	(Upgrade to DDC Controls)	(Clean & Balance Ductwork)
Electrical:	Fire Alarm Control Panel is Failing	Existing Zone System in Place	Horn Strobes & Pull Stations are
Fire Alarm	(Replace Damaged Components)	(Upgrade to Fully Addressable	Mounted at Incorrect Height
System		System)	(Relocate to Proper Height)
Architectural:	Door Finishes are Worn	Door Hardware is not Code Compliant	Door Windows are Broken
Interior Doors	(Refinish Doors)	(Replace with Compliant Hardware)	(Replace Windows in Doors)

Generally, the eligible expenditures include those items coded to Program Codes 0710, 0720, 0721, 0722, 0723, 2600, 2610, 2620, and 4000 as defined in the Chart of Accounts, although the appropriate use of CSCC funds is dependent upon the specific use of the funds, consistent with the statutory definition.



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Non-Eligible Expenditures:

On-going operational expenses including, but not limited to, custodial services and supplies, pest control services, tree trimming, mowing, and care of trees, shrubbery, lawns, sidewalks and snow removal are not eligible uses of CSCC funding.

The non-eligible expenditures include those items coded to Program Codes 2630, 2640, 2650, 2660, 2670, and 2690 as defined in the Chart of Accounts.

Questions regarding eligibility of CSCC funding should be directed to CDE's Division of Capital Construction.