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\$2.5 MILLION INVESTED IN COMMUNITY PROJECTS

MADISON – The Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL) today approved nearly \$2.5 million in State Trust Fund Loans to support seven community projects in Wisconsin.

The BCPL approved the following loans:

- Kimberly Area School District, Calumet and Outagamie Counties / Finance indoor athletic facility / \$1,000,000
- Town of Lake, Marinette County / Construct public works building / \$350,000
- Town of Pelican, Oneida County / Construct town shop building / \$200,000
- Village of Saukville, Ozaukee County / Purchase municipal vehicles and equipment / \$119,370
- Shelby Sanitary District #2, La Crosse County / Finance water line extension / \$400,000
- Shelby Sanitary District #2, La Crosse County / Finance water line extension / \$250,000
- Shelby Sanitary District #2, La Crosse County / Finance water line extension / \$150,000

The BCPL operates entirely on program revenue, without taxpayer money, and distributes more than 96 cents of every dollar of interest earned on BCPL State Trust Fund investments to Wisconsin's public schools. The 2016 earnings of \$37.7 million are the largest distribution in the agency's history and provide the sole source of state funding for K-12 public school library materials.

A list of 2016 library aid received by each public school district is available at:

<http://bcpl.wisconsin.gov/docview.asp?docid=27361&locid=145>).

Established in 1848 by the State Constitution, the BCPL consists of the Secretary of State Doug La Follette, State Treasurer Matt Adamczyk, and Attorney General Brad Schimel. The BCPL manages the [Common School Fund](#), which was created in Article X of Wisconsin's Constitution, as a permanent endowment to benefit public education.

To learn more about the agency, visit <http://bcpl.wisconsin.gov>.

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