

**Subject** Community Center Federal Capital Grants; State Priorities Established

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## Overview

The federal government provided states with funding for a wide variety of purposes as part of its response to COVID-19. One of the federal acts, the Capital Project Fund (CPF), provides about \$10 billion nationwide for a range of facilities needs. As a part of this funding, the state of Minnesota, through the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), received \$47.5 million for multipurpose community facilities. The federal government established priorities for family resource centers, full-service community schools, libraries, and community centers. Minnesota's application for the funds estimates that the program will fund capital projects at up to 75 facilities and serve about 150,000 individuals. MDE has not yet released the application process for these funds.

H.F. 5078 directs MDE to provide these funds only to governmental units (counties, school districts, cities, towns, or other political subdivisions) and requires MDE to prioritize funding for underserved communities.

## Summary

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<b>1</b>	<b>Allocations; multipurpose community centers.</b>
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	Directs the MDE to ensure that its award of \$47.5 million of federal Capital Projects Funding for multipurpose community facilities is dispersed only to governmental units (counties, school districts, cities, towns, or other political subdivisions) and prioritizes funding for underserved communities.
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