

2021

PROPOSITIONS S AND N ANNUAL REPORT SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MESA COLLEGE QUADRANGLE

San Diego Mesa College's final bond project — the campus Quadrangle — was completed in the fall, becoming the physical "heart" of the college and providing a main thoroughfare through campus.

"We envision this as the bustling center for the Mesa campus with the focus on creating a sense of belonging for all students and providing them easy access to adjacent campus resources," said Mesa College President Pamela T. Luster. To make room for the quad, the outdated I- and J-buildings were demolished, creating an expansive outdoor venue for social gathering with terraced seating and benched tables and an outdoor stage area. The design includes strategically placed walkways to help students and visitors navigate the campus. The project's landscaping plan includes native and drought-tolerant plants, and a computerbased, high-efficiency irrigation system.



Message from the Chair

The Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) for the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) is pleased to present our 2021 Annual Report, detailing the progress of the District's \$1.555-billion construction bond program comprised of Proposition S, a \$685-million bond passed in 2002, and Proposition N, an \$870-million bond passed in 2006. Together, they have provided the construction of new state-of-the-art instructional and career training facilities, major modernizations, parking, public safety and accessibility upgrades, and extensive infrastructure work at San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar colleges, and seven College of Continuing Education campuses.

This past year saw the completion of the Early Education Center at City College and the Mesa College Quadrangle. It also marked the opening of the first phase of the regional Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC), one of four joint-use projects funded or partially funded by the bond program.

With interest income, bond monies now

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lana enjoys time playing with one of City College's child development instructors inside the recently opened 10,000-square-foot Early Education Center.

Early Education Center Opens at City College

In June, San Diego City College opened its newest building, the Early Education Center (EEC) that will not only educate students studying child development but also provide childcare for students with children.

The center supports City College's Child Development program, which offers core courses leading to associate degrees in child development and elementary teacher education for transfer to fouryear colleges and universities. The new 10,000-square-foot center provides child development classrooms for infant, toddler, and preschool children; faculty and staff support spaces; a kitchen; a lobby and reception area; and a faculty conference room. It also includes an expansive playground space and outdoor learning areas.

"A lot of City College students are also parents, and this is great for them," said student Pearla Herrera, whose toddler is enrolled in the preschool program.

Approximately \$900,000 in Proposition S was allocated to the Early Education Center project; the remainder of the \$12.5 million budget utilized City of San Diego redevelopment funding.

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The COC finds the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b) (3) of the California Constitution, based on the review of the annual financial and performance audit report and information received at COC meetings and subcommittee meetings. All financial reports and meeting documents are online at props-n.sdccd.edu along with a summary of COC oversight activities, and our annual meeting calendar.

Report prepared by the COC Communications Subcommittee; Ursula Kroemer Leimbach, Leimbach Communications Group; and the SDCCD Communications and Public Relations Office.

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total \$1.63 billion. Of this, approximately 99% has been expended. In October, the COC reviewed and approved a proposal to amend the ballot resolutions to add a final, districtwide project to address important safety measures, including security systems and improvements to police communications throughout the District, and equipment and information technology systems to support this effort. The total project cost will depend on the finalized scope, but an estimate of costs is \$3-5 million. The intent is to address needs that will use bond funds remaining from savings in previous projects. The District's Board of Trustees approved the amendment in November.

Once again, as in each year since the bond program's inception, SDCCD has earned top bond ratings and clean audits demonstrating and certifying that all bond projects and expenditures are authorized and properly accounted for. Transparency and accountability to our public remain top priorities. All materials are posted on the Propositions S and N website at props-n. sdccd.edu.

The COC continues to meet, albeit virtually at this time, and your participation is welcome and encouraged.

Bob Kiesling Chair

Ribbon cutting marks completion of first phase of joint-use project



Pictured at right: Miramar College Vice President of Instruction Michael Odu and Dean of Public Safety Linda Woods, SDCCD Board of Trustees President Maria Nieto Senour, Chancellor Carlos O. Turner Cortez, and Miramar College President P. Wesley Lundburg San Diego Miramar College has trained thousands of San Diego's first responders and continues that tradition in partnering with the County and City to contribute funding for the new Emergency Vehicle Operations Center (EVOC) in Otay Mesa. Learn more at youtu.be/wH5XTKuQobo.



CUMULATIVE EXP*

(MILLIONS)

\$0,921

\$30.4

\$38.5

STATUS

Closeout

Ongoing

Ongoing

STATUS OF PROPOSITIONS S AND N PROJECTS IN 2021

PROJECT BUDGET

(MILLIONS)

PROPOSITIONS AND PROJECTS

CITY COLLEGE

- Child Development Center (Majority of project's \$12.5 million budget is funded by S \$0.522 City of San Diego redevelopment funds; Proposition S funds cover maiority of soft costs) MESA COLLEGE Infrastructure - Fire Lane/Chiller Ν \$21.6 Plant/IT/Mesa Quad **MIRAMAR COLLEGE** Infrastructure Phase Two - Vernal Pools, Signage, Southern Campus Improvements, Black Mountain \$42.8 **Road Entrance**
- * Cumulative Expenditures through 12.31.2021

For greater financial detail of the 80+ individual project line items, please view the Project Summary Table at props-n.sdccd.edu/ About/Related%20Resources/Rainbow%20Report.pdf. Other financial reports are available on the bond program website at props-n.sdccd.edu. As part of normal project close-out, projects may continue to incur expenditures past the completion of construction. This may include changes made as part of overall campus facility master plans or enhancements.