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Education Facilities Clearinghouse is an organization funded by national grant money, under the umbrella of George Washington University's education school and located in Newport News. It collects and disseminates information on everything related to schools facilities to school districts for free. Research project director is Victor Hallman, shown here, who was the former deputy superintendent for business and facilities for Hampton City Schools. (Judith Lowery / Daily Press)

EFC Receives Local Media Coverage for Work Across the Country

Jennifer Williams, Daily Press

Officials with the Mathis Independent School District in Texas were trying to learn how to improve their school buildings and maximize funding when they reached out to a national free resource. Education Facilities Clearinghouse in Newport News sent a consultant to look at Mathis' facilities and make recommendations, said Christopher Casarez, Mathis schools' area administrator for operations. A thorough review of the facilities and their records helped officials there rearrange their priority list and find ways to save money in one place for use in another. "It really helped to discuss that with somebody who is very knowledgeable in that field, and it helped us reset our priority list," Casarez said. "So that helped us out a lot."

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Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment



This presentation by Anisa Baldwin Metzger, M.Arch., who is the manager of School District Sustainability Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council, was given at Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment's 12th annual conference on September 19, 2014.

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