
BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2024

Fiscal Services Division

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Ground Floor, State Capitol Building

Des Moines, Iowa 50319

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ISD Girls' Dormitory Renovation — RIIF

Purpose and History

This appropriation funds heating, cooling, electrical, lighting, and fire detection system upgrades and exterior building repairs at the girls' dormitory at the Iowa School for the Deaf.

The Iowa School for the Deaf girls' dormitory houses students year-round, and the building also includes the Health Center and Audiology departments. The southern half of the building, which includes three stories, was built in 1961. The northern half of the building, which includes four stories, was built in 1971.

Currently, the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems in the building have reached the end of their useful life, and the sleeping areas for the students are not currently air conditioned. Updates to the HVAC system also require simultaneous updates to the electrical system, including new lighting and electrical power. Updates to the fire detection system will be made to adequately notify deaf and blind students as well as faculty, staff, and members of the public, of hazardous events. Lastly, the exterior walls of the building have water and air infiltration, and water is seeping through the concrete foundation walls. Updates to the exterior of the building would waterproof the foundation and tuckpoint the exterior walls.

Funding

This project was appropriated \$5.7 million from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF) in FY 2024. This appropriation represents the full cost of the project.

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code chapter [270](#)

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