

# Contra Costa Community College District

## 2013 Bond Report to the Community



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### Building for Student Success



Top: Los Medanos College students spend time on the campus Quad. Center: Diablo Valley College students enjoy the inviting spaces of the Commons' Student Services Center Counseling area. Bottom: Rendering of Contra Costa College Student Activities building dining area.



Project rendering by tBP/Architecture.

# Funding Major Construction Projects at All Three Campuses

## 2013 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee



Jagjit Bhambra, DVC Support Organization Representative



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Mark Ross, DVC Business Organization Representative



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Luanna Waters, CCC Student Representative

## Message from the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

William van Dyk, CHAIR

The past year was a very exciting year for the Contra Costa Community College District (District), as we witnessed the completion of more construction projects approved under the Measure A (2002) and Measure A (2006) bond programs.

The 2002 bond of \$120 million has now been spent, with only a small amount of interest earned on the funds available to complete some minor projects at both Contra Costa College (CCC) and Los Medanos College (LMC). All 2002 projects at Diablo Valley College (DVC) have been completed.

The 2006 bond of \$286.5 million continues to fund major construction at all three campuses, including the two largest bond-funded projects in the District's history—the DVC Commons Project and the CCC College Center. Work continues on the new DVC Student Services Center, Culinary Arts and Commons Area; a major renovation of all LMC Student Services areas; and the major demolition in connection with the new construction of the CCC College Center.

In 2000, California voters approved Proposition 39, which lowered the required voter approval for school construction bonds from a two-thirds majority to 55 percent. The legislation requires that districts passing a Prop 39 school bond form a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. The Oversight Committee is composed of volunteers from a cross section of community groups, including finance, business, academia, taxpayers, and seniors.

The Oversight Committee meets quarterly to verify that

- all bond funds have been spent in a manner consistent with the language of the Measure A (2002) and Measure A (2006) bonds;
- an annual independent audit has been performed; and
- no bond money has been spent for any purpose other than facility improvements and upgrades, new buildings to accommodate student growth, the purchase of needed classroom equipment, and administration of bond projects.

The Oversight Committee reports that these requirements have been met and money spent administering the bond expenditures are well within industry standards and consistent with best practices of other bond oversight committees throughout the state. Independent performance and financial audits have been performed as required. In the auditors' opinion, "the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the capital outlay for 2002 and 2006 bond funds at June 30, 2012." In addition, the results of the District facilities bond program's operations for the year conform with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

The District continues to adhere not only to the intent, but also to the spirit, of Measure A (2002) and (2006), exercising diligent stewardship of the funds. The Oversight Committee also appreciates the support and commitment of the community to help provide quality higher education for our students.

## You Are Welcome to Attend Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Meetings

Meetings of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee are open to the public. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Los Medanos College, 2700 East Leland Road, Pittsburg. For more information and future dates of Bond Oversight Committee meetings, please visit [http://www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure\\_a/default.aspx](http://www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure_a/default.aspx).





The new home of DVC's Culinary Arts and Food Services programs will be housed in the north wing of the Commons project. Slated for completion in May 2014, the facility will connect to the newly completed Student Services Center in the south wing.

## Creating Environments that Build Community



Helen Benjamin, Ph.D.

### Message from the Chancellor

This year, the Contra Costa Community College District (District) celebrated 65 years of a very rich history. Like many community college districts in the nation, ours was formed in the post-war era, with the realization that education beyond high school was indispensable to earning a living wage.

We have come a long way since 1948. In addition to the three colleges, we have expanded and built two education centers in San Ramon and Brentwood to meet the growing higher-education needs of the county. Today, we serve over 55,000 students annually and engage 3,100 full- and part-time employees. While we have grown in size, we remain true to our purpose of helping students meet their educational goals and supporting workforce and economic development in our communities.

Our facilities are critical to our success. We made decisions about our 2006 bond projects eight years ago, and sold the remaining 2006 bonds in 2012 to cover the cost of current projects. Our largest projects in the District's history, the Diablo Valley College (DVC) Commons project and the Contra Costa College (CCC) Center, are moving full speed ahead. We are also continuing the modernization of the Los Medanos College (LMC) College Complex, among other activities. It is gratifying to see these plans and dreams take shape on our campuses.

We need to continue to reinvest in these facilities; there are buildings on our campuses that have not been upgraded since they were built 40 years ago. We know from studies that when students develop a strong connection to their school and their life on campus, they are more likely to complete their education and become successful in their careers. Creating beautiful, modern, and engaging learning environments enables us to support our students and our communities.

I thank the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee members for their tremendous contribution in ensuring that the District exercises exemplary stewardship with the public funds entrusted to us, and that it complies with the intent and spirit of the approved bond measures. These caring community leaders deserve our appreciation for their volunteerism and leadership.

Thank you, residents of Contra Costa County, for your continued support.

### Financials for Fiscal Year 2013

MEASURE A (2002) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FINANCES	
<b>Bond Funding</b>	<b>\$120,000,000</b>
Expenses	
Prior Years	\$120,000,000
Current Year	\$0
Remaining Bond	\$0
<b>State Funding</b>	<b>\$88,402,619</b>
Expenses (Prior Years)	\$88,402,619
<b>Interest Funding</b>	<b>\$9,812,117</b>
Expenses	
Prior Years	\$5,449,524
Current Year	\$2,857,913
Remaining Interest	\$1,504,680
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>\$218,214,736</b>

MEASURE A (2006) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FINANCES	
<b>Bond Funding</b>	<b>\$286,500,000</b>
Expenses	
Prior Years	\$96,451,717
Current Year	\$23,763,091
Remaining Bond	\$166,285,192
<b>State Funding (estimated)</b>	<b>\$60,000,000</b>
Expenses	\$0
<b>Interest and Rebate Funding (estimated)</b>	<b>\$18,651,000</b>
Expenses	
Prior Years	\$149,500
Current Year	\$743,651
Remaining Interest/Rebates (estimated)	\$17,757,849
<b>Total Capital Outlay (estimated)</b>	<b>\$365,151,000</b>



# Showcasing the Largest Bond Construction Projects in District's History

**W**ith some \$145 million in bond-project construction across the District's three main campuses, 2013 was the busiest of any year in the past decade. Work taking place at the very heart of the campuses is redefining and connecting disconnected spaces, modernizing buildings, improving accessibility and energy efficiency, and upgrading classroom technology.

The \$73-million Contra Costa College Center project is the District's largest construction project to date. Scheduled for completion in fall 2016, the College Center includes a new Student Activities building, a new Classroom building, and a new Quad area. At Diablo Valley College, four of the six phases of the \$53-million Commons project are projected for completion in May 2014. At Los Medanos College, project work continues on the Student Services area renovation of the College Complex.



**Top: Groundbreaking of the CCC College Center project, which will include a new Classroom building. Right: Culinary Arts on the upper floor and the Food Services Dining Room on the lower floor of DVC Commons' north wing. Bottom: LMC College Complex project. Project renderings by Steinberg Architects and tBP/Architecture.**



## Bond Measure Projects List (2013)

### Contra Costa College

**MEASURE A (2002):** Vocational Technology building remodel, and Americans with Disabilities Act Path of Travel project (2007); Library remodel, new perimeter fencing and new Student Services Center building (2008); Biological Sciences building mechanical system upgrades, and Applied Arts and Automotive Technology buildings roofing projects (2009); Applied Arts building remodel and roof replacement, and Automotive Technology building exterior renovation (2010); Smart Classroom equipment installation (2011); Music building remodel, and 12 Kilovolt Utility upgrade (2012); Parking Lot 16 design (2013), new College Center design (2013), Access Control and Security upgrades (2013), and new Gym Annex elevator\*\*

**MEASURE A (2006):** Athletic facilities (field/track) renovation Phase 1 (2008); 12 Kilovolt Utility upgrade (2012); Athletic facilities renovation Phase 2 (2013), new Student Activities building\*, new Classroom building\*, new Quad area\*, seismic retrofit of various buildings\*\*, Parking Lot 16 upgrade\*\*\*, and Physical Education Annex remodel\*\*\*

### Diablo Valley College

**MEASURE A (2002):** New Book Center, Physical Sciences building remodel, Life Science remodel for Advanced Technology Center, and Business Education building remodel (2006); new San Ramon Campus and Technical Education building seismic mitigation (2007); Planetarium remodel (2008); Life and Health Sciences ceiling upgrade, and parking island landscaping (2009); gas line replacement (2011); new Student Services Center—partial project (2012); DVC Measure A (2002) allocation fully expensed and closed in 2012

**MEASURE A (2006):** Athletic facilities (field/ track) renovation (2008); parking lot repaving (2009); soccer field regrading (2010); new Student Services Center (2012); Baseball and Softball Field upgrades (2013), new Culinary Arts and Food Services building\*, new Commons area\*, and Engineering Technology building remodel\*\*\*

### Los Medanos College

**MEASURE A (2002):** Planetarium remodel (2006); new Library and new Math building (2007); new Science building and Brentwood Center expansion (2008); new Quad area and Core building remodel (2009); and Art Area remodel and Brentwood Center expansion (2010)

**MEASURE A (2006):** Athletic facilities (field/track) renovation (2008); parking lot B extension (2010); Nursing and Emergency Medical Training classrooms and labs (2012); Student Services Area renovation\*, and new Physical Education building\*\*

### Regional Education Centers

**MEASURE A (2006):** purchase 17.5 acres for new Brentwood Center (2011); new Brentwood Center building\*\*\*

### Districtwide Initiatives

**MEASURE A (2006):** Solar power and energy-efficiency initiatives (2008); Information Technology infrastructure\*

\*UNDER CONSTRUCTION | \*\*UNDER DESIGN | \*\*\*FUTURE



President Denise Noldon, Ph.D.

# Contra Costa College

YEAR EST. 1949

PRESIDENT Denise Noldon, Ph.D.

ENROLLMENT 11,111 students annually

LOCATION 2600 Mission Bell Drive, San Pablo, CA 94806

TELEPHONE 510.235.7800

WEBSITE [www.contracosta.edu](http://www.contracosta.edu)



**CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE**

Since 1949, Contra Costa College (CCC) has provided exemplary educational services to hundreds of thousands of residents from the greater West County area. The college has superior faculty and staff members and a learning environment that maximizes the potential of students. Technology is available throughout the institution and connects students to the world to ensure a relevant exchange of ideas. The college is proud of its diverse student body and commitment to individual student success. Excellent programs such as the Center for Science Excellence, *The Advocate* newspaper, the green Automotive Services program, the Nursing program, and the Culinary Arts program are known throughout the state and the nation. A model of excellence, CCC prides itself on being one of the finest community colleges in the country.

## Bond Projects Are Building a Brighter Future



CCC students on campus (top); completed projects in 2013 included a new ADA-compliant space in the parking lot of the Knox Performing Arts Center (above), and the interior spaces and installation of equipment in the renovated Music building (above, right). The campus also broke ground on a new Student Activities building in the College Center (right).



Project rendering by tBP/Architecture.



President Peter Garcia



# Diablo Valley College

YEAR EST. 1949

PRESIDENT Peter Garcia

ENROLLMENT 28,287 students annually

LOCATION 321 Golf Club Road, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

TELEPHONE 925.685.1230

WEBSITE [www.dvc.edu](http://www.dvc.edu)



Diablo Valley College (DVC) has distinguished itself as one of the nation's most successful community colleges by offering incomparable transfer opportunities and exceptional career-technical programs and degrees, while responding to an evolving need for more robust adult basic skills and ESL programs. At both the Pleasant Hill and San Ramon locations, local and international students experience high-quality instruction and support services designed for student success. DVC's many career-technical programs are continuously improving to keep pace with emerging technologies and the new skills our students need to be successful in any job market. The college's transfer achievements are unparalleled, making DVC the number one transfer pathway to UC Berkeley.

## Commons Project Offers Better Access Across Campus



DVC students on campus (top); construction on a handrail and walkway that are part of a more gradual, inviting north entry (above, left, and at right), designed to welcome students and visitors to the new Commons area and other parts of campus. A covered, connecting walkway (above, right) joins the Commons' north and south wings. For updates, visit the project webcam at [dvc.edu/org/facilities/projects/](http://dvc.edu/org/facilities/projects/).



Project rendering by Steinberg Architects.



President Bob Kratochvil

## College Complex Project Updates 40-year-old Facility



# Los Medanos College

YEAR EST. 1974

PRESIDENT Bob Kratochvil

ENROLLMENT 12,371 students annually

LOCATION 2700 East Leland Road, Pittsburg, CA 94565

TELEPHONE 925.439.2181

WEBSITE [www.losmedanos.edu](http://www.losmedanos.edu)

**LOS MEDANOS  
COLLEGE**

Los Medanos College (LMC) provides excellent transfer and innovative career-technical opportunities in East Contra Costa County. A focus on student learning and success helps students build their abilities and competencies as lifelong learners, and provides critical educational preparation to help them to succeed in their career endeavors. Special opportunities include the only honors program certified as part of the UCLA Transfer Alliance, and learning communities supported by faculty and staff. With programs like Engineering, Nursing, Communication Studies, Child Development, Instrumentation Technology, Mathematics, and Process Technology, students receive the resources they need to excel in today's competitive workforce and at four-year colleges. LMC's main campus is located in Pittsburg, with a center in Brentwood.



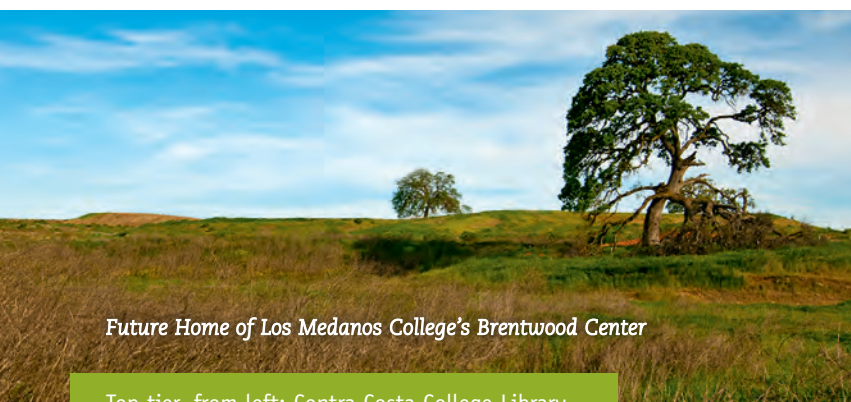
LMC students on campus (top); construction supervisors (above, left) oversee work on the new roof of the Student Services & Administration area of the College Complex. Part of a major project that began in 2010, the building (at left) faces the Library, Math, and Science buildings, constructed with 2002 bond funds. For updates, visit the project webcam at [losmedanos.edu/construction/cam.asp](http://losmedanos.edu/construction/cam.asp).



# Celebrating 65 Years of Service to the Contra Costa Community



The Contra Costa Junior College District (later named Community College District) was founded in 1948 by public vote and first opened its doors to students in 1949. Thanks to voter support of bond measures in 2002 and 2006, early campus buildings are on track to be updated and modernized, and new facilities constructed, to better prepare students for 21st century jobs and careers.



*Future Home of Los Medanos College's Brentwood Center*



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Top tier, from left: Contra Costa College Library, 1963; newly remodeled CCC Music building performance hall. Second tier: 1960s aerial photo showing the Diablo Valley College campus at center; new DVC Student Services Center building. Third tier: East College was named Los Medanos College in 1971; today's LMC Quad area. Fourth tier: the future home of LMC's Brentwood Center at Highway 4 and Marsh Creek Road; DVC's San Ramon Campus opened in 2006.