

# SUSTAINING OUR FUTURE

**Contra Costa Community College District  
2020 Bond Report to the Community**

**Contra Costa College**  
**Diablo Valley College - San Ramon Campus**  
**Los Medanos College - Brentwood Center**

*Clockwise from top: Los Medanos College's newly opened Brentwood Center; Diablo Valley College's San Ramon Campus expansion; Los Medanos College's new Kinesiology & Athletics Complex in Pittsburg; and Contra Costa College's Science Center construction in San Pablo.*

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# 2020 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Members Monitor 2006 and 2014 Bond Project Expenditures

Letter from the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee | Keith Archuleta, Chair

California Community College districts passing a Proposition 39 school bond are required to form a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (Committee). The Committee is composed of volunteers from a cross section of community groups, including finance, business, academia, taxpayers, and seniors. Specifically, our role as Committee members is to continue monitoring the District's expenditures of the 2006 and 2014 bond funds to ensure that all money spent is consistent with the bond language of the original ballot measures.

The Committee meets quarterly to review reports from the District confirming that

- all bond funds have been spent in a manner consistent with the language of the 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 the administration of bond projects.

The Committee is pleased to report that the information and presentations by the District indicate that all bond funds have been spent in a manner that is consistent with the bond language.

Independent performance and financial audits have been carried out as required. In the auditor's opinion, "the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the capital outlay for 2006 and 2014 bond funds as of June 30, 2019." In addition, the results of the District Facilities bond program's operations for the year conform to the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Despite the impact the pandemic has had on our community, we look forward to seeing important bond-funded projects continue throughout the District, including the following:

- Contra Costa College: new Science Center;
- Diablo Valley College—Pleasant Hill Campus: Kinesiology/Athletics complex and new Art Complex;
- Diablo Valley College—San Ramon Campus: new Library and Academic Support Center building; and
- Los Medanos College: Classroom, infrastructure, and building systems improvements at both the Pittsburg Campus and the Brentwood Center.

The Committee appreciates the willingness of voters to approve the District's bond measures. These funds help provide facilities that fulfill the higher education needs of a diverse student population, meet the training requirements for an ever-changing qualified workforce, and offer other benefits to the community at large.

The public is encouraged to attend our quarterly Committee public meetings currently being held via Zoom. For meeting agendas, dates, Zoom links, and locations, visit the District website at [www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure\\_a/default.aspx](http://www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure_a/default.aspx).

As members of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, we encourage others to learn how to become a future Committee member. Current and former members have found the experience of learning about bond programs and monitoring expenditures to be both personally rewarding and a satisfying way to contribute to the community.



The District Office seismic upgrade project is now completed and in financial closeout. Funded by Measure E 2014, the \$7 million project included a seismic retrofit to the existing 46,000-square-foot, six-story building and renovation and expansion to the building's first floor, all completed while employees continued to work in their offices.

## Bond Oversight Committee Members Represent County Constituencies



**Keith Archuleta**

Los Medanos College  
(LMC) Business  
Organization  
Representative



**Lee Bateman**

LMC Support  
Organization  
Representative



**Jagjit Bhambra**

District Senior  
Citizens' Organization  
Representative



**Bob Brown**

Contra Costa College  
(CCC) Business  
Organization  
Representative



**Gerardo De La Torre**

Diablo Valley College  
(DVC) Student  
Representative



**Steve Mick**

District Taxpayers'  
Organization  
Representative



**Elaine Schroth**

DVC Business  
Organization  
Representative

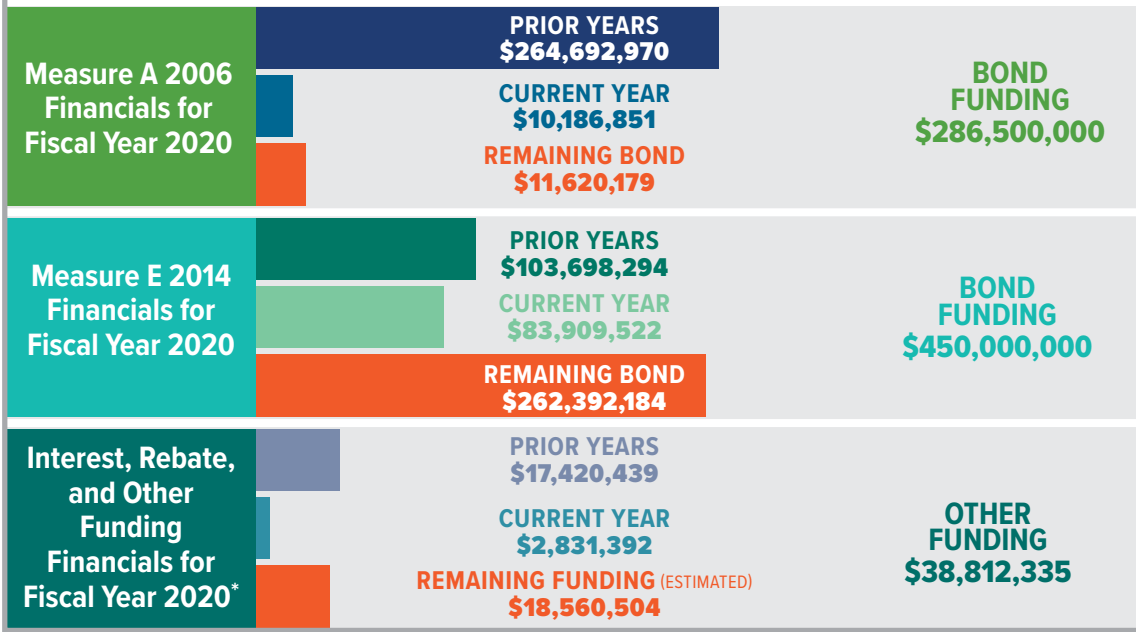


**Dr. William van Dyk**

CCC Support  
Organization  
Representative

The CCC Student Representative, DVC Student Representative and Support Organization Representative, and LMC Student Representative positions are currently unfilled.

## DISTRICTWIDE FINANCIALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020



\*Based on actual rebate and interest incurred in FY 2020.



Construction is underway on the expansion of Contra Costa College's new Physical Education/Kinesiology complex featuring a renovated gymnasium and a modernized Gym Annex.

### Districtwide and District Office Bond Program and Projects List

#### REGIONAL EDUCATION CENTERS

MEASURE A 2006: Purchase 17.5 acres for new LMC Brentwood Center (2011)

#### DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDINGS

MEASURE E 2014: Public Safety Center at CCC (2019); Public Safety Center at LMC (2019); District Office seismic repairs (2020)

#### DISTRICTWIDE INITIATIVES

MEASURE A 2006: Solar power and energy-efficiency initiatives (2008); information technology infrastructure (2014)

MEASURE E 2014: Upgrade security and access control systems\*; building systems and Districtwide energy conservation projects\*

\*UNDER CONSTRUCTION | \*\*UNDER DESIGN | \*\*\*FUTURE  
(Completed projects include year of finalization.)

See additional bond program projects on college pages.



## Sustaining Our Mission

### Message from the Chancellor Bryan Reece, Ph.D.

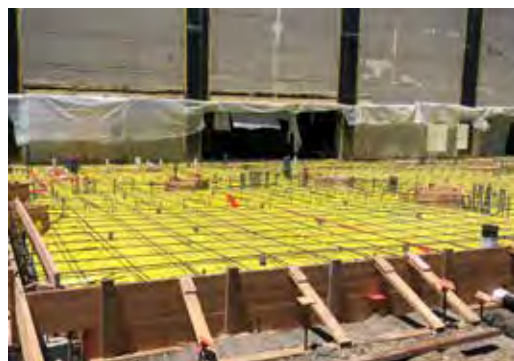
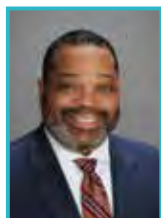
As the new chancellor of the Contra Costa Community College District (District), I am pleased to join a team that has consistently maintained the reputation of being good stewards of public funds and has promoted a level of transparency that has allowed our community to entrust in us their confidence and support. Across our District, major construction projects are underway or near completion at every site, all of which required years of planning, scheduling, and collecting valuable feedback from community members like you.

Like most of the world, our District has felt the impact of the pandemic, with our campuses swiftly transitioning to remote learning and support services. Fortunately, we were able to categorize our bond-funded construction projects as essential, so our work has continued with minimal delays and within health and safety requirements set forth by our county. My deepest appreciation goes to Interim Chancellor Gene Huff and Vice Chancellor Ines Zildzic for their leadership in this effort.

This year's annual report focuses on our growing efforts to address sustainability, which is now included in every bond-funded project we undertake. Not only are we looking at ways to be more efficient with our energy and water usage, which will help keep utility costs down, but also to tie this work to our educational mission, so our students can learn how to become environmental stewards of the future.

On behalf of the District and our Governing Board, I would like to thank Contra Costa County voters for their ongoing support and to invite all of you to our campuses to see firsthand the wonderful improvements we are making in the community. In addition, I extend my gratitude to our Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, which is made up of student, faculty, business, and community volunteers who monitor our bond program expenditures to ensure we are serving the community with integrity.

Thank you.



### New Science Center Complements Contra Costa College

Construction has been moving quickly at Contra Costa College's three-story, 50,000-square-foot Science Center, funded by Measure E bonds. The \$73 million structure will consolidate all of the college's science departments into one central building and feature a rooftop astronomy observation deck, a 55-seat planetarium, expanded biology labs and classrooms, and a

**Contra Costa College (CCC)** is the oldest and most diverse of the three colleges in the Contra Costa Community College District. Its campus, accentuated by Wildcat Creek, rests on 83 acres of beautiful natural landscaping in the rolling hills of San Pablo and Richmond. A proud Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), CCC's superior faculty and staff are dedicated to cultivating a premier learning environment that currently serves over 10,000 predominantly Latinx, African American, and Asian students annually.

CCC has been the only institution of higher learning in the West County area since its opening in 1949. It has been key to the well-being and prosperity of this socioeconomically diverse, resilient, and culturally vibrant community. The General Education, Science Center, and renovated athletics buildings that West County voters have overwhelmingly supported through generous bond measures are key to improving quality of life in our community.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ALLOCATIONS <i>Measures A &amp; E as of June 30, 2020</i>				
<b>CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE</b>	<b>2006 Capital Improvements</b>		<b>2014 Capital Improvements</b>	
	<b>BOND</b> <b>\$83,733,334</b>	<b>INTEREST, REBATE, AND OTHER FUNDING</b> <b>\$ 6,112,250</b>	<b>BOND</b> <b>\$99,715,000</b>	<b>INTEREST, REBATE, AND OTHER FUNDING</b> <b>\$5,152,200</b>
	<b>COLLEGE ALLOCATIONS \$89,845,584</b>		<b>COLLEGE ALLOCATIONS \$104,867,200</b>	
	<b>ALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS \$194,712,784</b>			

Interim President  
Damon A. Bell, Ed.D.

**YEAR EST.**  
1949

**ENROLLMENT**  
10,932 students annually

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

**LOCATION**  
2600 Mission Bell Drive  
San Pablo, CA 94806  
510.235.7800

*Counterclockwise from top: Students in the College Center; construction progresses at the expanded Physical Education/ Kinesiology complex with rebar work and steel bracing (at right) and at the new Science Center with rebar installation.*

42-foot-high glazed curtain wall through which the planetarium will be visible from the outdoors. Completion is anticipated in fall 2021 for a spring 2022 semester start.

Completion of CCC's 69,000-square-foot, renovated and expanded Physical Education/ Kinesiology complex is expected in spring 2021.

The \$39 million project, funded by Measure A 2006 and Measure E 2014 bonds, features a renovated gymnasium, locker and team rooms, and a modernized Gym Annex. Voluntary seismic scope and additional HVAC site condition work were also completed.



### CCC Bond Program Projects List

MEASURE A 2006: Athletic facilities (field/ track) renovation Phase 1 (2008); 12 kilovolt utility upgrade (2012); Athletic facilities renovation Phase 2 (2013); parking lot 16 upgrade (2015); new Student Activities and new Classroom building (2016); seismic retrofit of various buildings (2016); automated ADA doors (2018); AA Building renovation (2019); Physical Education modernization & Gym Annex remodel\*

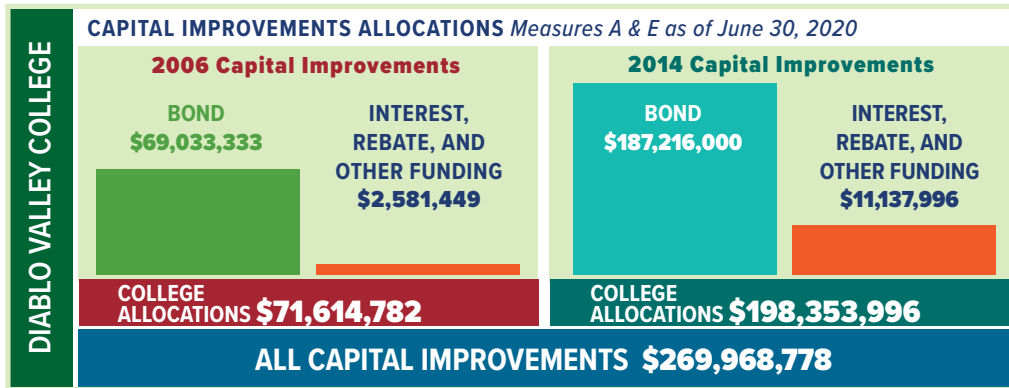
MEASURE E 2014: AA Building renovation (2019); Physical Education modernization & Gym Annex remodel\*; new Science Center\*; campus site work\*\*\*; modernize or construct Campus Operations building\*\*\*

\*UNDER CONSTRUCTION | \*\*UNDER DESIGN | \*\*\*FUTURE  
(Completed projects include year of finalization.)

With campuses in Pleasant Hill and San Ramon, **Diablo Valley College (DVC)** has distinguished itself as one of the nation's most successful community colleges. DVC offers unequaled transfer programs and exceptional career education programs and degrees to an increasingly diverse student body.

With a focus on student equity, DVC prepares all our students of today to be the leaders of tomorrow. This requires facilities designed with student learning and success in mind.

Measure E bond funds are allowing the college to update or replace aging facilities and infrastructure to ensure that our students and communities continue to receive the excellent instruction for which DVC is known. We appreciate the support that voters have shown by passing Measure E and earlier bond measures.



### Bond Projects Gather Momentum at Pleasant Hill and San Ramon Campuses

Scheduled for completion in spring 2021, the second phase of the Measure E-funded, \$47 million San Ramon Campus expansion has moved ahead with construction of the 6,000-square-foot building, which will house a new Library and Academic Support Center, a renovated Learning Commons, and a new café. Combined with the first phase of the San Ramon expansion, project cost is \$17 million.

Construction began in July of DVC's 30,000-square-foot Kinesiology/Athletics complex, with foundation work and underground utilities now completed on the new field house and adjoining faculty offices. Funded by Measure A 2006 and Measure E 2014, the \$52 million complex features an equipment room, team meeting and locker rooms, classrooms, a training room/lab, and a renovated pool and gym.



President Susan Lamb

**YEAR EST.**  
1949

**ENROLLMENT**  
27,975 students annually

**WEBSITES**  
[www.dvc.edu](http://www.dvc.edu)  
[www.dvc.edu/san-ramon](http://www.dvc.edu/san-ramon)

**PLEASANT HILL CAMPUS**  
321 Golf Club Road  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523  
925.685.1230

**SAN RAMON CAMPUS**  
1690 Watermill Road  
San Ramon, CA 94582  
925.866.1822

*From top: Students on campus; Kinesiology/Athletics complex construction; and DVC's San Ramon Campus expansion.*



### DVC Bond Program Projects List

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 (2014); new Commons area (2015); new softball bleachers/upgrades (2016); ADA barrier removal\*; Kinesiology/Athletics complex renovation\*; Engineering Technology building renovation\*\*\*

MEASURE E 2014: Infrastructure improvements—main water valves replacement (2016); building system upgrades—HVAC systems evaluation (2016); Library boiler/chiller and HVAC renovation (2016); roof

replacements, Phase I (2016); central plant feasibility (2017); Faculty Office Building condition assessment (2017); groundwater study (2017); ADA barrier removal projects\*; main electrical switchgear replacement (2019); main loop gas valves replacement (2019); campus-wide energy management system upgrades\*; western utility corridor\*; new Art Complex\*; Kinesiology/Athletics complex renovation\*; new Academic complex\*\*\*; Engineering Technology building renovation\*\*\*; Learning Center repurpose\*\*\*; future building site development\*\*\*

REGIONAL EDUCATION CENTERS MEASURE E 2014: DVC San Ramon Campus expansion\*

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(Completed projects include year of finalization.)



**LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE**



**President**  
**Bob Kratochvil, Ed.D.**

**YEAR EST.**  
 1974

**ENROLLMENT**  
 12,951 students annually

**WEBSITES**  
[www.losmedanos.edu](http://www.losmedanos.edu)  
[www.losmedanos.edu/brentwood](http://www.losmedanos.edu/brentwood)

**PITTSBURG CAMPUS**  
 2700 East Leland Road  
 Pittsburg, CA 94565  
 925.439.2181

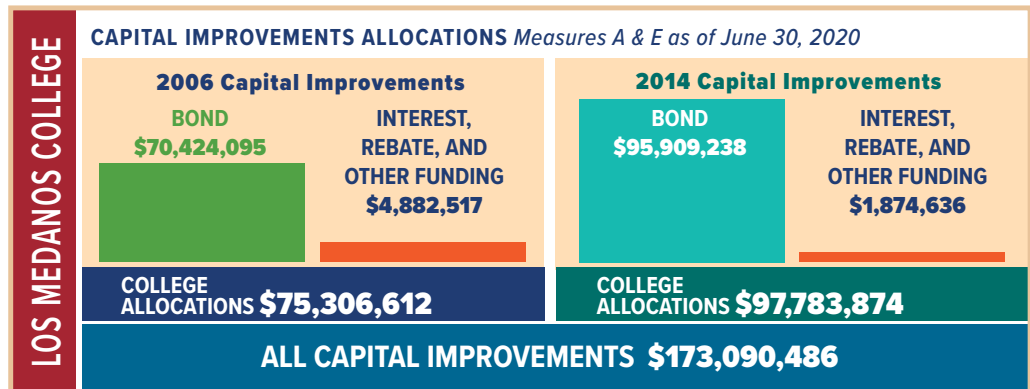
**BRENTWOOD CENTER**  
 1351 Pioneer Square  
 Brentwood, CA 94513  
 925.513.1625

*From top: Students at the college's new Student Union; landscaping in the student commons area of the new Brentwood Center; and the new Kinesiology & Athletics Complex in Pittsburg.*



**Los Medanos College (LMC)** offers award-winning transfer and career education programs, stellar support services, and diverse learning opportunities in East Contra Costa County. Our exceptional educators, innovative curricula, growing degree and certificate offerings, and strong regional partnerships focus squarely on student success. Of the 1,600 two-year institutions across the nation, LMC has three times been recognized as a “Top 150 U.S. Community College” by the Aspen Institute and was named one of the “50 Best Community Colleges” by College Choice.

We are grateful to county residents for supporting our District bond measures, enabling the college to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment in state-of-the-art facilities at our beautiful Pittsburg Campus—and at the new Brentwood Center, which was completed in fall 2020. That community investment allows LMC to continue positioning our students for success at four-year institutions, in the workforce, and beyond.



**LMC Welcomes Newly Completed Bond Projects in Brentwood and Pittsburg**

Construction has been completed on LMC's new Brentwood Center at 1351 Pioneer Square (near Marsh Creek Road and Highway 4). This permanent site is built on a 17.5-acre parcel purchased in 2011 with Measure A funds; Measure E dollars financed the construction. At 55,000 square feet, this one-story structure more than doubles the size of the center's former location in a leased space. The \$65 million project features classrooms, science labs, library resources, a

computer lab, bookstore and food services, tutorial labs, and student commons.

Financed with Measure A and Measure E bond funds, the new Student Union and Kinesiology & Athletics Complex were completed as a \$62.5 million project at the Pittsburg Campus. The lower level of the 35,400-square-foot Student Union includes a bookstore, food services area, student lounge, food pantry, and 485-seat

community conference center; the second floor houses meeting space and offices for student life programs and learning communities. The 30,000-square-foot Kinesiology & Athletics Complex features classrooms, dance/fitness studios, a dedicated workout room, fitness center, offices, locker and team sport rooms, and an athletics trainer room. Sidewalks and attractive landscaping have also been completed.

**LMC Bond Program Projects List**

MEASURE A 2006: Athletic facilities (field/track) renovation (2008); parking lot B extension (2010); Nursing and Emergency Medical Technician classrooms and labs (2012); Nursing/EMT Bio Lab remodel (2012); Student Services Area renovation (2015); gymnasium renovation (2016); tennis courts resurfacing (2016); College Complex renovations (2019); Kinesiology & Athletics Complex and Student Union (2020); ADA improvement projects (2020)

MEASURE E 2014: Tennis courts resurfacing (2016); Kinesiology & Athletics Complex and Student Union (2020); College Complex renovations (2019); mechanical system upgrades\*

**REGIONAL EDUCATION CENTERS**

MEASURE E 2014: New LMC Brentwood Center (2020)

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

(Completed projects include year of finalization.)

# Sustaining Our Future: New Buildings Transition Toward Zero Net Energy Goal

California's Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan has set a high bar to achieve a 100 percent clean energy future for the golden state. Several codes, standards, legislative actions, and executive orders are requiring California to become Zero Net Energy (ZNE), Zero Carbon or Carbon Neutral and Zero Waste. As codes and mandates shift, so must the Contra Costa Community College District's (District's) planning and implementation of those requirements, both on the capital construction side as well as for operations and infrastructure.

In a recent report to the District Governing Board, Energy & Sustainability Manager Tracy Marcial of the Facilities Planning Department noted that sustainability goals have been folded into all new bond projects and shared with campus user groups in planning building design. Buildings being designed and built currently will be considered existing buildings when many of the mandates and timelines are realized. Thus, optimizing bond funds to install highly efficient lighting, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, electric vehicle charging stations, drought-tolerant native plants, and designing for excellent indoor air quality and other features will help the District to remain on track to meet future mandates and to move closer to ZNE. These goals also tie into many of the District's existing Board policies and strategic plan objectives.

Marcial observes that while codes and mandates matter and drive design and construction choices in the District's bond projects, it is equally important to recognize how closely woven sustainability is in the District's focus on closing equity gaps. Closing equity gaps requires continued conversations, strategy, and ultimately a collective call to action to improve upon our educational systems and internal infrastructure and operations.

There are several key questions and assumptions that champions like Marcial ask themselves when providing input on construction projects or collaborating with students and faculty in broader sustainability discussions. These include understanding how the District procures and uses energy and materials, generates and disposes of waste, landscapes property, irrigates the landscape, maintains investments, and how District staff and students travel to work or school and share food. Many studies have noted that polluted air, dirty water, and soil are all associated with illnesses. These are major contributing factors to the climate crisis and as such, to increased equity gaps. While these environmental factors impact all people, they can disproportionately impact young people and future generations, people of color, and people in poverty, thereby exacerbating existing inequities and limiting opportunities.

"Energy savings and sustainability are about more than meeting mandates, although that is certainly an important goal," states Marcial. "This work involves taking care of our planet and living healthy lives—not contaminating our world. Further, research studies show that good indoor air quality and light are tied directly to education and learning, and to greater productivity and better health. We are creating access to equitable spaces to ensure all students succeed across all our campuses."

## Zero Net Energy Goals

By 2030, 50 percent of all existing buildings in California must be retrofitted to ZNE; by 2045, all buildings must be on track to achieve statewide carbon neutrality with greenhouse gas reductions.

The District's newest buildings have been designed to meet the state's requirements and are collectively moving towards electrification. Specifically, Contra Costa College's new Science Center will be ZNE ready, and Diablo Valley College's Kinesiology/ Athletics complex and Art Complex will be on track for ZNE using existing onsite photovoltaic solar energy. These projects, in addition to the recently completed new Brentwood Center and the Kinesiology & Athletics Complex and Student Union at Los Medanos College have been designed and constructed to achieve the LEED Silver goal and above.

All District buildings participate in the PG&E Savings by Design Incentive program, which has provided \$20,000 to \$150,000 in incentives per project. These dollars are slated to be reinvested in various Districtwide energy efficiency projects.

The District and the colleges have worked to maximize available bond and local funding through various grants, which, among other achievements, have enabled campuses to move forward in 2019–2020 with a set of new energy efficiency projects. One of the major accomplishments was installation of 86 new electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. Approximately \$760,000, or 88 percent of construction costs, were covered by grants secured by the District.

Sustainability committees are active at all colleges and participate in grant programs, commit to reductions in single-vehicle travel to campus, and have held biology class tours of waste/recycling facilities and other activities.

*Clockwise from top left: One of 86 new electric vehicle charging stations at District campuses; student works out at Los Medanos College's new Kinesiology & Athletics Complex; LEED educational signage; and a night view of the new Brentwood Center, targeted for LEED Gold certification.*

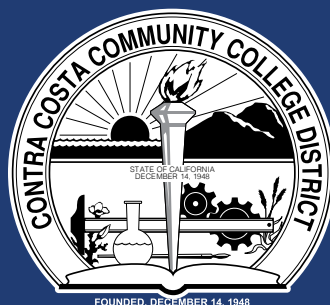


# Excellence in Student Success



## Contra Costa Community College District Governing Board

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Judy E. Walters, Ph.D., Vice President  
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Rebecca Barrett, Member  
John E. Márquez, Member  
Mansu Kim, Student Trustee



## Attend Bond Oversight Committee Meetings and Learn How Your Bond Dollars Are Spent

You can review this annual report, past reports, and a current schedule of meetings of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, which are open to the public, on the District website at [www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure\\_a/default.aspx](http://www.4cd.edu/about/committees/measure_a/default.aspx). Meetings are being held virtually until further notice.

Contra Costa Community College District is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and campus life. The District does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, marital status, national origin, parental status, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status in any access to and treatment in college programs, activities, and application for employment.

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