

JJ. HBQVB – Main Building Refurbishing (W410)

September 14, 2010

- Grantee:** Hollis-Bellaire-Queens Village-Bellerose Athletic Association, Inc.
("HBQVB" or the "Association")
- ESD Investment:** A grant of up to \$250,000 to be used for cost of refurbishing the main building.
- Project Location:** 236-02 Hillside Avenue, Queens Village, Queens County
- NYS Empire Zone (or equivalent):** N/A
- Project Completion:** December 2010
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- Project Team:**
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Project Description:

Background

For the past half century, the Hollis-Bellaire-Queens Village-Bellerose Athletic Association has been bringing youth baseball and softball to the children of the area. HBQVB introduces children, beginning at age five, to baseball with its T-ball program. The baseball and softball programs are available to boys and girls through the age of sixteen. Programs are also available to seventeen and eighteen year-olds on a limited basis, and competitive travel and tournament teams are offered for many age brackets.

The HBQVB complex is known locally as Padavan-Prellar Fields. This complex consists of nine playing fields ranging from Pee Wee to Major League dimensions, all in one fully enclosed, nineteen-acre area. The complex provides ample room to accommodate numerous baseball and softball programs, as well as a parking lot and a main building with restrooms and a concession stand.

The Project

The project consists of the refurbishing of the main building, including the addition of a second level, which will house a new refreshment stand, larger bathrooms, increased equipment storage, a meeting room, and league office space. In addition, the Association will be able to have a classroom on site to teach teams through the use of video and eraser boards in an indoor and controlled environment during the winter months.

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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
Main Building Refurbishing	\$250,000	ESD Grant	\$250,000	100%
Total Project Costs	\$250,000	Total Project Financing	\$250,000	100%

Statutory Basis – Strategic Investment Program:

This project was authorized in accordance with Chapter 55 of the Laws of 2000 for the Strategic Investment Program (the "SIP Appropriation") and reappropriated in the 2010-2011 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.