



Council For Lifelong Learning Bond Referendum

Fact Sheet

September 2001

<p>1. What is a bond referendum?</p>	<p>A bond referendum is a school district election that allows the voters to decide whether or not the school district should issue bonds for the purpose of generating school capital outlay funds.</p>																																																															
<p>2. How many school districts have approved local bond referendums in order to fund school district capital outlay needs?</p>	<p>Since the 1985-1986 fiscal year, 19 school districts have approved local bond referendums in order to fund school district capital outlay needs. The table below provides a general summary of the school districts that have approved local bond referendums.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="678 768 1459 1506"> <thead> <tr> <th>School District</th> <th>Fiscal Year</th> <th>Amount of Bonds</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Alachua County</td> <td>1988-1989</td> <td>\$100.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Broward County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$317.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Charlotte County</td> <td>1987-1988</td> <td>\$37.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dade County</td> <td>1987-1988</td> <td>\$980.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Duval County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$199.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Flagler County</td> <td>1988-1989</td> <td>\$19.3 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hernando County</td> <td>1987-1988</td> <td>\$44.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Indian River County</td> <td>1990-1991</td> <td>\$61.4 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leon County</td> <td>1987-1988</td> <td>\$86.1 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Marion County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$60.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Osceola County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$40.7 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Palm Beach County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$317.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pasco County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$62.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Putnam County</td> <td>1986-1987</td> <td>\$22.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Johns County</td> <td>1988-1989</td> <td>\$47.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Lucie County</td> <td>1995-1996</td> <td>\$60.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seminole County</td> <td>1985-1986</td> <td>\$105.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Volusia County</td> <td>1985-1986</td> <td>\$112.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wakulla County</td> <td>1994-1995</td> <td>\$8.0 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td></td> <td>\$2.68 billion</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Overall, the bonds issued total \$2.68 billion and the net proceeds from the bonds are used to fund school district capital outlay needs.</p>	School District	Fiscal Year	Amount of Bonds	Alachua County	1988-1989	\$100.0 million	Broward County	1986-1987	\$317.0 million	Charlotte County	1987-1988	\$37.0 million	Dade County	1987-1988	\$980.0 million	Duval County	1986-1987	\$199.0 million	Flagler County	1988-1989	\$19.3 million	Hernando County	1987-1988	\$44.0 million	Indian River County	1990-1991	\$61.4 million	Leon County	1987-1988	\$86.1 million	Marion County	1986-1987	\$60.0 million	Osceola County	1986-1987	\$40.7 million	Palm Beach County	1986-1987	\$317.0 million	Pasco County	1986-1987	\$62.0 million	Putnam County	1986-1987	\$22.0 million	St. Johns County	1988-1989	\$47.0 million	St. Lucie County	1995-1996	\$60.0 million	Seminole County	1985-1986	\$105.0 million	Volusia County	1985-1986	\$112.0 million	Wakulla County	1994-1995	\$8.0 million	TOTAL		\$2.68 billion
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<p>3. For what purposes can bond referendum revenues be used?</p>	<p>Section 236.37, F.S., authorizes school boards to propose the issuance of bonds for the purpose of acquiring, building, enlarging, furnishing, or improving buildings or school grounds of the public schools within their school districts. School boards are required to submit a resolution to the Department of Education (DOE) specifying the amount and use of the funds that would be generated from the issuance of bonds. If</p>																																																															

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	DOE approves the resolution, the school board is authorized to hold a bond referendum election.
4. What are the applicable statutes and rules?	Sections 236.35-236.68, F.S. -- School District Bonds
5. Where can I get additional information?	<p>Florida Department of Education Office of Educational Facilities (850) 487-1130 www.firn.edu/doe</p> <p>SMART Schools Clearinghouse (850) 921-8699 http://smartschools.state.fl.us</p> <p>The Florida House of Representatives Committee on Education Appropriations (850) 488-6204</p> <p>The Florida House of Representatives Council for Lifelong Learning (850) 414-6694</p> <p>The Florida House of Representatives Committee on Education Innovation (850) 488-7451</p>

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