

Building Successful Futures at San Diego's Community Colleges November 2024 – Education Facilities Bond









Our Mission

The San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) is dedicated to providing accessible, high-quality education and support services to a diverse student population. Our mission is to empower students to achieve their educational goals and contribute to our community's economic, cultural, and social vitality.

SDCCD significantly impacts the community and generates a return on investment for its students, taxpayers, and society. SDCCD's four colleges, City College, Mesa College, Miramar College, and the College of Continuing Education, prepare students to enter San Diego's workforce or to go on to higher education to train for careers requiring advanced degrees. **One out of every 46 jobs** in San Diego County is held by a former SDCCD student.

Our Challenges

As San Diego's leading institution for job training - including for first responders, nurses, emergency medical technicians, and, increasingly, for careers in biotechnology, cyber defense, and sustainability fields - SDCCD must continue to provide cutting-edge academic and career training facilities and technologies required to be responsive to continuously changing industry needs driven by global workforce industry changes and demographics.

Over the last decade, the education and training needed to fill jobs in our regional economy have continued to evolve due to new technologies and economic changes. Many jobs in demand today did not exist a decade ago, and new training programs are needed to meet this evolving workforce demand. In addition, the needs of community college students for affordable housing, transportation, childcare, and food have impacted students with challenging roadblocks in their ability to continue their education and job training programs.

San Diego's community colleges urgently need to upgrade and repair outdated facilities and offer new state-ofthe-art educational facilities to better prepare students for successful careers that will support their families and contribute to our region's economic growth.

Addressing The Needs of Our Students

Each of our colleges has developed a comprehensive facility plan identifying priority projects that could be funded by a new bond measure proposed for 2024. For SDCCD to successfully educate San Diego's future workforce, new local bond funding is needed to repair, update, and replace aging and outdated educational facilities.

SDCCD has not had a bond measure on the ballot for more than 15 years, and during that time, all available bond funding has been used to replace aging facilities. But during the last two decades, district educational facilities not covered by previous bonds have continued to age and need repair and replacement. There is a growing need for new facilities to house advanced job training and educational programs.

SDCCD has an exceptional track record in voter-approved bond funding. To learn more about previous bonds, visit https://www.sdccd.edu/docs/FacilitiesServices/coc/meetingdocs/20230109/3--propSN-COC_annualReport2022_FINAL.pdf.



Priority Projects for the SDCCD 2024 Bond Measure

The District will include a comprehensive list of needed facilities as part of the new bond measure that will be presented to the Board of Trustees and be placed before the voters on the November 2024 ballot.

The 2024 Bond Measure will focus on the much-needed educational facilities our college campuses need to successfully meet the demands of our future workforce. The 2024 Bond will help SDCCD continue to build successful futures for our students by:

- Upgrading job training facilities for high-wage jobs in construction, electrical, manufacturing, auto technology & computer technology,
- Upgrading classrooms and labs to train nurses and other health care workers,
- Creating new childcare facilities for student families,
- Upgrading instructional technology for Science, Engineering, Arts & Math programs,
- Upgrading classrooms and labs for firefighter/paramedic and other 1st responder programs,
- Repairing outdated, deteriorating classrooms, labs, and college buildings,
- Creating facilities for training for vets and active-duty military,
- Increasing the use of solar/renewable energy to reduce energy costs and benefit the environment.
- Creating new affordable student housing to help address San Diego's housing shortage.

San Diego City College

- First-ever affordable Student Housing & Support Services Complex
- New childcare facilities
- New Student Services & Dining Facility
- New state-of-the-art classrooms, performance arts labs, and facilities
- · Renovations to aging facilities with energy-efficient HVAC system replacement

San Diego Mesa College

- New Child Development Center and childcare facilities
- New Language Arts Center, Veterans Services, and Student Services Complex
- · New state-of-the-art classrooms, labs, and performance arts facilities
- New Kinesiology labs and classrooms
- Affordable Student Housing & Support Services Complex

San Diego Miramar College

- New aviation technology and training facility
- Multiple building renovations to improve classroom space, energy efficiency, and safety
- New Child Development Center
- New Student Center/ Language Arts Complex and Performing Arts buildings
- New Student Support Center

San Diego College of Continuing Education

- Upgrade to a state-of-the-art Welding Shop at the Educational Cultural Complex (ECC)
- Upgrade to a state-of-the-art Auto Body Lab at ECC
- Upgrades to Continuing Education Centers to support state-of-the-art job training programs
- New Childcare Centers and Health Centers







