Introduction: Joseph da Silva, architect, administrator, author, advocate
School Building Authority, RI Department of Education (2007-present)

RI Schoolhouse History:

Mission - provide oversight and support for our LEAs to create 21st century learning environments for our public students that are

Educational appropriate,
Fiscally prudent, and
Environmentally sustainable.

2020 Vision: Achieved!
School Construction Funding
• 2013 schoolhouse report,
• 2017 Assessment,
• 2018 statutes,
• 2022 Bond $250M
Green Schools Nation Exemplar

2030 Vision: Carbon Neutral Public Schools

Stage I Necessity Application
Identify Need

Stage II Necessity Application
Collaborate on solutions

Stage III Design Bidding Construction
SD, DD, CD reviews
• NE CHPS Standards Affidavits
• Local Bidding
• Support GC, CM, Design-Build
• Prevailing Wage, PLAs
• MWBE

Stage IV Closeout/Funding
Reimbursement 30-98%
Pay-go
SBA Capital Fund

Question: How can the GBAC help make our public schools carbon neutral by 2030?