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Thank You, Sonoma County Voters

The Measure H bond program was approved by Sonoma County voters in November 2014 to support students, faculty and staff of the Sonoma County Junior College District (SCJCD). The funds are earmarked to upgrade facilities, address overcrowding and enhance the educational experience for students. For more information about the program and its progress, the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee's (CBOC) past and upcoming meetings, agendas, activity and financial reports, and policies, go to bond.santarosa.edu.



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Key Facts About Your Community College

- Founded in 1918, SRJC has served Sonoma County for over 100 years
- SRJC continues to be ranked #1 among the 116 California community colleges for scholarships awarded to students
- SRJC awarded over \$4.2 million in scholarships during 2021–2022, the largest amount for any District
- In 2022, SRJC enrolled approximately 21,000 students each semester
- Most common degrees awarded: Social & Behavioral Sciences, Natural Sciences, Psychology, Business Administration, Nursing ADN, Humanities, Pre-Allied Health, Sociology
- Most common certificates earned: Basic Policy Academy, Firefighter Academy, Culinary Arts: Baking and Pastry, Child Development Teacher, Veterinary Technician, Bookkeeper
- Based on a study conducted in 2015, the local economic impact of SRJC totaled \$1.6 billion and nearly 28,000 jobs



MEASURE H CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT BOND

2022 - 2023
Report to the Community

Petaluma Campus
Public Safety Training Center
Santa Rosa Campus
Shone Farm
SRJC Roseland



A Message from the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Chair

On behalf of the Sonoma County Junior College District (SCJCD) Measure H Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC), it is a pleasure to present this year's annual report to the community. The report represents the work performed in fiscal year 2022–2023, including the audited financial information on the projects. The Committee met quarterly and was regularly apprised of ongoing bond activity. SCJCD and the CBOC remain committed to transparency on how the Measure H bond dollars are spent, and are happy to report that the District is fully in compliance with projects described in the bond. Moreover, the Measure H financial audits concluded with no findings.

\$125 million in improvements were successfully implemented in the first phase of the Measure H program as part of the Series A bond sale. In 2019, \$180 million in Series B bonds were successfully sold and expended or committed by Fall 2022. As a result, the Board of Trustees approved up to \$105 million in Series C bonds, the third and final series of bonds under Measure H. The Committee has appreciated how quickly projects have been completed, often ahead of schedule, and how project teams have addressed any issues that arise, such as weather delays or supply chain issues, and always looking for the most cost-effective solutions. Staff has kept the Committee fully informed on project updates and quarterly expenditures, and is responsive to our requests for information. As community representatives, we take our role as stewards of taxpayer dollars very seriously, and as community members, we enjoy celebrating the projects at groundbreakings and ribbon cuttings. All five SRJC sites have benefited from the community's investment in SCJCD. Students and faculty are taking advantage of the new technology upgrades, health and safety improvements, renovations, and newly constructed spaces. As Sonoma County residents, we are very proud of our shared investment in our community.

During this reporting period, CBOC members had the pleasure of participating in two Measure H events. Last fall, SRJC held the ribbon cutting for the newly renovated Garcia Hall, which is now home to the Communication Studies Department. Built in 1936, Garcia Hall is one of the District's Heritage Hall buildings and has housed many programs through the decades. The new renovation preserved the building's historical beauty and incorporated state-of-the-art functionality for the various programs, including a 49-seat theater, media lab, and news room. All faculty under one roof, too.

In Spring 2023, we attended the groundbreaking for SRJC Roseland. This project has been a long time in the making. On behalf of the Committee, we want to thank Dr. Frank Chong for his leadership and the vision he brought to Sonoma County. Dr. Chong's door was always open and he made time for everyone. We have all benefited from Dr. Chong's expertise and guidance, candor and humor. Thank you, Dr. Chong, for leaving SRJC better than when you found it.

It is an honor and privilege to serve our community as a member of the CBOC. It is our goal to ensure that Measure H bond dollars are used in accordance to the voter-approved bond measure.

Michael Coutré, Chair Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

A Message from the Sonoma County Junior College District Superintendent/President Emeritus

For more than 100 years, Santa Rosa Junior College has provided educational opportunities to approximately 1.7 million graduates, transforming lives through the power of education. When Sonoma County voters approved the school improvement bond Measure H in November 2014, SRJC's physical footprint and learning environments began undergoing transformations, too. Every site has benefited from Sonoma County's investment in education. Together, we have faced many challenges since SRJC's founding in 1918. And together, we have found ways to evolve and grow in order to accommodate the diverse needs of our students and community.

Some recent challenges, including the wildfires and the pandemic, required increased resiliency and flexibility, creativity and commitment. We have embraced fighting climate change by continuing our work to reduce our carbon footprint and increase sustainability. Measure H projects incorporate a number of initiatives that lower the District's use of energy and water, and subsequently lower the District's operating costs. Additionally, the Quinn Central Plant includes a reclaimed water tank that will help us be more resilient by reducing our water use and serving as emergency fire water.

We could not have anticipated the COVID-19 pandemic when Measure H passed, which required us to adapt to new ways of learning, teaching, working, and socializing. The Measure H project list included upgrading technology infrastructure, information, wireless, and computer systems, and equipment, providing essential tools for remote learning and student services. After returning to campus, we can now incorporate best practices using hybrid models to provide better inclusion and representation for all SRJC community members. We are steadfast in our dedication to student well-being and education.

I am also especially proud of the SRJC Roseland Renovation Project, which is the fulfillment of a promise I made to the community when I first came to the District. In Spring 2022, we used Measure H funding to purchase property we had leased from the Wright School District for over thirteen years. In May 2023, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to change the name of the site to SRJC Roseland (formerly Southwest Center) to better reflect our commitment to the community it serves. That same month, we broke ground and celebrated with a well-attended ceremonial groundbreaking and fiesta.

Other Measure H projects completed during the 2022–2023 fiscal year reporting period include District-wide security upgrades; the beautiful renovation of Garcia Hall, now the Communication Studies Department's home; the SRJC Foundation office building, with a stunning mural by SRJC alumna Maria de los Angeles, and the Bussman Hall Information Technology Renovation. The new Student Information System project kicked off this spring, too, and will take two to three years to fully implement.

I am so proud of all the work we have accomplished and will accomplish, thanks to Measure H. While this is my last message for the CBOC annual report prior to my retirement, I hope to attend ribbon cuttings for projects currently in construction. By the time this report is delivered to your home, SRJC will be in the capable hands of the newly appointed Superintendent / President Dr. Angélica García. I know she joins me in thanking you, Sonoma County, for supporting Measure H and SRJC. We couldn't do this without you.



Dr. Frank Chong

Dr. Frank Chong, Superintendent/President Emeritus

The Sonoma County Junior College District does not discriminate on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, ethnic group identification, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic condition, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information or sexual orientation in any of its policies, procedures or practices; nor does the District discriminate against any employees or applicants for employment on the basis of their age. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission, access and treatment in District programs and activities—including but not limited to academic admissions, financial aid, educational services and athletics—and application for District employment. The Sonoma County Junior College District is an equal opportunity employer.

We acknowledge that we gather at Santa Rosa Junior College on the territorial traditional land of the Pomo People in Santa Rosa and the Coast Miwok People in Petaluma, past and present, and honor with gratitude the land itself and the people who have stewarded it throughout the generations.



MEASURE H UPDATES - HIGHLIGHTS

By Fall 2022, two thirds of classes were live on campus with many more students, faculty and staff having the opportunity to enjoy the new and newly renovated buildings on the Santa Rosa Campus, the Petaluma Campus, and the Public Safety Training Center. We celebrated the beautifully renovated Garcia Hall, an SRJC Heritage Building, with a ribbon cutting and tours of the Communication Studies Department's new home. In our last report, we mentioned that thanks to Measure H, the District was able to purchase property leased for over thirteen years from the Wright Unified School District in order to serve the Roseland Community. A groundbreaking ceremony was held in May 2023 on this major new construction and renovation project for what is now named SRJC Roseland.

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Bussman Hall Information Technology Department Renovation - This project modernizes the existing IT Department offices and the scope included demolition and asbestos abatement, new flooring, paint, casework, cubicles, and audio visual equipment. New walls were added at the IT Help Desk area to provide acoustic separation between offices and public space. Additionally, two existing offices were combined to create a new meeting room.

Garcia Hall Renovation Project - Garcia Hall opened its doors to students, faculty and staff in Fall 2022 and celebrated the new home of the Communication Studies Department with a well-attended ribbon cutting. The Garcia Hall Renovation project retained the historical beauty of the 1936 Heritage building while creating an elegant and modern learning environment that will serve students for many years to come. The project included lead and asbestos abatement, new roofing and the renovation of four large classrooms, two workrooms, two conference rooms, and ten faculty offices and is now home of the Communication Studies Department and the student-led Oak Leaf Multi-media News Room.

SRJC Foundation Building - The new single story office building provides offices, meeting rooms and event space for the SRJC Foundation, including a large conference room. Construction began in Spring 2022 and was finished ahead of schedule with staff moving in over winter break.

Shone Farm Ag Portable Classroom Project - The renovated portable classroom buildings have two classrooms, one computer lab, and one student collaborative space. The buildings are equipped with LED displays, document cameras, and other IT equipment to enhance teaching and learning.

Tauzer Gymnasium Swing Space at Analy Village - In order to begin the Tauzer Gymnasium Renovation, Analy Village was renovated in order to house the following programs: Dance, Fitness classes (pilates and yoga), the Weight Room, Wrestling, and Sports Medicine. The equipment room will open full time in Summer 2023.

PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION

Student Information System (SIS) Project - Implementation kickoff for this \$13 million project took place in Spring 2023. The District released a Request for Proposals in 2021 for new software and a consultant to assist in the software selection process and facilitate demonstrations. After conducting extensive system demonstrations and gathering feedback from the college community, the selection steering committee recommended moving forward with Banner, a student information system designed specifically for higher education. This District-wide initiative will take two to three years to fully implement. Various modules will have their own individual timelines of design, configuration, test and launch, with the system cutover scheduled to occur in Summer 2025.

Lindley Center for STEM Education - Groundbreaking for the new 100,000-square-foot STEM building took place in October 2020, and construction of this beautiful new modern science facility is well underway. This state-of-the-art facility will replace the college's science and math buildings, W.W. Shuhaw Hall and George Bech Hall and is scheduled to open to students in Fall 2023.

SRJC Roseland Renovation Project - This project will contain two phases, with Phase 1 now underway. The SRJC Roseland Renovation Project includes the creation of a new welcome center that will provide administrative, student services and classroom facilities, the modernization of existing classrooms, expanded parking, and two new quads to host activities, and renovation of Heritage Hall, which will provide students and faculty with two flex computer labs.

PROJECTS IN DESIGN

- 1. Petaluma Tutorial Remodel
- 2. Petaluma Media Services & Information Technology Remodel
- 3. Tauzer Gymnasium Renovation
- 4. Kunde Hall Renovation Project
- 5. Emeritus Roofing & HVAC Modernization Project



ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS

The Measure H Bond Projects Program budgeted over \$35 million for energy conservation and sustainability projects based on recommendations in the 2016 Facilities Master Plan. With every Measure H project, sustainable features are incorporated into the renovation, design and construction in order to be efficient and to reduce the District's carbon footprint. The Quinn Central Plant project is key to helping the District meet its aggressive Net Zero sustainability goals and includes a reclaimed water tank that will pump and catch fifty thousand gallons of water a day for irrigation use, toilet flushing, and process cooling. Measure H Energy and Sustainability Projects are anticipated to reap a major Return on Investment while reducing the District's carbon footprint:

- Photovoltaic Arrays (Petaluma Campus, Santa Rosa Campus, and Shone Farm) will reduce the District's greenhouse gas emissions by 7%, provide 90% of electrical use at Petaluma Campus, 35% at Santa Rosa Campus, and 90% at Shone Farm, for combined annual utility savings of over \$825,000.
- Installation of LED lights throughout the District will result in annual savings of \$300,000.
- The Geothermal Plant Project heats and cools campus buildings without fossil fuels and will provide annual cost savings of \$120,000.
- The Quinn Central Plant uses electric chillers and will reduce natural gas usage to only the coldest of days, and mitigates the District's risk to rising electricity and natural gas costs. Anticipated annual savings of \$150,000.

To learn more about how SRJC continues to be at the forefront of sustainability and serves as a model for other institutions of higher learning, please read the Sustainable SRJC Report at sustainability.santarosa.edu/2023-report



PROJECTS IN PROCESS

BUILDING PROJECTS

Lindley Center for STEM Education
SRJC Roseland (formerly SRJC Southwest Center)
Petaluma Tutorial Center Relocation
Petaluma Media Services Relocation
Petaluma Kitchen Upgrade

DISTRICTWIDE SYSTEMS UPGRADES

Electrical, Plumbing, Heating, Ventilation
and Mechanical Systems Upgrades
Roof Repairs and Replacement

DISTRICTWIDE MEDIA SERVICES AND IT UPGRADES

Classroom Media Upgrades
Newman Hall Audio Visual Upgrade



SRJC MEASURE H GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROJECTS

Schedule of Measure H bond proceeds, including project expenditures from 7/1/2015 through 6/30/2023		ANTICIPATED BUDGET	CUMULATIVE REVENUE & EXPENDITURES
REVENUE			
Proceeds from Bond Sale		410,000,000	410,000,000
Interest & Rebates		10,196,181	8,196,181
TOTAL REVENUE		\$420,196,181	\$418,196,181
EXPENDITURES			
Eligible Bond Program Costs		12,029,439	9,263,374
Program Planning and Project Development		8,000,000	7,168,329
EXPANSION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION			
W. Terry Lindley Center for Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM)		67,253,580	51,515,406
Jeff Kunde Hall		27,066,149	25,226,157
Roseland Center Modular Buildings		22,877,545	6,436,642
Petaluma Campus Science Laboratory		7,768,300	7,768,300
Property Acquisition		3,021,397	3,021,397
Swing Space		6,490,121	6,458,713
Shone Farm Various Upgrades, including Harvest Facility		7,159,631	7,011,391
Public Safety Training Center Advanced Labs and Classrooms		47,104	47,104
Parking and Traffic Improvements		3,328,131	2,923,026
Facility and Site Demolition		1,492,202	1,320,666
Demonstration Classrooms		491,556	491,556
Veterans Affairs Expansion		386,120	386,120
SUBTOTAL: EXPANSION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION		\$147,381,836	\$112,606,478
RENOVATION AND MODERNIZATION			
Luther Burbank Auditorium Renovation		38,579,147	38,565,210
Kinesiology, Athletics & Dance Renovations (Track, Pool, Field turf, Quinn & Haehli)		34,618,954	34,118,952
C. J. Tauzer Gym Renovation - Health, Physical Education & Wellness Center		19,337,882	1,016,852
Emeritus Hall Renovation		500,000	416,551
Petaluma Campus Student Services and Food Service		8,300,406	7,310,960
Public Safety Training Center Modernization		7,317,594	7,017,595
A. M. Garcia Hall Renovation		6,176,458	6,159,113
Peter W. Bussman Hall Modernization		2,499,995	2,403,315
Milo Baker Hall Renovation		2,048,649	2,048,649
Foundation Renovation		3,092,771	3,092,772
Lawrence A. Bertolini Hall Modernization		1,440,645	1,440,645
Albert Maggini Hall Modernization		1,400	1,400
Bernard C. Plover Hall Remodel		975,851	935,586
Pioneer Hall Modernization		80,632	80,632
Lounibos Remodel		199,999	83,271
Project Oversight		13,685	13,685
Miscellaneous Projects Greater Than \$50,000 Per Project		2,378,156	2,465,502
Minor Projects Less Than \$50,000 Per Project		2,134,835	1,967,899
SUBTOTAL: RENOVATION AND MODERNIZATION		\$129,697,059	\$109,138,589
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY			
Instructional Computing		14,500,000	5,321,741
Student Information System		13,000,000	2,116,527
Media Services		7,499,999	5,819,548
Faculty and Staff Computers		7,200,000	6,912,213
Frank P. Doyle and Herold Mahoney Libraries		3,000,000	2,597,135
Network Infrastructure Equipment		3,999,998	3,684,802
Network Upgrade		3,999,999	3,938,200
Equipment for Student Services, Administration, Human Resources, Police		799,999	557,593
SUBTOTAL: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		\$53,999,995	\$30,947,759
INFRASTRUCTURE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS			
Energy Conservation and Sustainability Projects		36,218,670	36,095,955
Miscellaneous Maint./Repairs Greater Than \$50,000 Per Project		13,913,054	13,906,582
Minor Maintenance and Repairs Less Than \$50,000 Per Project		1,675,856	1,620,482
SUBTOTAL: INFRASTRUCTURE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS		\$51,807,580	\$51,623,019
HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS			
Access Control		9,870,000	9,574,690
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance		4,000,000	95,043
SUBTOTAL: HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS		\$13,870,000	\$9,669,733
Contingencies / TBD		3,410,272	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$420,196,181	\$330,417,281