

			Project Requests for State Funds		
Project Title	Priority Ranking	Funding Source	2026	2028	2030
Duluth Hanger Design	1	GO	\$ 3,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Renovation of Cottage Grove Readiness Center	2	GO	\$ 16,019	\$ 0	\$ 0
Renovation of Duluth Readiness Center	3	GO	\$ 6,021	\$ 0	\$ 0
Addition and Renovation of Bloomington Readiness Center	4	GO	\$ 13,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Project Requests			\$ 38,040	\$ 0	\$ 0
General Obligation Bonds (GO) Total			\$ 38,040	\$ 0	\$ 0

**Duluth Hanger Design****AT A GLANCE****2026 Request Amount:** \$3,000**Priority Ranking:** 1

**Project Summary:** \$3.0 million in state funds are requested to design a facility to replace three existing, 66 year old steel aircraft shelters that do not meet current standards and pose multiple safety hazards. Construct new energy efficient facility compliant with applicable DoD and Air Force design standards, situated to provide effective, efficient access to the flightline and protection of critical national assets.

**Project Description**

Existing buildings 497, 498, and 499 will be demolished upon completion of the new aircraft shelter. For construction phasing, the existing shelters could remain in place and operational until the new shelter is built. A significant portion of the existing aircraft ramp will need to be removed and reconstructed to allow for proper site grades and drainage away from the new aircraft shelter. Any building demolition will need to be sequenced with repair and reconstruction of the aircraft ramp. Scope of new facility will be a three or four-bay aircraft shelter along with support spaces. Each parking bay will be served by drive-through vertical lift fabric hangar doors to support flying operations. It will be constructed to support the universal fighter size to accommodate potential future missions and aircraft of the 148th Fighter Wing. The facility will include all architectural, structural, mechanical, fire protection, and electrical systems required to comply with applicable building codes and DoD and Air Force regulations.

**Project Rationale**

The three existing, dilapidated steel structures were relocated from the former Duluth AFB to the 148th Fighter Wing aircraft apron in 1985. The structures are 66 years old and pose multiple safety hazards including overhead snow and ice at egress locations, insufficient lightning protection systems, and are undersized which requires an indefinite airfield waiver to conduct operations from these facilities. The existing shelters are a facility maintenance burden and drain on resources. They are energy inefficient and have steadily degraded over the last 40 years.

**Project Timeline**

The project authorization process with the National Guard Bureau (NGB) is well underway. It is in the final stage of the Advanced Planning process with a briefing scheduled with NGB on 1 July 2025. If authorized, the project will be ready to enter the design process pending availability of funds. Design is anticipated to take 12-18 months. Construction duration is anticipated to be 18 months.

**Other Considerations**

A safe, reliable, and appropriately sized aircraft shelter mitigates a high sortie cancellation rate during the cold weather months of November through March, enabling pilots to maintain mission readiness and qualifications.

**Impact on Agency Operating Budgets**

The requested funding will not affect state operating dollars. Facility will be owned and operated by the Air National Guard. Operating costs will be funded by NGB.

**Description of Previous Appropriations**

In 2024 and 2025 the Governor recommended \$3 million in general obligation bonds for this project.

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**Renovation of Cottage Grove Readiness Center****AT A GLANCE****2026 Request Amount:** \$16,019**Priority Ranking:** 2

**Project Summary:** \$16.019 million in general obligation bonds to design and execute a complete renovation of the 55,000 SF existing facility and the construction of an addition to the National Guard Armory located in Cottage Grove MN. This project will modernize and improve the functionality of the facility to better accommodate the units assigned and extend the facility's usable life.

**Project Description**

This project will consist of bringing the facility up to current code and upgrading to energy efficient systems in a 100% complete renovation while addressing space requirements for assigned units.

Work to include:

- Construct an addition to maximize operational efficiencies
- Construct a vestibule at main entrance
- Replace windows and exterior doors to meet force protection standards
- Replacement of boiler system, HVAC Controls, domestic hot water and plumbing fixtures
- Replacement of floor, wall and ceiling finishes and interior doors
- Insulate facility to current code
- Upgrade of latrines/locker rooms to include expansion of female latrines/locker rooms as needed
- Replacement of interior and exterior light fixtures to LED
- Additional data ports throughout the facility
- Replacement of electrical distribution system
- Repair as needed to roof, sidewalks, parking area and motor pool
- Install Solar PV array and geothermal system as applicable and if justified by return on investment
- Purchase new office furniture to better accommodate operations

Funding for this project will be 50/50 with matching federal funds.

**Project Rationale**

This facility was built in 1956 as a school and became a MNARNG facility in 1983. Completion of this project will extend the useful life of the facility until a replacement is built. The roof structure is failing

and requires complete replacement, meaning the entire roof will be removed, elevated, and replaced with steel structure. Facility does not have fire suppression. HVAC air is mixed in rooms rather than air handlers, and an earthen tunnel is conveying air to offices and classrooms. The facility is completely uninsulated on the perimeter walls and has failing mechanical, electrical and envelope components.

**Project Timeline**

N/A

**Other Considerations**

Request any remaining funds be made available for addressing maintenance backlogs on other state owned Dept of Military Affairs facilities.

**Impact on Agency Operating Budgets**

Project completion will reduce annual maintenance costs at the Cottage Grove Facility.

**Description of Previous Appropriations**

N/A

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**Renovation of Duluth Readiness Center****AT A GLANCE****2026 Request Amount:** \$6,021**Priority Ranking:** 3

**Project Summary:** \$6.02 million in state bonded funds to conduct a complete renovation of the 43,000 SF National Guard Armory located in Duluth, MN. This project will modernize and improve the functionality of the facility to better accommodate the units assigned and extend the facility's usable life.

**Project Description**

This project will consist of bringing the facility up to current code and upgrading to energy efficient systems in a 100% complete renovation while addressing space requirements for assigned units.

Work to include:

- Replace windows and exterior doors to meet force protection standards
- Replacement of boiler system, HVAC Controls, domestic hot water and plumbing fixtures
- Replacement/refinish of floor, wall and ceiling
- Upgrade of latrines/locker rooms to include expansion of female latrines/locker rooms as needed
- Expand arms vault to 600SF
- Insulate facility to current code
- Replacement of interior and exterior light fixtures to LED
- Additional data ports throughout the facility
- Replacement of electrical distribution system
- Construct an addition to address space requirements
- Repair as needed to sidewalks, parking area and motor pool
- Install Solar PV array and geothermal system as applicable and if justified by return on investment
- Purchase new office furniture

Funding for this project will be 50/50 with matching federal funds

**Project Rationale**

This facility was built in 1964 and has never had a comprehensive renovation completed. The current FCI score is 59. There are currently 116 Soldiers assigned to this facility with no plans to replace or abandon in the next 20 years. Completion of this project will extend and enhance the facility life and have the most favorable impact on 'quality of life' for the assigned Soldiers and the community of

Duluth.

**Project Timeline**

N/A

**Other Considerations**

Project funded with 50/50 federal funds

Request that remaining funds be available to address maintenance backlogs at other state owned Dept of Military Affairs facilities.

**Impact on Agency Operating Budgets**

No impact on operating budgets

**Description of Previous Appropriations**

N/A

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**Addition and Renovation of Bloomington Readiness Center****AT A GLANCE****2026 Request Amount:** \$13,000**Priority Ranking:** 4

**Project Summary:** \$13 million in state bonded funds to design, construct a 10,000 SF addition and conduct a complete renovation of the existing 42,000 SF National Guard Armory located in Bloomington, MN. This project will modernize and improve the functionality of the facility to better accommodate the units assigned and extend the facility's usable life.

**Project Description**

This project will consist of bringing the facility up to current code and upgrading to energy efficient systems in a 100% complete renovation while addressing space requirements for assigned units. Work to include:

- Replacement of windows and exterior doors to meet force protection standards
- Replacement of boiler system, HVAC Controls, domestic hot water and plumbing fixtures
- Replacement/refinish of floor, wall and ceiling
- Upgrade of latrines/locker rooms to include expansion of female latrines/locker rooms as needed
- Expand arms vault to 600 SF
- Insulate facility to current code
- Replacement of interior and exterior light fixtures to LED
- Additional data ports throughout the facility
- Replacement of electrical distribution system
- Repairs as needed to roof, sidewalks, parking area and motor pool
- Install Solar PV array and geothermal system as applicable and if justified by return on investment
- Construct an 10,000 SF addition to better accommodate unit administrative and training requirements
- Purchase and install new office furniture

Funding for this project will be 50/50 with matching federal funds.

**Project Rationale**

This facility was built in 1985 and has never had a comprehensive renovation. The current FCI score rates the facility as poor. There are currently 311 Soldiers assigned to this facility with no plans to



replace or abandon in the next 20 years. Completion of this project will extend and enhance the facility life and have the most favorable impact on 'quality of life' for the assigned Soldiers and the community of Bloomington.

**Project Timeline**

N/A

**Other Considerations**

Project to be funded 50/50 with federal funds. The agency requests remaining funds be available to address maintenance backlogs on other state owned Department of Military Affairs facilities.

**Impact on Agency Operating Budgets**

No change to operating budget

**Description of Previous Appropriations**

N/A

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