

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE M
COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE, ORANGE COAST COLLEGE AND COASTLINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS, ACTIVE MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFORDABLE EDUCATION AND JOB TRAINING MEASURE. "To address severe State cuts, prepare students/returning veterans for universities/jobs by expanding classrooms and courses in science, technology, engineering/ math, improving active military/veterans educational resources, repairing decaying walls, fire/drainage systems, leaking roofs, removing asbestos, upgrading technology, acquiring, constructing, repairing facilities, sites, equipment, shall Coast Community College District issue \$698,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, with financial safeguards/audits, NO money for administrators' salaries/pensions, prohibiting Sacramento from taking these local funds?"

Bonds – Yes

Bonds – No

PROJECTS

The Board of Trustees of the Coast Community College District, to be responsive to the needs of its community, evaluated each of Coastline College's, Golden West College's and Orange Coast College's urgent and critical facility needs, and its capacity to provide students and Veterans with an affordable education and prepare them for success in college and careers. Safety issues, class size and offerings, and information and computer technology were each considered, in developing the scope of projects to be funded, as outlined in both the District's Vision 2020 Educational Master Plan and in the Vision 2020 Facilities Master Plan, each incorporated herein by reference in their entirety (together, the "Master Plan"), and available for review on the District's website (www.cccd.edu). In developing the scope of projects for each of the three colleges, the faculty, staff, students and community have prioritized career training, technology used for job training and facilities available to support an affordable education, so that the most critical needs that will make the Coast Colleges an effective place for learning, would be addressed. In the course of developing the Master Plan public input was received from hundreds of constituents. It was concluded that if these facility needs were not addressed now, Coast Colleges would be unable to remain competitive in preparing students for jobs in high demand industries and university transfer. The Board concluded that the longer they waited to repair and upgrade the Coast Colleges the more expensive it would be. **In implementing the Master Plan, the Board of Trustees determines that Coastline, Golden West and Orange Coast College MUST:**

- (i) **Ensure local students have access to AFFORDABLE, LOW-COST, HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION and technologies they need to go to four-year universities and compete for good paying jobs;**
- (ii) **Expand course offering in science, technology, engineering and math related fields;**
- (iii) **IMPROVE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE VETERANS OR ACTIVE MILITARY; AND**
- (iv) **Repair and replace aging and outdated career and vocational classrooms, labs and equipment to provide students with opportunities to learn job skills; and**
- (v) **Adhere to stringent FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY safeguards including:**
 - (a) **Sacramento will be prohibited from taking any of the funds raised,**
 - (b) **All expenditures will be subject to annual independent financial audits,**
 - (c) **No funds will be used for administrators' salaries and pensions,**
 - (d) **ALL FUNDS WILL BE SUBJECT TO LOCAL CONTROL,**
 - (e) **An independent citizens' oversight committee will be appointed to ensure that all funds are spent only as authorized.**

COASTLINE COLLEGE

**Academic Facility and Technology Upgrade Projects To Help Students, Active Military and Veterans
Transfer To Four-Year Universities Or Be Trained For Good Jobs**

Goal and Purpose: Ensuring students, active military and veterans are either prepared for transfer to University of California or State college systems or be trained for in-demand, good paying jobs is a major objective of Coastline College. Since last year the State cut \$10 million in funding for Coast Colleges, Coastline College can no longer rely on Sacramento to adequately fund its programs, thus Coastline College requires funds that are locally controlled to improve academic facilities and technology implementations which will allow it to continue providing access to affordable, high quality education:

- **Upgrade and expand facilities for career training in well-paying careers and transfer to universities.**
- **Expand course opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math-related fields.**
- **Install additional electrical service capacity to improve computer technology and Internet access.**
- **Upgrade outdated vocational classrooms, labs and equipment to provide students with opportunities to learn job skills.**
- **Upgrade support facilities for Veterans and currently active military personnel.**
- **Upgrade and replace existing information technology infrastructure and network systems to improve efficiency and increase capacity.**
- **Upgrade and expand telecommunications, internet and network connections.**
- **Upgrade academic buildings to expand police, nursing, health-related careers, and technical job training.**
- **Upgrade and replace technology, computers, hardware and software systems, used for job training and retraining programs.**

**Basic Repair and Construction Projects To
Provide Greater Access to an Affordable Education**

Goal and Purpose: Since the cost of attending a public university has risen to as much as six (6) times that of attending Coastline College, students rely on Coastline to save as much as \$35,000 in tuition on their way to a four-year degree. Therefore, keeping Coastline's facilities upgraded will increase local students, military and veterans ability to earn college credits, certificates and job skills at a reasonable price:

- **Repair decaying walls, drainage systems and leaky roofs.**

- **Remove asbestos.**
- Construct more classroom space.
- Implement ADA accessibility improvements throughout the campus' buildings, classrooms, and other facilities to ensure availability to persons with disabilities.
- Install and repair fire safety equipment including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting and fire safety doors.
- Upgrade outdated electrical systems and wiring for computer technology and Internet access.
- Renovate, repair or replace outdated laboratories, classrooms, training centers and support facilities.
- **Upgrade** and replace **technology**, hardware and software systems.
- Upgrade and replace classroom instructional equipment.

GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE

Academic Facility and Technology Upgrade Projects To Help Students, Active Military and Veterans Transfer To Four-Year Universities Or Be Trained For Good Jobs

Goal and Purpose: Ensuring students are either prepared for transfer to University of California or State college systems or be trained for in-demand, good paying jobs is a major objective of Golden West College. Our area's employment opportunities are anticipated to increase and Orange County businesses have asked Golden West College to expand its course offerings to meet their growing need. Thus Golden West College requires funds that are locally controlled to expand academic facilities and technology implementations in emerging fields to allow local businesses to hire local residents to help grow our economy:

- **Upgrade and expand facilities for career training in well-paying careers and transfer to universities.**
- **Expand course opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math-related fields.**
- Install additional electrical service capacity to improve computer technology and Internet access.
- Upgrade outdated vocational classrooms, labs and equipment to provide students with opportunities to learn job skills.
- **Upgrade support facilities for Veterans and currently active military personnel.**
- Upgrade and replace existing information technology infrastructure and network systems to improve efficiency and increase capacity.
- Upgrade and expand telecommunications, internet and network connections.
- Upgrade academic buildings to expand police, nursing, health-related careers, and technical job training.
- Upgrade and replace technology, computers, hardware and software systems, used for job training and retraining programs.

Basic Repair and Construction Projects To Provide Greater Access to an Affordable Education

Goal and Purpose: Since the cost of attending a public university has risen to as much as six (6) times that of attending Golden West College, students rely on Golden West to save as much as \$35,000 in tuition on their way to a four-year degree. Therefore, keeping Golden West's facilities upgraded will increase local students ability to earn college credits, certificates and job skills at a reasonable price:

- Remove asbestos.
- **Repair decaying walls, drainage systems and leaky roofs.**
- Construct more classroom space.
- Implement ADA accessibility improvements throughout the campus' buildings, classrooms, and other facilities to ensure availability to persons with disabilities.
- Install and repair fire safety equipment including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting and fire safety doors.
- Upgrade outdated electrical systems and wiring for computer technology and Internet access.
- Renovate, repair or replace outdated laboratories, classrooms, training centers and support facilities.
- Upgrade and replace technology, hardware and software systems.
- Upgrade and replace classroom instructional equipment.

ORANGE COAST COLLEGE

Academic Facility and Technology Upgrade Projects To Help Students, Active Military and Veterans Transfer To Four-Year Universities Or Be Trained For Good Jobs

Goal and Purpose: Ensuring students are either prepared for transfer to University of California or State college systems or be trained for in-demand, good paying jobs is a major objective of Orange Coast College. Since last year the State cut \$10 million in funding for Coast Colleges, Orange Coast College can no longer rely on Sacramento to adequately fund its programs, thus Orange Coast College requires funds that are locally controlled to improve academic facilities and technology implementations which will allow it to continue providing access to affordable, high quality education:

- **Upgrade and expand facilities for career training in well-paying careers and transfer to universities.**
- **Expand course opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math-related fields.**
- Install additional electrical service capacity to improve computer technology and Internet access.
- Upgrade outdated vocational classrooms, labs and equipment to provide students with opportunities to learn job skills.
- **Upgrade support facilities for Veterans and currently active military personnel.**

- Upgrade and replace existing information technology infrastructure and network systems to improve efficiency and increase capacity.
- Upgrade and expand telecommunications, internet and network connections.
- Upgrade academic buildings to expand police, nursing, health-related careers, and technical job training.
- Upgrade and replace technology, computers, hardware and software systems, used for job training and retraining programs.

**Basic Repair and Construction Projects To
Provide Greater Access to an Affordable Education for All**

Goal and Purpose: In order to continue to offer access to an affordable education, many urgent and basic repairs such as leaking roofs, outdated plumbing and aging electrical systems that will make Orange Coast College clean and safe for learning, need to be done:

- Remove asbestos.
- **Repair decaying walls, drainage systems and leaky roofs.**
- Construct more classroom space.
- Implement ADA accessibility improvements throughout the campus' buildings, classrooms, and other facilities to ensure availability to persons with disabilities.
- Install and repair fire safety equipment including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting and fire safety doors.
- Upgrade outdated electrical systems and wiring for computer technology and Internet access.
- Renovate, repair or replace outdated laboratories, classrooms, training centers and support facilities.
- Upgrade and replace technology, hardware and software systems.
- Upgrade and replace classroom instructional equipment.

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The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the Project List also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the Project List, payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated college activities caused by construction projects. In addition to the projects listed above, repair, renovation and construction projects may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; replace aging electrical and plumbing systems; repair and replacement of heating and ventilation systems; upgrade of facilities for energy efficiencies, including photovoltaic/solar installations; repair and replacement of worn-out and leaky roofs, windows, walls doors and drinking fountains; removal of outdated buildings and construction of new classrooms and support buildings; installation wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices and needs; upgrade facilities to meet current earthquake safety standards; construct student housing; repair and replacement of fire alarms, emergency communications and security systems; upgrading, resurfacing, replacing or relocating of hard courts, fields, turf and irrigation systems; upgrade classrooms; upgrade existing parking lots/garages; repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems; upgrade early education job training facilities; replace water and sewer lines and other plumbing systems; upgrade to sustainable landscaping; improve water conservation and energy efficiency; replace elevators; replace outdated security systems; replace existing window systems with energy efficient systems to reduce costs; replace outdated heating and ventilation systems; improve insulation, weather proofing and roofs to reduce costs; improve access for the disabled; install and repair fire safety equipment, including alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting, and fire safety doors; inspect for/repair gas pipe leaks, replace broken concrete walks, deteriorated asphalt; replace/upgrade existing signage, bells and clocks; install new security systems, such as security (surveillance) cameras, outdoor lighting, fencing, gates and classroom door locks; replace sewer lines and improve drainage systems to prevent flooding; upgrade roadway and pedestrian paths for improved safety and access for emergency vehicles, site parking, utilities and grounds. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, the funding of a technology endowment, LCD projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, laser printers, digital white boards, document projectors, upgrade voice-over-IP, call manager and network security/firewall, and other miscellaneous equipment and software. In addition, at Coastline College, the Project List includes upgrades to the student learning center, acquisition of land, and solar energy projects to reduce operating costs. At Golden West College, the Project List includes renovations of the design technology, cosmetology, rehab center buildings, expansion of the community center, and central warehouse. At Orange Coast College, upgrades to the business, math and computing center, parking upgrades, student union, support center, administration building improvements.

The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District will not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. Some projects, such as physical education facilities, planetarium, student housing, may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND COLLEGE ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES, PENSIONS AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

**TAX RATE STATEMENT
COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEASURE M**

An election will be held in Coast Community College District (the "District") on November 6, 2012, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring a bonded indebtedness of the District in an aggregate principal amount of \$698 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The information contained in numbered paragraphs 1 – 3 below is provided in compliance with Section 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. The information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, and assuming the entire debt service will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.01797 per \$100 (\$17.97 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation for the year 2012-13.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.01797 per \$100 (\$17.97 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation for the year 2021-22.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.01797 per \$100 (\$17.97 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation for the year 2021-22.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exceptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which is not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on its need for construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale.

Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: 07/26/2012
s/ Andrew Jones
Chancellor
Coast Community College District

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEASURE M**

The California Constitution provides that community college districts may issue general obligation bonds for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, with the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition. The California Constitution further provides that the bond measure must include a requirement that the bond proceeds will be used only for the permitted purposes and other requirements designed to ensure accountability.

The Coast Community College District has proposed to voters that general obligation bonds of the community college district be issued in the amount of \$698,000,000 and that ad valorem taxes be levied upon taxable property in the district to repay the bonded indebtedness. The measure provides that proceeds from the sale of the bonds will generally be used to improve, renovate and construct facilities at Coastline Community College, Golden West College, and Orange Coast College, including constructing and upgrading classrooms, laboratories and job training facilities; upgrading of facilities to improve energy efficiency; upgrading and replacing computer hardware, software systems and information technology infrastructure; improving access for people with disabilities; installing and repairing safety and security equipment; and removing asbestos.

The measure provides that a citizens' oversight committee will be established to ensure that bond proceeds are properly expended. In addition, annual performance and financial audits will be conducted. The measure further provides that bond proceeds will not be used for teacher or administrator salaries or other district operating expenses.

The Board of Trustees of the Coast Community College District has called the election for the purpose of submitting the measure to the voters within the district. If 55% of the voters voting on the measure vote yes, the district may proceed to sell the bonds and levy the related taxes as estimated in the Tax Rate Statement. A no vote on this measure will disapprove the issuance of the bonds and the levy of the taxes for such bonded indebtedness.

Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Coast Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

If you're concerned about the economy or whether someone you know can get a job or afford a high quality college education, vote **YES on M.**

YES on M helps Orange County students, active military and veterans with their affordable education and job training needs.

Golden West, Orange Coast and Coastline Community Colleges already serve over 18,000 active military, veterans, and their families. Another 20,000 veterans and their families are returning to Orange County, many of them from war zones with a host of challenges.

YES on M upgrades and expands our veterans' programs, ensuring that our soldiers receive the support they need to complete their education and reenter the civilian workforce.

YES on M ensures quality, affordable college options for students, military and veterans in Huntington Beach, Costa Mesa, Westminster, Fountain Valley, and Newport Beach prior to transferring to four-year colleges, at a savings of as much as \$35,000 per year. CSU and UC college costs are growing - their systems are SIX TIMES more expensive than our Coast Colleges.

Many of our campus college buildings were built in the 1960s and don't meet the needs of a modern workforce. **YES on M** upgrades career and vocational classrooms, labs and equipment and expands course opportunities in science, engineering/math related fields -- allowing our local students to earn college credits, certifications and job skills at a reasonable price.

By law, Measure M requires published financial audits and an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee to ensure all funds are spent properly. **NO** money can be spent on administrators' salaries or pensions!

Every penny of YES on M stays in OUR communities. NONE of the money can be taken by Sacramento politicians.

Join military veterans, firefighters, police officers, students, professors, local business leaders and residents -- **Vote YES on M.** Please join us: www.CoastCollegesYesonM.com

s/ Denise M. Cruz
U.S. Navy Veteran/Coastline Community College Student

s/ Brigadier General Al Guidotti
U.S. Air Force (Retired)

s/ Frances Nguyen
Business Owner

s/ Evelyn Hart
60 year resident and taxpayer

s/ Cody Joe Torre
Student Trustee, Coast Community College District

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

A demand for over \$1 billion sounds like the demand from a villain in a Hollywood movie.

Here in Orange County, it's what the Board of Trustees for the Coast Community College District are demanding from local property taxpayers.

Voters already approved \$370-million in school bonds for the Coast Community College District only ten years ago and we are still on the hook for principal and interest on those bonds for decades.

Now they're back, asking for an additional \$698-million!

That's over \$1 billion in combined bonded indebtedness!

Instead of looking for a new tax, leaders at the Coast Community College District need to look at ways to prioritize existing revenue and seek ways to keep tax dollars here at home rather than letting it go to Sacramento and Washington, DC.

Our local community colleges are an excellent option for students and we appreciate them.

However, we should not be taken advantage of with a second tax increase measure from the Coast Community College District.

There are so many measures on the ballot this year that will lead to an increase in taxes that we need to send a strong and unified message to our local elected officials and all the way to Sacramento and Washington, DC!

Let's put a stop to the property tax increases and say no Measure M!

s/ Matthew Harper
Councilman, City of Huntington Beach

s/ Tyler Diep
Councilman, City of Westminster

s/ Colin McCarthy
President, Costa Mesa Taxpayers Association

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

\$370-million is not enough?

Only ten years ago, in 2002, voters already authorized the Coast Community College District Board of Trustees to issue \$370-million in school bonds.

Now they're back, asking for an additional \$698-million!

What happened there?

If we fall for this pitch, that's over one billion dollars in combined bonded indebtedness from the Coast Community College District with no proposed new colleges to show for it. Who would pay off these school bonds? We would be on the hook with increased property taxes for decades to pay them off. Not only would we have to pay off the principal, but then we would have to pay the interest on top of that!

Not only are local taxpayers still paying off the Coast Community College District's Measure C from 2002, but some are also paying off school bonds for the Garden Grove Unified School District, Huntington Beach City School District, Huntington Beach Union High School District, Los Alamitos Unified School District, Newport-Mesa Unified School District and Westminster School District. Even the Fountain Valley School District and the Ocean View School District want to get in on the game with school bond tax increase measures of their own!

Where does it stop?

If they are willing to propose a second school bond on top of the first, then what's to prevent a third, fourth or fifth?

We the voters of the Coast Community College District need to draw a line in the sand. We need to say no to the Measure M and put a stop to the property tax increases!

s/ Matthew Harper
Councilman, City of Huntington Beach

s/ Michelle Steel
Vice Chair, CA State Board of Equalization

s/ Tyler Diep
Council Member, City of Westminster

s/ Colin McCarthy
President, Costa Mesa Taxpayers Association

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

YES on M supports our Students and Veterans—vote YES!

FACT: Did we keep our promises to local taxpayers? Absolutely! Our Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee has managed your taxpayer dollars responsibly, funding upgrades to all three of our campuses, the addition of critically needed classrooms for health, science and nursing, and a local Education Center offering early college classes to local high school students, giving them an early start on AA degrees.

FACT: Measure M was developed with extensive input from students, faculty, college staff, and the community to continue repairs of aging college buildings - some built in the 1960s - that need leaky roofs, heating, cooling, plumbing and electricity systems replaced. **YES on M** also updates classroom technology, ensuring students are prepared for the high demand jobs of the 21st Century.

FACT: Ten years ago the Iraq War hadn't occurred. Now, we're anticipating 20,000 returning Veterans and their families locally. Coast CCD offers one of the most comprehensive online veterans' education programs in the country, and it needs expansion to meet their needs. **YES on M improves our veterans' programs**, ensuring our soldiers receive support for completing their education and re-entering the civilian workforce.

Yes on M includes strict fiscal accountability requirements including review by our Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, published annual Financial/Performance Audits, and **NO money for pensions or administrators' salaries**.

Measure M ensures Orange County students have the resources they need to succeed in the most competitive job market in generations. Join us - Vote **YES on M!**

s/ Denise M. Cruz
Veteran, US Navy/Coastline Community College Student

s/ Brigadier General Al Guidotti
US Air Force (Ret.)

s/ Frances Nguyen
Business Representative, Coast CCD Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee

s/ Evelyn Hart
Senior Citizen Representative/Chair, Coast CCD Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee

s/ Cody Joe Torre
Coast CCD Student Trustee