

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE MM
MIRACOSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2016

“MIRACOSTA COLLEGE JOB TRAINING, COLLEGE TRANSFER, VETERAN SUPPORT MEASURE. To upgrade classrooms and career training facilities for science, healthcare, technology, advanced manufacturing, other growing local industries, provide job training/placement to Navy/ Marines/ other veterans, improve access to affordable higher education for local students, improve disabled access, repair, construct, acquire classrooms, facilities, sites/equipment, shall MiraCosta Community College District issue \$455,000,000 in bonds, at legal rates, subject to local control, requiring annual audits and independent citizen oversight?”

Bonds - Yes

Bonds – No

PROJECTS

The Board of Trustees of the MiraCosta Community College District, to be responsive to the needs of its community, evaluated MiraCosta College’s urgent and critical facility needs, and its capacity to provide students, active military, and **Veterans** with support and **job training** facilities, and an **affordable education** to prepare them for success in **college** and **careers**. **Veteran’s support, job training** facilities, safety issues, class size and offerings, and information and computer technology were each considered in developing the scope of projects to be funded, as such are outlined in the District’s Facilities Master Plan 2016 Update and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and available for review on the District’s website (www.miracosta.edu). In developing the scope of projects, basic repairs, **job training** facilities, campus safety, facilities **supporting Veterans**, and the expansion of opportunities for local students to receive an **affordable, quality education**, were **prioritized**. If these facility needs are not addressed now, MiraCosta College would be unable to remain competitive in preparing students for jobs in high demand industries and **university transfer**. The Board of Trustees determines that **MiraCosta College MUST:**

- (i) **Improve career training facilities for science, healthcare, technology and skilled trades to better prepare students and returning veterans for success in college and careers.**
- (ii) **Increase opportunities for local students to earn college credits, certifications and job skills at reasonable prices and transfer to four-year colleges and universities;**
- (iii) **Expand and improve the Veterans’ Center and provide job training, job placement, counseling, and support services to Navy, Marine and other military veterans and their families;**
- (iv) **Continue training local workers and partnering with local industries in biotech, aerospace, high-tech manufacturing, biomedical engineering, computer science and nursing to drive our local economy;**
- (v) **Ensure that all money raised by this measure will stay in our community to support local students, and cannot be taken away by the State or used for other purposes;**

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- (vi) **PROVIDE LOCAL NORTH COUNTY STUDENTS WITH AN AFFORDABLE, HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION;**
- (vii) **Adhere to stringent fiscal accountability safeguards including:**
- (a) **All expenditures will be subject to annual independent financial audits,**
 - (b) **No funds will be used for administrator or faculty salaries and pensions,**
 - (c) **An independent citizens' oversight committee will be appointed to ensure that all funds are spent only as authorized.**

The following types of projects are authorized to be undertaken at each of the District's locations:

**PROVIDE AN AFFORDABLE EDUCATION
FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS AND VETERANS:**

Facility Improvements Needed To Update Classroom, Laboratory Instruction and Technology To Support Core Subjects, Like Math, Science and Technology

Goals and Purposes: The cost to attend the University of California and the State University systems has become so expensive, more local students and their families rely on MiraCosta College to start their education and save tens of thousands of dollars. Additional funds are needed to ensure local students have access to affordable, high quality education in North County.

Since more than one-third of all local high school graduates rely on MiraCosta College for higher education and to prepare them for careers, this essential community resource must be maintained.

- Add classrooms and laboratories for high-demand courses in nursing, biotechnology, biomanufacturing, and other skilled trades that serve the local economy.
- Improve student safety and campus security systems, including security lighting, and emergency communications systems, smoke detectors, fire alarms and sprinklers.
- Repair leaky roofs, worn out floors and restrooms, old rusty plumbing, and faulty electrical systems.
- Update campus facilities to improve access for students with disabilities.
- Update instructional technology in the classrooms for improved student learning in core subjects like math, science and technology.

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PROVIDE JOB TRAINING, COLLEGE TRANSFER AND VETERAN
SUPPORT:**

Facility Improvements
To Help Students and Veterans Transfer to Four-Year
Universities or be Trained For High Demand Jobs

Goals and Purposes: MiraCosta College is one of the most important Veterans' serving institutions in California. It provides job training and counseling to approximately 1,800 active military and veterans every year. Upgraded and expanded veteran services and job training are needed so returning service members receive the support they need to complete their education and enter the civilian workforce.

MiraCosta College is a vital resource for our business community that relies on the college to train future and current employees in fields like biomedical engineering, nursing, hospitality and other high demand careers.

- Upgrade science center and labs to allow for state-of-the-art courses in biology, chemistry and physical sciences.
- **Expand and improve the Veterans' Center, which provides job training, counseling, and support services to Navy, Marine, and other military veterans and their families.**
- Update classrooms, labs, libraries and computer systems to keep pace with technology.
- Improve career training facilities for science, healthcare, technology and skilled trades to better prepare students and returning veterans for success in college and careers.

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FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

This bond measure has strict accountability requirements including:

1. All money will benefit MiraCosta College campus and CANNOT BE TAKEN BY THE STATE.
2. NO MONEY can be used for ADMINISTRATOR OR FACULTY SALARIES or pensions.
3. Require CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT and yearly audits to ensure all funds are used locally, effectively and as promised.
4. NO ADMINISTRATOR OR FACULTY SALARIES. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher, faculty and college administrator salaries, pensions and other operating expenses.

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5. FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE CONDUCTED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses, a customary contingency, and costs associated with the Total Cost of Ownership of facilities and equipment. In addition to the listed projects stated above, authorized projects also include the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, fiscal reporting, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated college activities caused by construction projects. In addition to the projects listed above, repair, renovation and construction projects may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; replace aging electrical and plumbing systems; repair and replacement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems; acquire vehicles; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies, including photovoltaic/solar installations; repair and replacement of worn-out and leaky roofs, windows, walls doors and drinking fountains; replace or remove outdated buildings and classrooms and construction of new classrooms and support buildings; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices and needs; upgrade facilities to meet earthquake safety standards, current environmental sustainability and State compliance standards; repair and replacement of fire alarms, emergency communications and security systems; upgrading, resurfacing, replacing or relocating of hard courts, fields, turf and irrigation systems; install sod or artificial turf on athletic fields; upgrade classrooms; build or upgrade facilities; construct, expand or reconfigure facilities to create lecture classrooms; construct parking lots, upgrade, resurfacing and reconditioning existing parking lots; improve vehicular access and traffic circulation; improve pathways, such as sidewalks, pedestrian bridge, traffic center; improve drop-off zones, bus stops; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems; replace water lines and valves, gas and sewer lines and other plumbing systems; construct, upgrade, acquire or expand multi-use classrooms and labs, fine arts and visual and performing arts facilities, learning resources center, physical education/aquatic facilities, gym, locker rooms, field lights, bleachers, press box, track replacement, support buildings, student service/campus center and instructional buildings, campus police building, resource center, libraries, automotive building, athletic fields, student services buildings; improve water conservation and energy efficiency; acquire land; replace or upgrade outdated security and safety systems; replace existing window systems with energy-efficient systems to reduce costs; improve insulation, weatherproofing and roofs to reduce costs; improve access for the disabled; install and repair fire safety equipment, including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting, and fire safety doors; replace broken concrete walks, deteriorated asphalt; replace/upgrade existing signage, bells and clocks; demolition of unsafe facilities; install new security systems, such as security (surveillance) cameras, burglar alarms, handrails, outdoor lighting, fencing, gates and classroom door locks; create outdoor study and gathering spaces; interior and exterior painting, wall and floor covering replacement; improve drainage systems to prevent flooding; upgrade roadway and pedestrian paths for improved safety and access for emergency vehicles, site parking, utilities and grounds. The project list also includes the refinancing of outstanding lease obligations. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, upgrading classroom technology, expanding wireless internet access, acquire portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems,

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information systems, printers, digital white boards, upgrade voice-over-IP, communication systems, audio/visual and telecommunications systems, call manager and network security/firewall, Internet connectivity, wireless systems, technology infrastructure, and other miscellaneous IT and instructional equipment, DATA storage, fiber/copper infrastructure, phones, identity access cards and the creation. The Project List includes the construction of buildings for general education classrooms, chemistry and biotechnology, allied health, arts/ media services, engineering, math, technology and applied sciences and physical education and kinesiology, and the renovation of facilities for student services, business and workforce development, biology and related sciences.

The allocation of bond proceeds may be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. Some projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may Oceanside Campus or in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects.

Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.