

H. Center for Spectrum Services – Parking Lot Improvements (W357)

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- Grantee:** Center for Spectrum Services (“CSS”)
- ESD Investment:** A grant of up to \$50,000 to be used for a portion of the cost of parking lot and drainage system improvements.
- Project Location:** 70 Kukuk Lane, Kingston, Ulster County
- NYS Empire Zone (or equivalent):** N/A
- Project Completion:** October 2008
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Project Description:

Background

The Center for Spectrum Services, formerly known as The Children’s Annex, is a private, not-for-profit program designed for children between the ages of two and twelve who have special needs. On July 28, 2009, the New York State Board of Regents approved a name change from The Children’s Annex to the Center for Spectrum Services, a name that more clearly describes the comprehensive services that CSS offers to people of all ages. It is approved by the New York State Office of Education of Children with Disabling Conditions and the New York State Health Department, and is chartered by the New York State Board of Regents. CSS has two facilities, located in Kingston and Ellenville. Since its inception in 1976, children from more than forty-five school districts in the Mid-Hudson Region have participated in CSS’s day school and community-based programs. CSS has also been host to hundreds of visitors and has sponsored trainings and seminars for parents and professionals. CSS has served as a model special education program and has been recognized by the New York State Education Department as a School with Effective Practices for the way students with disabilities are prepared for and integrated into their neighborhood schools.

The Project

The project consisted of parking lot improvements at the Kingston facility, including expanding, resurfacing and repaving the existing parking lot and individual parking spaces and installing a new 180-foot drainage system. The existing parking lot, constructed in 1986, did not provide ample space for visitors and staff and was overdue for resurfacing and repaving in order to meet all safety codes. Installation of a new drainage system will help to

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extend the life of the parking lot by preventing water damage and hazardous conditions such as ice from developing on the lot’s surface.

Upon completion of the project, the Grantee will furnish a final report describing the impact and effectiveness of the project.

Financing Uses	Amount	Financing Sources	Amount	Percent
Parking lot and drainage system improvements	\$53,000	ESD Grant	\$50,000	94%
		Grantee Equity	3,000	6%
Total Project Costs	\$53,000	Total Project Financing	\$53,000	100%

Statutory Basis – Community Capital Assistance Program:

The project was authorized in accordance with Chapter 84 of the Laws of 2002 and reappropriated in the 2009-2010 New York State budget.

Disclosure and Accountability Certifications:

The Grantee has provided ESDC with the required Disclosure and Accountability Certifications. Grantee’s certifications indicate that Grantee has no conflict of interest or good standing violations and, therefore, staff recommends that the Corporation authorize the grant to the Grantee as described in these materials.