

# Capital Project Request FY 2023-2029

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**1258 001258 BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE TO HOLLY HOUSE**

**Agency:** 0697 Non City Agencies: SoundWaters  
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**Location:**  
**Neighborhood:** Cove **Voting District:**

		<b>Dept Priority</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Tier</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>HTE Date</b>		<b>YTD Balance</b>			
<b>Encumbered</b>		<b>Amount Available</b>			
<b>Advanced</b>	0.00	<b>Unfunded</b>			

**Project Description** - In 2000, SoundWaters (SW) raised \$2.1 million to restore and rebuild the city-owned Holly House in Cove Island Park and turned it into a community Environmental Education Center where, each year, thousands of Stamford Public School students, grades 1-12, visit to study and augment their science curriculum, all supported by SW fundraising. Each summer, hundreds of SPS students attend summer programs (where any child who is eligible for free/ reduced lunch receives a full scholarship). SW takes great pride in keeping this historic gem in excellent condition by fundraising and allocating over \$30,000 annually for upkeep (painting, roof, HVAC maintenance, etc). Additionally, SW secured over \$100,000 in Federal funds to repair the site after the damage inflicted by the Super Storm Sandy and Hurricane Irene. After 20 years, this beloved community center is experiencing the effects of salty environment, strong winds and aging systems. We are faced with the need for the two critical and related projects: replacement of the major components of the HVAC system (\$310,000) and the replacement of 39 windows (109,500). The HVAC system is beyond its useful life and can no longer provide adequate air conditioning and heating for thousands of children, students, staff and animals inside. The windows are large-sized (to meet the historic preservation specifications of the building) and have deteriorated due to age and the coastal conditions: replacement includes properly re-insulating and repainting the walls around them.

Detailed Project Cost		Justification for Inclusion in Capital Plan
Design Development	\$0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Savings
Construction Related	\$247,500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Life Safety
Equipment Acquisition	\$172,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Continues On-Going Project
Miscellaneous Costs	\$0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leverages Other Funds
Professional Services	\$0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure
Land Acquisition	\$0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality of Life
Art Work	\$0	<input type="checkbox"/> Plan Related
<b>FY 22/23 Total</b>	<b>\$419,500</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Safety Health
		<input type="checkbox"/> Mandated Legal
		<input type="checkbox"/> Positive Revenue Impact
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive Operational Impact/Efficiency
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other

<b>Method Used in Estimating Cost:</b>	<b>Estimated change in annual operating cost:</b>
Vendor Estimate	\$0

Request		FY 22/23					Capital Forecasts					Total	
Funding Source	Term	Dept	Planning	Mayor	BOF	Adopted	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	FY 26/27	FY 27/28		FY 28/29
Bond (City)	20	419,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	419,500
		<b>419,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>419,500</b>

**Comments** - These critical structural repairs are above and beyond our regular \$30,000 maintenance budget that we will continue to allocate for our regular building maintenance that includes roof repairs and oiling, outdoor siding cleaning and painting, outdoor landscaping, plumbing repairs, flood proofing the basement, and aquarium systems services.