



Community Update

September 2014

Message From the CEO

A resolution to place a \$100 million facilities bond measure on the November 4, 2014 ballot was approved at the July 15 Compton Community College District (CCCD) Board meeting.

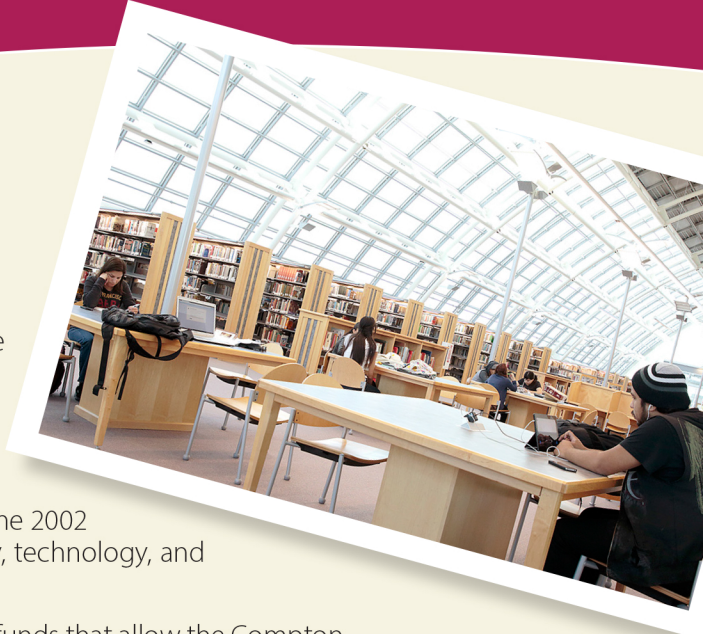
Measure C is necessary to complete the facilities upgrades needed at the 62-year-old Compton campus and continue the progress made in the past 12 years, since the passing of the 2002 facilities bond. Measure C will help us make important safety, technology, and energy-saving improvements to District facilities.

If approved by voters on November 4, Measure C will provide funds that allow the Compton Community College District to upgrade classrooms, labs, infrastructure, and instructional equipment, while making health and safety repairs and energy efficiency improvements. These updates will enable the District to maintain El Camino College Compton Center as a valuable community resource that provides affordable, local education, increases access to education for all local residents, and prepares students and returning veterans for university transfer or entry to a successful career.

With the University of California and California State systems becoming increasingly expensive, by as much as six times more than the cost of community college, students are relying on El Camino College Compton Center more than ever to reach their academic goals. Investments in community colleges are critical to continue offering high-quality, affordable education and job training.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "KC", is positioned above the name of the Chief Executive Officer.

Keith Curry
Chief Executive Officer
Compton Community College District



The cost of Measure C would be \$25/year per \$100,000 assessed - not market - property value.



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Q: What is Measure C?

A: Measure C is a local facilities bond measure ensuring that local students continue to have access to high-quality, affordable education and the job training programs they need for jobs of today and the future.

Q: Why is Measure C important now?

A: Much of El Camino College Compton Center's facilities were constructed more than 62 years ago. While these facilities have been carefully maintained, they are in urgent need of replacement and renovations to ensure quality higher education for the local community. Classroom technology, science labs, nursing, automotive, and career education programs require up-to-date improvements.

Problems include: outdated electrical systems and wiring incompatible with computer technology and Internet access; aging laboratories and equipment; hazardous materials like asbestos and lead paint; decaying walls; leaky roofs; and classrooms with inefficient heating and ventilation systems; deteriorating gas/sewer lines and plumbing system; outdated fire safety and emergency lighting; insufficient handicap access.

Planned upgrades will feature updates to aging classrooms and buildings to best prepare students and veterans for good paying, in-demand jobs and university transfers.



Q: How will Measure C save the Compton Community College District money?

A: Both new construction and the renovations made to existing facilities promote environmentally responsible, cost-effective, healthier places to work and study.

As part of the Phase 1 Infrastructure project funded by state capital outlay monies, the new state-of-the-art Central Plant supplies cooling for all existing buildings, as well as future expansion throughout the Compton Community College District grounds. This energy efficient approach will improve reliability and reduce the energy costs for the District by \$220,000 per year.

Measure C will help provide funds that cannot be taken away by the state and enable the Compton Community College District to qualify for state matching funds.



Are Asking About Measure C

Q: How is El Camino College Compton Center providing greater access to a college education for Compton Community College District students?

A: Beginning with summer 2012, ECC Compton Center began offering priority registration to in-District high school graduates.

Priority Registration is available to graduates of high schools within the Compton Community College District: Compton, Lynwood, Paramount and Willowbrook, as well as portions of Athens, Bellflower, Carson, Downey, Dominguez, Lakewood, North Long Beach, and South Gate.

Q: What are some of the academic and career education programs available at El Camino College Compton Center?

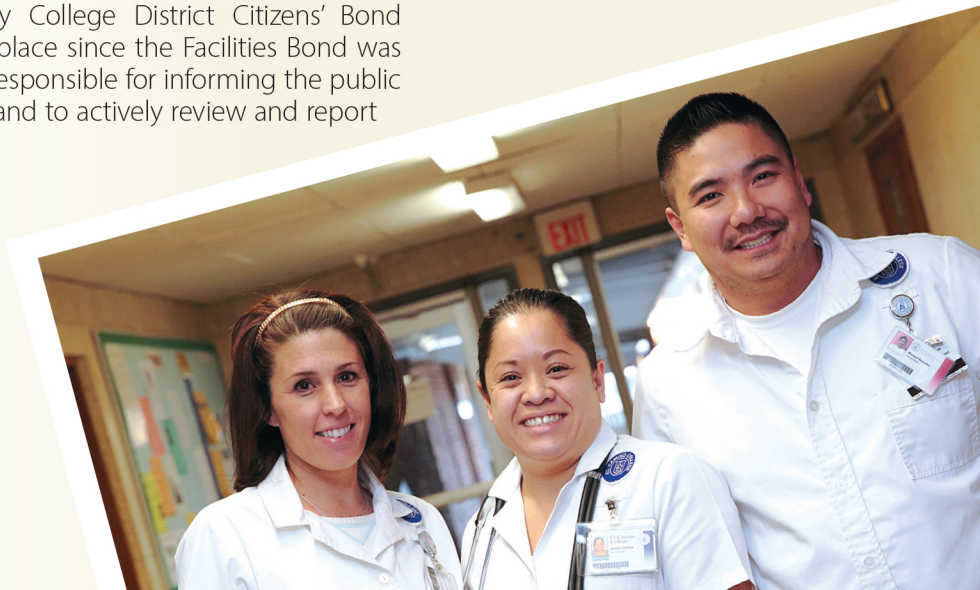
A: Each year, Compton Center's 13,500 students participate in 42 associate degree programs and 20 certificate programs in areas such as aerospace fastener manufacturing, business accounting, early childhood education, machine tool technology, and nursing, to name a few. El Camino College Compton Center's academic programs prepare students for jobs and transfer to four-year universities.

The Career & Technical Education Program offers more than 11 occupational programs for those beginning a career, or needing to develop new and upgraded skills for a specific profession.

Q: How can I be sure Measure C funds are spent properly?

A: By law, money from any proposed bond may only be spent on buildings, classrooms, or instructional equipment. No funds may be used for employee salaries or pensions. All bond funds are locally controlled. The State of California is prohibited from taking any bond funds from the District. Once a bond is successfully passed, an independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee safeguards all funds and ensures they are spent as authorized.

An existing Compton Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee has been in place since the Facilities Bond was approved by voters in 2002 and is responsible for informing the public about bond revenue expenditures and to actively review and report on the expenditure of bond funds.





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Measure C

Official Compton Community College District BOND BALLOT QUESTION

To update aging classrooms/buildings, prepare students/returning Veterans for good-paying jobs/university transfer, repair deteriorating gas/sewer lines, electrical wiring/leaky roofs, improve classroom technology, handicapped accessibility, science labs, nursing, automotive/other career education programs, upgrade campus safety/security; repair, construct/acquire facilities, sites/equipment, shall Compton Community College District issue \$100 million in bonds at legal rates, with independent financial audits, and all funds to be used locally?

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No



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