

**BUILD NYC RESOURCE CORPORATION
PROJECT COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS
September 14, 2023**

APPLICANT

The Equity Project Charter School Assistance, Inc.
153 Sherman Avenue,
New York, NY 10034

PROJECT LOCATIONS

153 Sherman Avenue,
New York, NY 10034

A. Project Description:

TEP Charter School Assistance, Inc. (“TEPCSA”), a New York not-for-profit corporation affiliated with The Equity Project Charter School (the “School” or “TEP”), a New York not-for-profit corporation exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), or a limited liability company or not-for-profit corporation to be formed and also affiliated with the School (such entity to be formed, the “New Entity,” or TEPCSA, being referred to herein as the “Borrower”). Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to: (i) refinance the \$15,200,000 outstanding principal balance of a taxable construction loan that was funded in the original amount of \$17,250,000, the proceeds of which were used to finance the costs of constructing, equipping, and furnishing of a 60,000 square foot educational facility located on a 12,000 square foot parcel of land at 153 Sherman Avenue, New York, NY 10034 (the “Facility”); and (ii) pay for certain costs related to the issuance of the Bonds. The Facility is currently owned by TEPCSA (and may in the future be owned by the New Entity) and is leased to the School, which operates the Facility as a public charter school serving students in its middle school from grades 5 through 8.

B. Costs to City (New York City taxes to be exempted):	NPV 30 years @ 6.25%
Mortgage Recording Tax Benefit	\$260,000
Estimated NYC Forgone Income Tax on Bond Interest (estimated NPV 30 years @ 6.25%)	\$140,960
Total Cost to NYC	\$400,960

*The exact amount of personal income tax revenue that will be lost as a result of this transaction depends on factors including (but not limited to) the percentage of bond bought by entities subject to New York City personal income taxes, the interest income generated from the bonds and the tax rate applied to bond purchasers.

C. Benefit to City (Estimated NYC direct and indirect taxes to be generated by Company) (estimated NPV 30 years @ 6.25%):	\$1,727,298
D. Benefit to City from Jobs to be Created (Estimated NYC direct and indirect taxes to be Generated by Company)	\$0



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Build NYC CORE APPLICATION

Submit your electronically completed Core Application via email to your assigned Project Manager as a Word Document file or a Word Document saved as a PDF.

A. APPLICANT OVERVIEW

Applicant Name (the "Applicant"): TEP Charter School Assistance, Inc. or an affiliate	Name of operating company (if different from Applicant): The Equity Project Charter School
Operating company address: 153 Sherman Ave, New York, NY 10029	Website address: www.tepcharter.org
EIN #: [REDACTED]	NAICS Code: 611110
State and date of incorporation or formation: 11/2010 NYS	Qualified to conduct business in NY? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant is (check one of the following, as applicable): <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: 501(c)(4) or 501(c)(3), to be determined	
Is the Applicant affiliated with a publicly traded company? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, name the affiliated company:	

B. APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

	Name/Title	Company	Address	Email	Phone	Primary ¹
Applicant Contact Person	Ms. Shelly Gupta	The Equity Project Charter School	549 Audubon Ave, T30, New York, NY 10040	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Attorney	Stephen L. Rabinowitz	Greenberg Traurig, LLP	One Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, NY 10017	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accountant	John Bianca	PKF O'Connor Davies	500 Mamaroneck Ave, Suite 301, Harrison, NY 10528	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consultant/Other	Robert Ryan, Vice President	First Tryon Advisors	122 Severn Ave., Annapolis, MD 21403	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

C. APPLICABLE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Provide the estimated value of each of the following types of Project Financial Assistance being requested. Discuss the estimation of the Requested Financial Assistance with your assigned Project Manager, if needed.

Requested Financial Assistance*	Estimated Value of Requested Financial Assistance
Mortgage Recording Tax Benefit	\$448,000
Build NYC Bond Financing	Approx. \$150k in annual debt service savings

*Assumes approximately \$16 million of long-term financing through Build NYC

D. APPLICANT BACKGROUND

Provide a brief description of Applicant's history and the nature of its business. Feel free to include information from the Applicant's website or other official documentation describing the Applicant. Include information such as when the Applicant was founded, who founded the Applicant, a brief history of the Applicant, the Applicant's primary services and market, and the number of the Applicant's employees in NYC and elsewhere. **Limit the description to 250 words.**

¹ Select the individual to whom questions should be directed and who may speak on behalf of the Applicant.

TEP Charter School Assistance Inc. (the “Applicant”) is a not-for-profit organization incorporated on November 19, 2010, under the laws of the state of New York. The Applicant’s mission is to advance the interest of and provide any and all kinds of support for the operation, financing, fundraising and educational mission of The Equity Project Charter School.

The Equity Project Charter School (“TEP” or the “School”) is a New York State, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) educational corporation that was incorporated on January 15, 2008 to operate a charter school pursuant to Article 56 of the Education Law of the State of New York. TEP’s vision is to provide educational equity for students from traditionally underserved communities. Spurred by the belief that teacher quality is the most important factor in achieving educational equity, TEP makes unprecedented investments to attract and retain great teachers. Today, the School serves approximately 1,080 students in grades K-8. The School’s SUNY charter was most recently renewed in June 2023 for five years. In the 2022-23 school year, approx. 93% of TEP’s students were Hispanic or Latino and approx. 3% were black or African American. Approx. 26% are ELL, 22% are students with disabilities, and 90% receive free or reduced-price lunch.

TEP and the Applicant maintain separate boards and common management teams.

TEP operates 3 school campuses located in the Washington Heights and Inwood neighborhoods of New York City.

TEP employs 158 employees in NYC.

E. PROPOSED PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Describe the proposed Project, including its purpose and Project Location, in the text box below. Refer to the example below.

Applicant is seeking approximately \$16 million in revenue bonds (the “Bonds”). Proceeds of the Bonds together with other funds available to Applicant, will be used to:

- i. refinance approximately \$15.2 million of an outstanding taxable construction loan maturing in November 2023,
- ii. and pay for certain costs related to the issuance of the Bonds (i and ii, collectively, the “Project”)

The targeted closing date is October 2023. The Project will extend the maturity date of the outstanding debt and reduce the Applicant’s annual debt service burden, which will allow the School to dedicate more resources to its educational and extracurricular programs for the benefit of its students.

F. PROJECT LOCATION DETAIL

Complete this table for *each* Project Location with a distinct Block/Lot. For Projects with more than one Block/Lot, copy the Project Location table below and paste it directly underneath to complete it.

Project Location Information			
Project Address:	153 Sherman Avenue, New York, NY	Location #	1 of 1
Borough/Block/Lot:	Manhattan/2221/5	Community Board #:	12
		Neighborhood:	Inwood
Square footage of land:	12,000	Square footage of existing building:	60,000
		Number of Floors:	6
How is the anticipated Project Location currently used and what percentage is currently occupied?		Charter School 100% occupied	
In the case of relocation, what will happen with Applicant’s current facility?		N/A	
Does the Project Location have access to rail and/or maritime infrastructure?		No	
Is there any space at the Project Location that is currently being/will be occupied and/or used by any entity other than the Applicant or operating company, whether Affiliates or otherwise?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, attach a separate page and provide details about tenants such as (1) name of tenant business(es) (whether Affiliates or otherwise), (2) square footage of tenant operations, (3) tenant occupancy commencement and termination dates, and (4) copies of leases, licenses, or other documents evidencing a right to possession or occupancy.			
For the purposes of this question, any license or other right of possession or occupancy granted by the Applicant or operating company with respect to the Project Location shall be deemed a tenancy.			
Construction Information			
Facility Operations Start Date (as defined in the Policies and Instructions): 2019			
Does the Project involve the construction of a new building or an expansion/renovation of an existing building? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, complete the following questions and attach a separate page and provide drawings, plans, or a description of the proposed work.			
Does the Project involve subsurface disturbance or excavation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

Project Location Information

Anticipated square footage of Facility after construction and/or renovation:
 Anticipated square footage of *non-building improvements* after construction and/or renovation (e.g. parking lot construction):
 Square feet of wet lab space created: **N/A** Square feet of wet lab space preserved: **N/A**
 Percentage of total building size dedicated to wet lab space: **0%**
 Are energy efficiency improvements or the installation of a renewable energy system anticipated as part of the Project? **No**

Which of the below statements best reflects your current stage in the contractor procurement process?
 A contractor has been selected and the procurement process is complete.
 The procurement process has begun but a contractor has not been selected. Selection is anticipated by:
 The procurement process has not begun. Procurement is anticipated to begin by:
 Other:
 Not applicable

Zoning Information

Current zoning of Project Location: **Residential and Commercial**
 Is a zoning variance or special permit required for the Project to proceed at Project Location? Yes No
 If yes, attach a separate page and describe the zoning variance or special permit required, which agencies are involved, and the anticipated schedule for zoning approval.
 Is the Project subject to any other city, state or federal approvals? Yes No
 If yes, attach a separate page and describe the approval required, and if applicable, list any other environmental review that may be required.
 Is the Project Location a designated historic landmark or located in a designated historic district? Yes No
 Is the Project Location within the NYC Coastal Zone Boundary? Yes No
 Intended use(s) of site (check all that apply): Retail % Manufacturing/Industrial % Commercial Office % Residential %
 % If Residential, what percentage of units will be affordable? % **School 100%**

G. ANTICIPATED OWNERSHIP

1. Check the accurate description of the Project Location's anticipated ownership.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant or an Affiliate is/expects to be the Project Location's fee simple owner.	(Projected) Acquisition date: August 2016
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant or an Affiliate leases/expects to lease the Project Location. <input type="checkbox"/> Lease is for an entire building and property. <input type="checkbox"/> Lease is for a portion of the building and/or property.	(Projected) Lease signing date:
<input type="checkbox"/> Neither of the above categories fully describes Applicant's interest or intended interest in the Project Location. Describe the anticipated ownership of the Project Location premises:	

2. Does/will an Affiliate own/control the Project Location? Yes No
 If yes, complete the table below:

Name of Affiliate: The Equity Project Charter School	Address of Affiliate: 153 Sherman Ave, New York, NY 10034
Affiliate is a:	
<input type="checkbox"/> General Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Partnership
<input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Company
<input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other : 501(c)(3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Person	

H. PROJECT FINANCING

1. **Sources of Financing.** Provide amounts as aggregates for all Project Locations. Add table rows, if needed.

Sources	Total Amount	Percent of Total Financing
Equity	\$	%
Direct Purchase Bond or Loan (Lender Name: To be determined)	\$ 16,000,000	100%
Capital Campaign	\$	%
New York City Public Funds	\$	%
Source:	\$	%
Other:	\$	%
Total	\$ 16,000,000	100%

2. Mortgage amount on which tax is levied (exclude SBA 504 financing²): [N/A](#)
3. Anticipated closing date between the Issuer and the Applicant: [October 2023](#)
4. **Uses of Financing.** Provide amounts as aggregates for all Project Locations.

Uses	Total Amount	Percent of Total Financing
Land and Building Acquisition	\$	%
Construction Hard Costs (i.e. site excavation, building materials, labor, landscaping, construction materials, etc.)	\$	%
Construction Soft Costs (i.e. pre-planning, legal, financing, design, etc.)	\$	%
Furnishings, Fixtures, & Equipment (FF&E) and Machinery & Equipment (M&E) (i.e. generators, desks, chairs, electronic equipment, specialized manufacturing equipment, assembly equipment, etc.)	\$	%
FF&E purchased in NYC	\$	
M&E purchased in NYC	\$	
Closing Fees (costs associated the execution of deal, i.e., debt service reserve fund, financing fees, loan origination fees, attorney fees, pre-payment penalties, etc.)	\$873,000	5%
Other (describe): Construction Loan Refinance	\$15,127,000	95%
Other (describe):	\$	%
Total	\$16,000,000	100%

4a. Indicate anticipated budgeting of Hard Costs: [N/A, refinancing](#) Electrical: % Carpentry: % Painting: % Plumbing: %
Excavation or Demolition: % Other: %

4b. Indicate anticipated budgeting of Soft Costs: [N/A, refinancing](#) Architecture: % Engineering: % Design: % Other: %

I. EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

The following information will be used as part of the Issuer's calculation of the Project's benefit to the City, and as a basis for comparison with the employment information that the Applicant will be required to report on an annual basis for the term of the Project Agreement (as defined in the Policies and Instructions).

1. Job Creation Schedule

For all responses in the table below, part-time ("PT") employees are defined as those working between 17.5 and 35 hours per week on average, and full-time ("FT") employees are defined as those working 35 hours or more per week. Hourly wages in Columns E & F should represent the pay rate and are exclusive of overtime. For salaried employees, divide the annual salary by 1,820 working hours per year to calculate an hourly wage.

Information included in Column C below will be used to determine eligibility for participation in the HireNYC Program. For program information, see Additional Obligations document. If eligible for the HireNYC Program participation, NYCEDC will provide additional details.

Job Category	# of NYC jobs retained by Project	# of jobs to be added in each year at Project Location in first 3 years of operation to be employed by Applicant			Total # of Jobs at Project Location in first 3 years of operation (Sum of all Columns B and C)	Average hourly wage for Year 1	Lowest hourly wage for Year 1	Average Fringe Benefit for retained jobs	Average Fringe Benefit for created jobs
		Year 1: 2023-24	Year 2: 2024-25	Year 3: 2025-26					
FT Executive level	1	0	0	0	1	\$63		\$8,950	N/A
FT Manager level	4	0	0	0	4	\$42		\$8,770	N/A
FT Staff level	12	0	0	0	12	\$21		\$8,470	N/A
Total FT Employees	17	0	0	0	17	\$42	\$21	\$8,730	N/A
Total PT Employees	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

² The SBA 504 Loan Program, administered by the Small Business Administration, is designed to provide small businesses with long-term financing to acquire and improve major fixed assets, such as owner-occupied commercial real estate and heavy machinery.

2. Of the Total Jobs at Project Location in Column D, how many employees are/will be NYC residents? [94% of employees at the Project Site are NYC residents](#)
3. How many employees at the Project Location will be paid below living wage³ at Project Start Date (as defined in the Policies and Instructions)?
[None](#)
4. Does the Project currently have, or anticipate having, contract or vendor employees⁴ at the Project Location? Yes No ([maintenance and IT](#))
5. Generally describe all other forms of compensation and benefits that permanent employees will receive (i.e. healthcare, employer contributions for retirement plans, on-the-job training, reimbursement for educational expenses, etc.). [Healthcare and Employer matching to a 403\(b\) plan](#)
6. Will Applicant or any of its Affiliates be required to provide health coverage to its employees pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the "Act")? Yes No

If yes, provide an overview of the applicable requirements under the Act and an explanation of how Applicant plans to comply with such requirements. If no, explain why and provide a FT employee count using the Act "[FTE Employee Calculator](#)". [More than 50 employees](#)
7. Is Applicant currently providing paid sick time to employees in accordance with the Earned Sick Time Act (Chapter 8 of Title 20 of the NYC Administrative Code) and otherwise in compliance with such law? Yes No

If yes, provide an explanation of your company's paid and unpaid sick time policy. If No, explain why and provide a table which outlines the number of anticipated employees and hours worked per calendar year.⁵ [See excerpt from Employee Handbook attached as Exhibit A](#)
8. Will the Project use an apprenticeship program approved by the New York State Department of Labor? Yes No

J. LABOR

Applicant and its Affiliates hereinafter will be referred to collectively as the "Companies" or individually as a "Company." If none of the following questions applies to any of these Companies, answer *No*. For any question that does apply, be sure to specify to which of the Companies the answer is relevant.

1. Has any of the Companies during the current calendar year or any of the five preceding calendar years experienced labor unrest situations, including actual or threatened labor strikes, hand billing, consumer boycotts, mass demonstrations or other similar incidents?
 Yes No If Yes, explain on an attached sheet.
2. Has any of the Companies received any federal and/or state unfair labor practices complaints asserted during the current calendar year or any the five calendar years preceding the current calendar year?
 Yes No If Yes, describe and explain current status of complaints on an attached sheet.
3. Do any of the Companies have pending or threatened requests for arbitration, grievance proceedings or other labor disputes during the current calendar year or any of the five calendar years preceding the current calendar year?
 Yes No If Yes, explain on an attached sheet.
4. Are any of the Companies' employees *not* permitted to work in the United States?
 Yes No If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.
5. Is there any period for which the Companies did not complete and retain or do not anticipate completing and retaining all required documentation related to this inquiry, such as Employment Eligibility Verification (I-9) forms?
 Yes No If "Yes," explain on an attached sheet.
6. Has the United States Department of Labor, the New York State Department of Labor, the New York City Office of the Comptroller or any other local, state or federal department, agency or commission having regulatory or oversight responsibility with respect to workers and/or their working conditions and/or their wages, inspected the premises of any Company or audited the payroll records of any Company during the current or preceding three year calendar years?
 Yes No If "Yes," use an attached sheet to briefly describe the nature and date of the inspection and the inspecting governmental entity. Briefly describe the outcome of the inspection, including any reports that may have been issued and any fines or remedial or other requirements imposed upon any of the Companies as a consequence.

³ For information regarding living wage, see Additional Obligations document.

⁴ Contract or vendor employees are independent contractors (i.e. persons who are not "employees") or are employed by an independent contractor, who provide services at a Project Location.

⁵ Information on the Paid Sick Leave Law can be found [here](#).

7. Has any of the Companies incurred, or potentially incurred, any liability (including withdrawal liability) with respect to an employee benefit plan, including a pension plan?

Yes No

If "Yes," use an attached sheet to quantify the liability and briefly describe its nature. Refer to any governmental entities that have had regulatory contact with the Company in connection with the liability.

8. Are the practices of any of the Companies now, or have they been at any time during the current or preceding five calendar years, the subject of any complaints, claims, proceedings or litigation arising from alleged discrimination in the hiring, firing, promoting, compensating or general treatment of employees?

Yes No

If "Yes," provide details on an attached sheet. Note "discrimination" includes sexual harassment.

K. FINANCIALS

1. Has Applicant, Affiliate(s), Principal(s), or any close relative any Principal(s), ever received, or is any such person or entity currently receiving, financial assistance or any other kind of non-discretionary benefit from any Public Entities?

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

2. Has Applicant, or any Affiliate or Principal, or any existing or proposed occupant at the Project Location(s), obtained, or is any such person or entity in the process of obtaining, or contemplating obtaining, other assistance from the NYCIDA/Build NYC and/or other Public Entities?

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

3. Has Applicant, or any Affiliate or Principal, ever defaulted on a loan or other obligation to a Public Entity?

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

4. Has real property in which Applicant, or Affiliate or Principal, holds or has ever held an ownership interest and/or controlling interest of 25 percent or more, now or ever been (i) the subject of foreclosure (including a deed in lieu of foreclosure), or (ii) in arrears with respect to any type of tax, assessment or other imposition?

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

5. Does Applicant, or any Affiliate or Principal, have any contingent liabilities not already covered above (e.g., judgment liens, lis pendens, other liens, etc.)? Include mortgage loans and other loans taken in the ordinary course of business only if in default.

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

6. Has Applicant, or any Affiliate or Principal, failed to file any required tax returns as and when required with appropriate governmental authorities?

Yes No

If Yes, provide details on an attached sheet.

7. In the table below, provide contact information for Applicant's references. If the space provided below is insufficient, provide complete information on an attached sheet. List any "Major Suppliers" (those that compose more than 10% of goods, services, and materials).

Reference Type	Company Name	Address	Contact Person	Phone	Fax	Email	% of Revenues
Major Suppliers	Charter Technology Solutions	129 20th Street, Suite 2, Brooklyn, NY 11232	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	0.87%
	JC Bus Transportation LLC	54 Turner Street, Yonkers, NY 10704	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	0.68%
	Performance Food Service	1 Ikea Drive, Elizabeth, NJ 07207	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	1.37%
Unions	N/A						
Banks	TD Bank	300 W 125th St NY NY 10027	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
	Capital One	299 Park Avenue, 23rd Floor New York, NY 10171	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	

L. ANTI-RAIDING

1. Will the completion of the Project result in the relocation of any plant or facility located within New York State, but outside of New York City, to New York City? Yes No

If "Yes," provide the names of the owners and addresses of the to-be-removed plant(s) or facility(ies):

2. Will the completion of the Project result in the abandonment of any plants or facilities located in an area of New York State other than New York City? Yes No

If "Yes," provide the names of the owners/operators and the addresses of the to-be-abandoned plant(s) or facility(ies):

If the answer to question 1 or 2 is "Yes," answer questions 3 and 4.

3. Is the Project reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of this Applicant, or of any proposed occupants of the Project, in its industry? Yes No

4. Is the Project reasonably necessary to discourage Applicant, or any proposed occupant of the Project, from removing such plant or facility to a location outside New York State?

Yes No

If the answer to question 3 or 4 is "Yes," provide a detailed explanation on a separate sheet of paper.

M. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

1. The Applicant and any owner or occupant of the proposed project is in substantial compliance with applicable local, state and federal tax, worker protection and environmental laws, rules and regulations. Yes No
2. The proposed project, as of the date of this application, is in compliance with all provisions of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, including, but not limited to the provisions of Section 859-a and Section 862(1) thereof. Yes No

N. PRIVATE SCHOOL QUESTIONS (IF APPLICABLE)

Review Build NYC's Private School Policy prior to completing the Application.

1. Are at least 50 percent of enrolled students are New York City residents? Yes No
2. If Applicant provides education to any of grades 9 through 12, is it registered with the New York State Department of Education as an eligible education institution? Yes No
3. If Applicant was formed under the Education Law of the State of New York, is it chartered by the New York Board of Regents? Yes No
4. If Applicant provides education to any of grades K through 8, it (a) is registered with the New York State Department of Education, or (b) will be evaluated by an independent professional (acceptable to Build NYC's staff in their sole discretion) as providing an education equivalent to that provided by public schools in the State of New York? Yes No
5. Provide a written plan that demonstrates any existing or planned commitment to aid the City's public school system, nonprofit organizations and/or community groups through the sharing of Applicant's facilities. Project Manager will identify appropriate and quantifiable metrics in respect of this requirement. Applicant will be required to provide annual written reports to Build NYC demonstrating its performance, as measured by such metrics. The Board of Trustees or the Chief Executive Officer of Applicant will designate a full-time staff member to coordinate the community service activities and aid to be provided by Applicant pursuant to paragraph 5 above.
6. What is Applicant's maximum tuition for the current academic year?
7. Indicate whether Applicant meets the following criteria:
- a. Financial aid equal to at least 12 percent of Applicant's gross tuition revenues is made available to, and used by, students who are City residents. Yes No
- b. At least 20 percent of students who are both City residents and recipients of financial aid receive financial aid equal to or greater than 50 percent of tuition. Yes No

O. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

1. What are the primary sources of revenue supporting Applicant's operations? Applicant's primary source of revenue will be lease payments from The Equity Project Charter School. TEP's primary source of revenue is NYC DOE per pupil funding.
2. If the Applicant's Statement of Activities categorizes any revenues as "Other operating revenues," describe what revenues are captured in that category: N/A
3. If the Applicant's Statement of Activities categorizes any revenues as "Other general and administrative," describe what revenues are captured in that category: N/A
4. Share employee salaries and wages paid in the last three fiscal years:

Salaries and Wages	Year 1: 2021-2022	Year 2: 2020-2021	Year 3: 2019-2020
	\$14,787,464	\$14,286,283	\$13,398,769

5. If Applicant is a charter school:
 - a. What share of the total student body receives free or reduced lunch? 91%
 - b. Does the Applicant currently co-locate a facility/anticipate co-locating a facility with the Department of Education? Yes No
TEP has a campus for grades 2-4 co-located at 549 Audubon Ave, T30, New York, NY 10040

6. Is the Applicant funded through existing City or state contracts? Yes No

If "Yes," complete the following table:

Agency	Contract Amount	Year of Contract Execution	Year of Contract Termination	Renewal Mechanism

7. What is the anticipated operating expense savings as a result of this Build NYC transaction? \$255,000/annually N/A
8. If the Applicant is refinancing existing debt, complete the following table. N/A

Existing Debt Series	Year of Maturity	Current Interest Rate	Estimated Savings ¹	Anticipated Use of Savings
Construction Loan	2043	5.40%	\$255,000	Additional programmatic services

1. Annual future value debt service savings, assuming the existing interest rate on the construction loan is extended through the remaining amortization period.

9. Where does the Applicant intend to allocate the savings provided through Build NYC? The savings provided through the Build NYC issuance will allow TEP to dedicate more resources to the programs and services it provides to its students

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned officer/member/partner of Applicant, on behalf of Applicant and its Affiliates, hereby request, represent, certify, understand, acknowledge and agree as follows:

I request that this Application, together with all materials and data submitted in support of this Application (collectively, these "Application Materials"), be submitted for review to the Issuer's Board of Directors (the "Board"), in order to obtain from the Board an expression of intent to provide the benefits requested herein for the Project.

I certify that I have the authority to sign these Application Materials on behalf of, and to bind, Applicant and its Affiliates.

I certify under penalty of perjury to the best of my knowledge and belief, after due investigation, that the information contained in these Application Materials is accurate, true and complete and does not contain a misstatement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements contained herein not misleading. I understand that an intentional misstatement of fact, or, whether intentional or not, a material misstatement of fact, or the providing of materially misleading information, or the omission of a material fact, may cause the Board to reject the request made in the Application Materials. I understand that the Issuer will rely on the information contained within these Application Materials in producing and publishing a public notice and convening a public hearing. If any information in these Application Materials is found to be incorrect, Applicant may have to provide new information and a new public notice and public hearing may be required. If a new public notice and public hearing is required, they will be at Applicant's expense.

I acknowledge that the submission of any knowingly false or knowingly misleading information may lead to the immediate termination of any financial assistance and the reimbursement of an amount equal to all or part of any tax exemptions claimed by reason of Issuer involvement in the project.

I understand the following: that Applicant and Principals will be subject to a background check and actual or proposed subtenants may be subject to a background check, and if such background check performed by the Issuer with respect to Applicant or any Affiliates reveals negative information, Applicant consents to any actions that the Issuer or NYCEDC may take to investigate and verify such information; that the Issuer may be required under SEQRA to make a determination as to the Project's environmental impact and that in the event the Issuer determines that the Project will have an environmental impact, Applicant will be required to prepare, at its own expense, an environmental impact statement; that the decision of the Board to approve or to reject the request made in the Application Materials is a discretionary decision; that no Bonds may be issued (if Bonds are being requested) unless such Bonds are approved by the Mayor of the City; that under the New York State Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"), the Issuer may be required to disclose the Application Materials and the information contained therein (see the Disclosure Policy section of the Policies and Instructions document provided to Applicant and signed by Applicant on or about the date hereof (the "Policies and Instructions")); and that Applicant shall be entirely responsible and liable for the fees referred to in these Application Materials.

I further understand and agree as follows:

That notwithstanding submission of this Application, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to present Applicant's proposed Project to the Board for approval. If the Issuer presents Applicant's proposed Project to the Board for approval, the Issuer does not guaranty that such approval will be obtained. If upon presenting Applicant's proposed Project to the Board for approval the Issuer obtains such approval, such approval shall not constitute a guaranty from the Issuer to Applicant that the Project transaction will close.

That preparation of this Application and any other actions taken in connection with the proposed Project shall be entirely at Applicant's sole cost and expense. Under all circumstances, the Application Fee is non-refundable, including but not limited to the circumstance where the Issuer decides, in its sole discretion, to not present Applicant's proposed project to the Board for Approval.

That each of Applicant and each of its Affiliates (collectively, the "Indemnitors") hereby releases Build NYC and NYCEDC and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents (collectively, the "Indemnitees") from and against any and all claims that any Indemnitor has or could assert and which arise out of, or are related to, any Application Materials, any actions taken in connection therewith or any other actions taken in connection with the proposed Project (collectively, the "Actions"). Each Indemnitor hereby indemnifies and holds harmless each of the Indemnitees from and against any and all claims and damages brought or asserted by third parties, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising from or in connection with the Actions. As referred to herein, "third parties" shall include, but shall not be limited to, Affiliates.

That in the event the Issuer discloses the Application Materials in response to a request made pursuant to FOIL, Applicant hereby authorizes the Issuer to make such disclosure and hereby releases the Issuer from any claim or action that Applicant may have or might bring against the Issuer, their directors, officers, agents, employees and attorneys, by reason of such disclosure; and that Applicant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the Issuer and the NYCEDC and their respective directors, officers, agents, employees and attorneys harmless (including without limitation for the cost of reasonable attorneys' fees) against claims arising out of such disclosure as such claims may be made by any party including Applicant, Affiliate, Owner or Principal, or by the officers, directors, employees and agents thereof.

That capitalized terms used but not defined in this Application have the respective meanings specified in the Policies and Instructions.

I acknowledge and agree that the Issuer reserves its right in its sole and absolute discretion to request additional information, waive any requirements set forth herein, and/or amend the form of this Application, to the full extent permitted by applicable law.

Requested, Represented, Certified, Acknowledged, Understood and Agreed by Applicant,

I certify that, using due care, I know of no misstatement of material fact in the Application Materials, and know of no material fact required to be stated in the Application Materials to make the statements made therein not misleading. **Certified by Preparer,**

This 25th day of July, 2023

This day of , 20 .

Name of Applicant: TEP Charter School Assistance, Inc.

Name of Preparer: _____

Signatory: Ezekiel Vanderhoek _____

Signatory: _____

Title of Signatory: President _____

Title of Signatory: _____

Signature: Ezekiel Vanderhoek

Signature: _____

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Appendix B
Short Environmental Assessment Form

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project: Refinancing			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 153 Sherman Avenue, New York, NY 10040			
Brief Description of Proposed Action: Refinancing the School's outstanding construction loan			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: TEP Charter School Assistance, Inc.		[REDACTED]	
Address: 549 Audubon Ave, T30			
City/PO: New York		State: NY	Zip Code: 10040
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:			NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?		_____ 0.27 acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?		_____ 0.27 acres	
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?		_____ 0.27 acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain purpose and size: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____ The Applicant participated in the NYC OER VCP, and a SSDS was installed. A Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions was issued on _____, which was subsequently satisfied and cancelled on December 22, 2020 (Attachment B).	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE		
Applicant/sponsor name: <u>Ezekiel Vanderhoek, President</u> Date: <u>7/25/2023</u>		
Signature: <u>Ezekiel Vanderhoek</u>		

Part 2 - Impact Assessment. The Lead Agency is responsible for the completion of Part 2. Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part 3 - Determination of significance. The Lead Agency is responsible for the completion of Part 3. For every question in Part 2 that was answered “moderate to large impact may occur”, or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.
NYCEDC	8/21/2023
Name of Lead Agency	Date
Shabnam Bista	Senior Planner
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
<i>Shabnam Bista</i>	
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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