

Appendix D

Aid to Schools

Education Aid to Local Governments

Education Aid to Local Governments totals \$808.1 million in FY 2011, a \$32.8 million increase in total state funding relative to the FY 2010 revised budget, a 4.2 percent increase. Total Education Aid is defined to include local public schools, the School for the Deaf, Davies Career and Technical School, the Charter Schools, the Central Falls School District and the Metropolitan Career and Technical School, as well as support for teacher retirement and school housing aid. The following sections summarize changes to the various aid categories that comprise total FY 2011 Education Aid.

Distributed Aid

Distributed aid in 2011 increases \$7.2 million from the revised 2010 budget. A total of \$11.3 million in general revenue funding is restored to offset smaller State Fiscal Stabilization funding in 2011 and there is a reduction of \$705,000 in Group Home aid to reflect updated group home bed census figures. In both years general aid is reduced by the amount of local savings from pension reform: reductions of \$18.3 million in 2010 and \$19.1 million in 2011. In both years general aid is reduced by an across-the-board reduction totaling \$18.9 million in 2010 and \$25.1 million in 2011.

State Schools

The State Schools- Davies Career and Technical School, Metropolitan Career and Technical School, and the Rhode Island School for the Deaf are collectively financed at \$33.0 million in general revenue, which constitutes a \$2.0 million increase from the revised FY 2010 Budget. The expansion of the Metropolitan School - East Bay campus on Aquidneck Island is again delayed one year. This campus commenced operations during the 2006-2007 school year and maintains a current enrollment of approximately 90 students. A total of \$490,144 in general revenue funding is restored to offset smaller State Fiscal Stabilization funding in 2011.

Non-Distributed Aid

Direct charter school aid increases by \$6.8 million for growth in enrollment and grade levels and by \$1.0 million for new charter options. A total of \$445,942 in general revenue funding is restored to offset smaller State Fiscal Stabilization funding in 2011. In both years general aid is reduced by the amount of local savings from pension reform: reductions of \$190,130 in 2010 and \$198,686 in 2011. In both years general aid is reduced by an across-the-board reduction totaling \$1.0 million in 2010 and \$1.3 million in 2011.

In both FY 2010 and FY 2011, general revenue funding for Telecommunications Access is eliminated, to be replaced with broadening the fee currently collected to include wireless phones as well. In FY 2011 the on-site visit program is consolidated into the ACES (non-education aid) program.

Other Aid

The FY 2011 budget also includes increases in other aid of \$16.3 million; a \$13.4 million increase for school housing aid reimbursements and a \$2.9 million increase in state contributions for teachers' retirement.

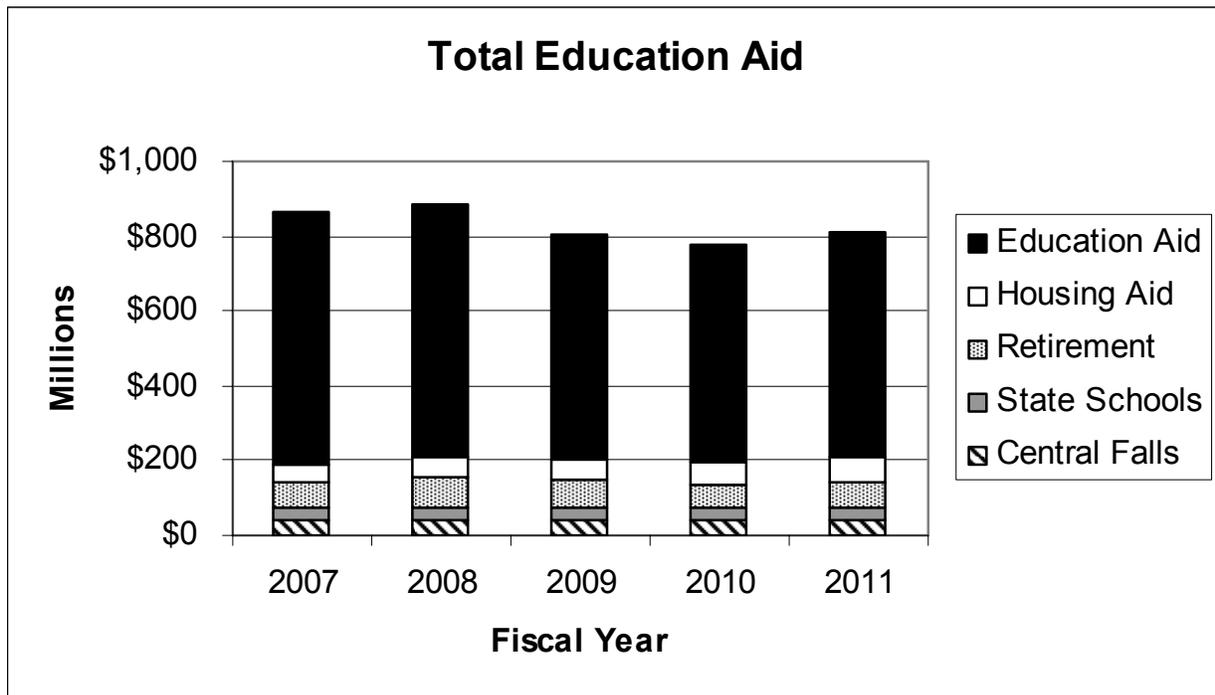
FY 2011 Education Aid Increases (Decreases) From the Revised FY 2010 Budget

- General aid: \$7,405,762
- Group Home Funding: (\$705,000)
- Central Falls School District: \$510,524
- On-Site Visits: (\$145,864)
- Textbook expansion: \$6,139
- Direct Charter School Aid: \$7,661,544
- Progressive Support and Intervention: (\$192,175)

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- Metropolitan Career and Technical School: \$757,781
- School for the Deaf: \$359,700
- Davies Career and Technical School: \$847,062
- Teachers' Retirement: \$2,877,863
- School Housing Aid: \$13,418,831

The following graph displays total school aid from FY 2007 to FY 2011. The "Education Aid" component is comprised of all aid categories under the standard Education Aid program. This includes, but is not limited to, General Aid, Targeted Aid, Charter School Aid, Progressive Support and Intervention, and the Student Investment Initiatives. Other components of total aid include: State Contributions for Teachers' Retirement; School Housing Aid; Central Falls School District; and State Schools (Davies, Deaf, and the Metropolitan School).



Explanation of Tables- by Category and LEA

The following two tables display education aid first by category, and then by apportionment among the state's local and regional education agencies (LEAs). "Distributed LEA Aid" consists of the various categories of aid that are directly distributed to school districts on a regular (usually monthly) basis, such as General Aid, Targeted Aid, and funds for Student Equity. For completeness, financing of the Central Falls School District (plus an allocation for indirect Charter School Aid on the LEA table only) is also displayed in this section. "State Schools" include the Metropolitan School, Davies, and School for the Deaf. "Non-Distributed Aid" includes several categories of aid that are either utilized at the departmental level or are not distributed regularly to school districts. "Other Aid" consists of allocations for School Housing Aid and state contributions to the Teachers' Retirement Fund. For the purposes of these tables, direct aid to charter schools is categorized as non-distributed.

Education Aid to Local Units of Government

	FY 2010 Revised	FY 2011 Recommend	Difference*
Distributed LEA Aid			
Barrington	\$1,364,122	\$1,382,853	18,731
Burrillville	12,209,624	12,370,033	160,409
Charlestown	1,570,740	1,590,298	19,558
Coventry	16,664,620	16,888,942	224,322
Cranston	29,117,509	29,512,187	394,678
Cumberland	10,876,120	11,023,547	147,427
East Greenwich	1,117,609	1,025,209	(92,400)
East Providence	22,919,707	23,110,281	190,574
Foster	1,198,279	1,214,447	16,168
Glocester	2,738,669	2,775,776	37,107
Hopkinton	5,256,848	5,328,279	71,431
Jamestown	314,678	319,163	4,485
Johnston	8,803,524	8,922,125	118,601
Lincoln	5,638,678	5,714,364	75,686
Little Compton	240,885	243,944	3,059
Middletown	8,824,045	8,941,414	117,369
Narragansett	1,169,339	1,185,084	15,745
Newport	10,041,256	10,178,723	137,467
New Shoreham	27,298	27,381	83
North Kingstown	9,702,979	9,833,815	130,836
North Providence	11,135,656	11,284,019	148,363
North Smithfield	3,967,671	4,019,856	52,185
Pawtucket	58,870,629	59,663,211	792,582
Portsmouth	5,414,104	5,485,149	71,045
Providence	168,783,146	170,927,371	2,144,225
Richmond	5,233,458	5,304,892	71,434
Scituate	2,613,860	2,649,679	35,819
Smithfield	4,480,671	4,466,202	(14,469)
South Kingstown	8,313,355	8,425,386	112,031
Tiverton	4,820,549	4,885,575	65,026
Warwick	30,619,554	31,032,344	412,790
Westerly	5,053,977	5,122,572	68,595
West Warwick	17,551,591	17,787,393	235,802
Woonsocket	41,765,456	42,207,361	441,905
Bristol/Warren	17,625,285	17,862,942	237,657
Exeter/W Greenwich	6,274,706	6,238,937	(35,769)
Chariho District	364,750	369,639	4,889
Foster/Glocester	4,833,882	4,899,198	65,316
Central Falls	40,486,830	40,997,254	510,424
Subtotal	\$588,005,659	\$595,216,845	\$7,211,186

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	FY 2010 Revised	FY 2011 Recommend	Difference
Non-Distributed Aid			
On-Site Visits	\$145,864	-	(\$145,864)
Textbook Expansion	233,861	240,000	6,139
School Breakfast	300,000	300,000	-
Charter School-Direct Aid	30,392,016	38,053,560	7,661,544
Progressive Support & Intervention	2,879,734	2,687,559	(192,175)
Subtotal	\$33,951,475	\$41,281,119	7,329,644
State Schools			
Metropolitan School	\$11,860,572	\$12,618,353	\$757,781
School for the Deaf	5,685,802	6,045,502	359,700
Davies School	13,504,484	14,351,546	847,062
Subtotal	\$31,050,858	\$33,015,401	\$1,964,543
Other Aid			
Teachers' Retirement	\$63,952,515	\$66,830,378	\$2,877,863
School Housing Aid	58,355,896	71,774,727	13,418,831
Subtotal	\$122,308,411	\$138,605,105	\$16,296,694
LEA Subtotal	\$588,005,659	\$595,216,845	\$7,211,186
Total	\$775,316,403	\$808,118,470	\$32,802,067