

AuSable Valley Central School District Pioneers Sustainable Future with Energia

Community-Driven Change: AuSable Valley's Resounding Vote Promises Green Revolution

CLINTONVILLE, NY, USA, March 5, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [AuSable Valley Central School District](#) is pleased to announce the successful approval of a comprehensive \$29.5 million initiative aimed at addressing critical facility improvements and advancing sustainability efforts. The project, encompassing a \$24 million capital project and a \$5.5 million Energy Performance Contract (EPC), received overwhelming support from the community in a recent referendum vote.

The capital project focuses on rejuvenating aging infrastructure, enhancing health and safety measures, and aligning educational programming with the evolving needs of students across the district's three schools. By prioritizing long-term financial planning, the district aims to implement these vital improvements with minimal impact on taxpayers.

The Pre-Referendum Timeline reflects a meticulous planning process, including facility evaluations, programming meetings, and budget reviews. The Board of Education's resolution to hold a Referendum Vote on November 15, 2023, marked a significant milestone leading to a successful outcome.





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*Mike Francia, Superintendent
of AuSable Valley Central
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The Capital Project Budget is allocated strategically across various schools. The funding sources include a combination of project bonding, state Building aid, and projected energy savings through an innovative Energy Performance Contract.

The Energy Performance Contract, executed through a strategic partnership with Energia, is a groundbreaking approach to financing essential energy-related upgrades. By bonding the EPC over 15 years and combining state building aid and guaranteed energy savings, the district ensures a budget-neutral solution that relieves taxpayers while promoting sustainability.

The proposed Post-Referendum Timeline outlines the next steps, including final programming, schematic design, and construction, with an anticipated completion date in December 2026. The district is committed to engaging the community throughout the process, ensuring everyone is informed and involved.

"The success of the referendum vote is a testament to the community's commitment to providing our students with a safe, innovative, and sustainable learning environment," said Mike Francia, Superintendent of Ausable Valley Central School District. "We are proud to partner with Energia on this transformative journey, leveraging the Energy Performance Contract to not only meet our essential needs but also contribute to our broader sustainability goals."

The collaboration between AuSable Valley Central School District and Energia represents a forward-thinking approach to facility improvements, combining fiscal responsibility with a commitment to sustainability. As the project progresses, the district looks forward to enhancing the educational experience for students and building a more sustainable future for the entire community.

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