

COURT FACILITIES INCENTIVE AID FUND

Objective: Provides aid to cities and counties for: (1) cleaning and minor repairs of court facilities, (2) interest associated with financing new or improved court facilities, and (3) all facilities costs associated with appellate courts.

Administering Agency: NYS Office of Court Administration

Specific Program URL: NA

NYS Object Code: 69951, 69954 and 69955

Year Established: 1987

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.: NA

Legal Authority:

Law: NY Laws of 1987, Chapter 825; L. 1995, Ch. 687; L. 1996, Ch. 686; L. 1998, Ch. 213

Regulation: Rules 34, 34.1 and 34.2 of the Chief Judge

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Eligibility: Counties and Cities.

Type of Program and Special Restrictions: Mandated, required by State law or regulations.

Action Required to Receive Aid: For Ch. 825, 687 and 213, non-competitive applications for aid are required. For Ch. 686 aid is by contract.

Description of Aid:

Flow of Funds: State to Local. Monies are provided on a current fiscal year basis for interest payments and appellate costs, and pursuant to contract for cleaning and minor repairs.

Type of Aid: Project Grant and Ongoing

Formulas: Percentage of expenditures by local governments for aided purposes. Ranges: 25-33 percent for interest. Aid percentage within range established by relative taxing capacity: factors are population and value of taxable property. One hundred percent of expenses associated with appellate courts are reimbursable. Beginning in 1998-99, there is a four year phase-in beginning at 25% and going to 100% in SFY 2001-02 for cleaning and minor repair costs.

Matching Requirement: See formulas.

Maintenance of Effort: See formulas. Also requires compliance with M&O standards and capital plan.

Amounts Appropriated:*

	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>State General Funds</u>	<u>State Spec. Rev.</u>
SFY 02-03	NA	NA	84,779,000
SFY 03-04	NA	NA	87,095,749
SFY 04-05	NA	NA	88,164,223

*Amounts appropriated are new appropriations by fiscal year.

COURT FACILITIES INCENTIVE AID FUND (cont.)

Amounts Disbursed:*

	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>State General Funds</u>	<u>State Spec. Rev.</u>
SFY 02-03	NA	NA	85,600,000
SFY 03-04	NA	NA	84,600,000

*Total annual disbursements include spending from new appropriations and appropriations of prior years' unexpended balances.

Comments: Program provides subsidies to counties and cities for what was heretofore entirely a local cost. Subsidy moneys come from a Special Revenue Fund into which certain legal fees are deposited.