

# Community News

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Welcome to the **4CD Community News**, an online newsletter designed to provide news and information to our greater community. The Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) encompasses three colleges: [Contra Costa College](#) in San Pablo, [Diablo Valley College](#) in Pleasant Hill and San Ramon, and [Los Medanos College](#) in Pittsburg and Brentwood.

With nearly 50,000 students and thousands of course offerings, our colleges are open to all, and they provide associate degrees, associate degrees for transfer, certificate programs in dozens of industries, career training, athletics, student clubs, and more!

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**January 2026**

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## Trustees Advocate for Investments in Community Colleges



Community college trustees and executive leaders from around the state gathered in Sacramento January 23-26 to discuss legislative priorities and urge lawmakers to make meaningful investments in California's 116 community colleges.

Representing Contra Costa Community College District (pictured left to right) were: Director of Communications, Jennifer Ortega; Student Trustee and Contra Costa College student Sophie Khouri; Trustee Andy Li; Board President Diana Honig; Trustee Rebecca Barrett; and Chancellor Mojdeh Mehdizadeh.

Together, the 4CD team visited seven legislative offices, sharing the District's funding priorities and strategic goals.

Ms. Khouri shared her perspective as a student and student leader, detailing how important it is for the colleges to provide basic needs resources and more.

## Governing Board Votes to Place Bond Measure on June Ballot



The 4CD Governing Board voted unanimously on January 21, 2026 to place a general obligation bond measure for \$920,000,000 on the June 2, 2026 ballot. If voters approve the measure, the funds would be used to complete essential projects outlined in the District's Facilities Plans, including:

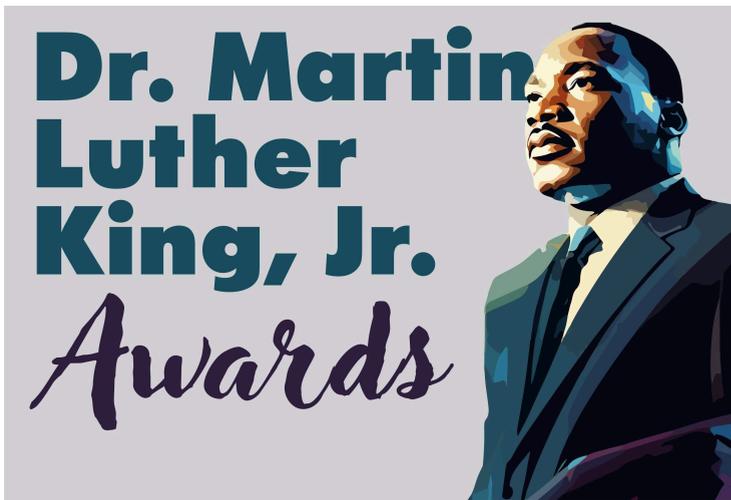
- Renovating aging classrooms, labs, and career-technical education (CTE) facilities for nursing, allied health, and emergency services programs
- Expanding job training programs in clean energy, advanced manufacturing, and other fast-growing industries
- Enhancing safety, sustainability, and accessibility
- Protecting previous investments by repairing infrastructure before it deteriorates

The bond would include independent audits, citizen oversight, and strict accountability, and it would not allocate any funds for administrative salaries. Every dollar would stay local.

[Read more.](#)

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## LMC Seeks Nominations for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards



Los Medanos College (LMC) is seeking nominations for its annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards, which recognizes community civil rights and social justice champions and students whose activism sets them apart as emerging leaders.

[Nominate someone](#) by the Feb. 1 deadline.

Award recipients will be honored at LMC's celebration on Feb. 26.

Award Categories:

#### **Emerging Leadership Award**

The Emerging Leadership Award recognizes an LMC student or alumnus who embodies the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and, who within the past year, has made a significant difference on the LMC campus or in the local community through advocacy and social justice.

#### **Visionary Leadership Award**

The Visionary Leadership Award recognizes a member of the East Contra Costa County community who demonstrates the qualities of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Visionary Leadership Award honors individuals who embody Dr. King's strengths as a transformational, servant leader.

#### **Beloved Community Award**

The Beloved Community Award is presented to a local resident who has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to service and who best represents the core values modeled by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Beloved Community Award is inspired by the term popularized by Dr. King – a global vision in which, as noted by The King Center: all people can share in the wealth of the earth; poverty, hunger, and homelessness will not be tolerated; racism and all forms of discrimination, bigotry, and prejudice will be replaced by an all-inclusive spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood; and love and trust will triumph over fear and hatred.

[Submit Your Nomination](#)

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Still Time to Enroll: Spring Classes Open Now

All three colleges - Contra Costa, Diablo Valley, and Los Medanos - still have open classes this semester, and it's not too late to register.

Explore the online schedules to find in-person, hybrid, and fully online options that fit your life and your goals. Don't wait—the deadline to add a full-term class is **Sunday, February 8**.

If the class you want has already started, you can still register with authorization from the instructor through your online education plan.

[Learn more](#) about late registration.

[CCC Class Schedule](#)

[DVC Class Schedule](#)

[LMC Class Schedule](#)



## Join Feb. 2 Webinar to Learn How to Get Hired at a Community College

Contra Costa Community College District to  
Offer Free Workshops on

# "How to Get Hired at a California Community College"

Join us on Zoom the first Monday of every Month



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Considering applying for a new job? Explore the possibilities at California community colleges through a live virtual workshop on **Monday, February 2** at 7 p.m.

4CD's Associate Vice Chancellor, Chief Human Resources Officer Dr. Jeffrey Michels will lead our monthly "How to Get Hired at a Community College" workshop.

Anyone seeking work at a California Community College in any area, including classified positions (i.e. business services, custodial, program coordinators, instructional assistants, athletic trainers); faculty positions (instructional, counselors, and librarians); as well as management positions, is encouraged to attend.

The workshop is free and open to all. When it's time for the webinar, please log on using this link: <https://bit.ly/4CDHowToGetHired>

California has 116 community colleges across the state, and they are major employers in nearly every county. Jobs range from hourly part-time work to lifetime careers with terrific benefits and retirement plans.

**Join us February 2!**



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