

# FSILG Facilities Renewal Update

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## FSILG Facilities Renewal

**Our goal: To make it easy and affordable for organizations to make their houses safer for students.**

- FSILG Facilities Renewal Committee - Joint AILG/DSL committee
- Identified potential life-safety improvements for community-wide projects (from Arup assessments and BSF experience)
- Expenses covered at 75% by the IRDF as safety improvements
- Program concept endorsed by AILG and IRDF Grant Advisory Board, and allocation approved by the MIT Treasurer



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# FSILG Life-Safety Improvement Program (FLIP)

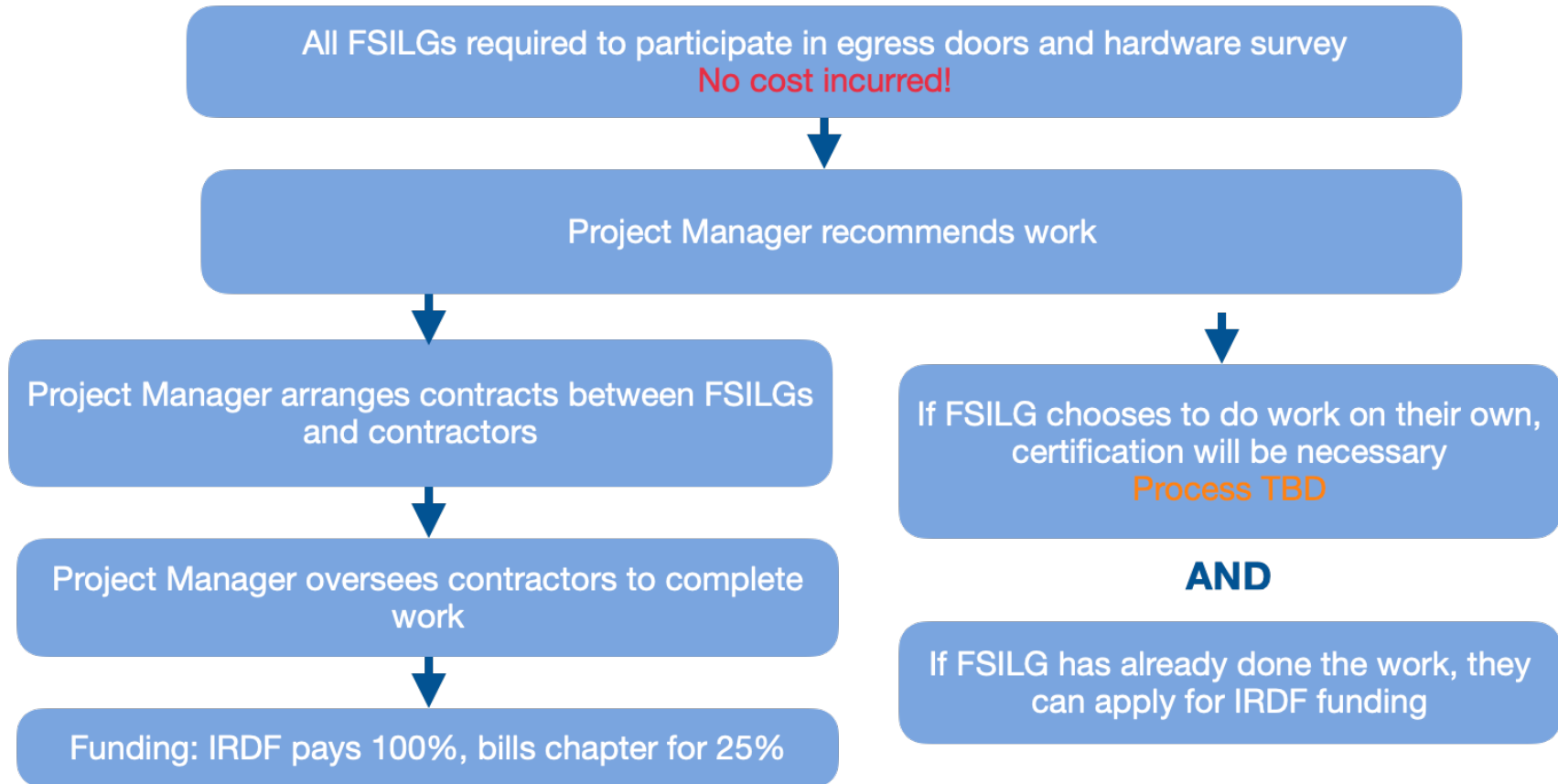
Identified life-safety systems improvement opportunities common to most houses:

Phase 1: Egress doors and hardware

Phase 2: Fire alarm upgrades

Phase 3: Sprinkler system upgrades

# FLIP Phase 1: Doors and Egress Project Flow



## Progress To Date: Phase 1 Egress Doors and Hardware

- Hired Project Manager
- Completed reports and spreadsheets for all houses
- Pilot Houses
  - Determined scope of work
  - Conducted cost estimation
  - Fine-tuned scope of work
  - Completed work (almost!)



## Pilot Houses – Lessons Learned

### **Goal: Use pilot houses to develop process and identify potential issues**

- Be specific about scope of work – up front planning is critical
- Communication with alums and undergrads - is essential and ongoing
- Simplify program - doors and door hardware only (not magnetic make-opens/hold-opens)
- Need hands-on project management – with houses and technicians

→ Changing project management to FCI

→ **Looking for 10 volunteer houses to do work this summer**

*Thank you Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Kappa, and Theta Chi!*



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