



The Commission guides capital construction projects for state agencies, state-supported universities and community colleges, including Ohio's comprehensive public K-12 school construction and renovation program.

A BIT OF HISTORY

FY13: The State Architect's Office (SAO) and the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) were combined into the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC).

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FY14: The roles and duties of the Ohio Cultural Facilities Commission (OCFC) were merged into OFCC.

COMMISSION BACKGROUND

The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission was created to bring consistency to construction on public facilities and ensure the consistent implementation of the construction delivery methods approved by the General Assembly.

The Commission sets uniform rules, procedures, and standardized documents for building construction. It is responsible for construction delivery methods, construction, process and procedures.

The Commission also manages grant programs including cultural facilities, school security, community schools classroom facilities and lead fixture replacements in schools.

Commission Members include the Director of the Office of Budget and Management (OBM), the Director of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS), and one member appointed by the Governor.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Project Management

The Commission provides project management for K-12 school facilities, state agency facilities, and higher education facilities.

K-12 School Facilities

OSFC continues to focus on funding K-12 school construction. The authority to approve, award, and administer design and construction contracts now falls under OFCC.

State Agency Facilities

Program services offered for state agency facility construction include planning for capital projects, managing the design process, and overseeing construction.

Higher Education Facilities

Services offered by the higher education facilities segment include capital planning, managing the design process, manage construction, and managing the higher education certification program.

CAPITAL PLANNING

Master Plan Development

OFCC assists with the development and management of a facility's master plan for future facilities and infrastructure needs.

Capital Project Development

OFCC assists state agencies and state supported colleges and universities in the development of capital projects for funding requests. Our staff provides design and program guidance, documentation of project needs and impacts, and cost evaluation.

Facilities Assessment and Planning Support

OFCC manages the facilities assessment and programming process for capital project development enabling agencies and state-supported colleges and universities to develop more accurate scopes of work for their projects.

Fiscal Management of Projects

OFCC manages the fiscal operations of capital projects for state agencies and state supported colleges and universities. These operations includes vouchering, escrow management, lien management, and project financial reporting and reconciliation.

Capital Project Shared Services

OFCC provides shared financial services support for state agency capital projects, including vouchering and financial reporting.

ENERGY SERVICES & SUSTAINABILITY

The Office of Energy Services provides state clients with certain energy engineering and design, as well as energy auditing and contracting opportunities for the cost-effective, efficient use of energy for state government facilities and operations.

OFCC administers Energy Savings Performance Contracts (HB 7) for state agencies and higher education facilities, and the School Performance Contract (HB 264) that allows school districts to make energy efficiency improvements to their buildings and use the cost savings to pay for those improvements.

The Green Schools program at OFCC has been in existence since September 2007, when the Commission adopted LEED

for Schools® as the standard for K-12 school projects. LEED is a comprehensive tool that looks at design and construction practices including classroom acoustics, indoor air quality, selection of building materials and energy efficiency.

GRANT PROGRAMS

Cultural Facilities Grants

The Commission oversees capital improvement funds appropriated by the General Assembly and Governor for planning, construction, renovation and expansion projects at Ohio's theaters, museums, arts education facilities, historical sites, and publicly-owned professional sports venues.

School Security Grants

The School Security Grant Program authorizes OFCC to reimburse public schools for approved school security expenditures. To date, there have been two grant cycles. The current cycle ends October 14, 2016.

Community School Classroom Facilities Grants

The Community School Classroom Facilities Grant program was created with an appropriation of \$25,000,000 in state funding to be used for the renovation or addition of additional classroom space in high-performing community schools.

Lead Plumbing Fixture Replacement Assistance Grants

The Lead Plumbing Fixture Replacement Assistance Grant Program provides \$12,000,000 in funding to eligible schools to reimburse for the sampling and replacement of drinking fountains, water coolers, plumbing fixtures, and limited connected piping.

ABOUT OFCC

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