

# Prop R & Z ANNUAL REPORT

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

On behalf of the members of the Proposition R Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, it is my pleasure to present our annual report.

South County voters were extremely generous in their overwhelming support of Proposition Z in November 2017. This new \$400 million general obligation bond will allow Southwestern College to continue upgrading facilities throughout the district.

Several large projects have already opened to students and community. New science and medical labs at the Higher Education Center at National City opened in January 2018 that will help meet the growing need for the classrooms needed to complete some of the college's most popular science and health profession majors.

The 75,000-square-foot Wellness and Aquatics Complex also opened in January and houses the new gymnasium, two Olympic-size pools, a third therapy pool and fitness classrooms. The wellness and aquatics complex will also be home to the Health First Fitness Club where community members can participate in the fitness classes.

More projects are on the way, and I encourage you to see the updates outlined in the next couple pages of this report.

As the community representatives to Propositions R and Z, we welcomed two new members to the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee: student representative Christine Amezcua and at-large community representative J.C. Hurtado-Prather. Additionally, at-large community representative Andrew McKercher was selected to serve another two-year term. I also had the honor of being selected for a second two-year term as a taxpayer organization representative.

We welcome you to find out more about our progress by going to our website: [www.swccd.edu/propr](http://www.swccd.edu/propr). You can request a presentation to your community group, have your name added to our mailing list or leave a comment.

Thank you for your continued support of the students of Southwestern College.

Matt Yagyagan  
Chair  
Proposition R and Z Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

## CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Christine A. Amezcua  
Student Representative

Lucas Rathe  
Business Representative

Michael Govea  
Advisory or Foundation Representative

J.C. Hurtado-Prather  
At-Large Community Representative

Andrew McKercher  
At-Large Community Representative

Matt Yagyagan  
Taxpayer Organization Representative

Robert (Bob) Muff  
Senior Citizen Group Representative

## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS

The independent auditing firm of The Pun Group conducted an audit of the internal controls, finances and performance of Proposition R. In a report provided to the Governing Board, the auditing firm has found the district's internal financial controls to be in compliance with Government Auditing Standards.

The objectives of the performance audit are to review Proposition R expenditures, determine if Proposition R funds were used for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and to comply with the California Constitution and Proposition 39. The auditing firm found Southwestern College to be in compliance of all material respects and in compliance with the performance requirements of Proposition 39.

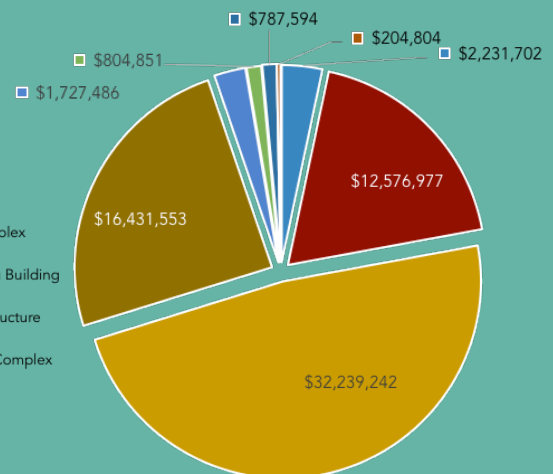
Furthermore, there are no findings or questioned costs related to the performance audit of the Bond Fund for the year ended June 30, 2017.

## ABOUT PROPOSITIONS R AND Z

Proposition R is the \$389 million general obligation bond approved by voters in 2008. Proposition Z is the \$400 million general obligation bond. Proceeds from the bonds are to be used for the construction/reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of facilities, acquisition, or lease of real property for its facilities and construction management by district personnel.

### EXPENDITURES PER PROJECT

- 802009 - Program Management
- 802021 - National City HEC Phase II
- 802025 - Wellness and Aquatics Complex
- 802029 - Math Science & Engineering Building
- 802039 - Hydronics Piping and Infrastructure
- 802024 - Performing Arts & Security Complex
- 802032 - Utility Infrastructure
- 802999 - Other



Proposition R Bond Expenditures July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

# Prop R & Z Project Updates

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### SECURITY COMPLEX

College Police will have a new headquarters that includes new secure parking for police vehicles and equipment. The new building, which will be located in parking Lot B, includes office space, meeting rooms, a customer service counter, locker rooms, an armory, emergency communications/security monitoring and a secure vehicle parking/sally port. The single-story structure will cost \$6.8 million.

**PROJECT STATUS:** Division Design accepted by Department of State Architect. Construction scheduled fall 2018.

### PLAZA BUILDING

The new two-story Plaza Building opened in January with four new science labs, a medical assisting clinic, a large lecture classroom and a community room. Also new to the project is an outdoor plaza and a second-story outdoor terrace that provides places for students to sit, study and socialize between classes.

**PROJECT STATUS:** Complete



### MATH, SCIENCE & ENGINEERING BUILDING

Tons of steel and cement have risen in the interior of the Chula Vista campus as the Math, Science & Engineering Building begins to take shape. The design of the two buildings will highlight the theme of "Science on Display," ensuring all classrooms, shared spaces and study areas are viewable and accessible. Designed for LEED Silver, the new buildings will contain 15 classrooms, a rooftop telescope platform, the Math, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) program and will recreate the beloved turtle pond.

**PROJECT STATUS:** Under construction, scheduled opening spring semester 2019.



## WELLNESS & AQUATICS COMPLEX

Built on the corner of East H Street and Otay Lakes Road, the 75,000 square-foot facility contains a gymnasium, fitness labs, cardio workout rooms, multiple team locker rooms and classrooms. It's also home to two Olympic-sized swimming pools and a 25-meter therapy pool. In a grand opening ceremony held in January, community members sat on the pool deck to listen to grateful student athletes telling them the impact the new facility has on their careers.

**PROJECT STATUS:** Complete



## PERFORMING ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER

The construction trailers that supported the Wellness & Aquatics Complex have been moved away and planning is complete for the Performing Arts & Cultural Center, which will also occupy the corner entrance to the Chula Vista campus. A 500-seat theater will be the centerpiece of the building, but a two-story lobby will allow for stunning artwork to be on display. Supporting facilities, including a black box theater, ample storage area for constructing and storing props, as well as versatile classroom space will meet the needs of the college's arts programs for years.

**PROJECT STATUS:** Project documents signed by Division of State Architect. Construction estimated to begin in summer 2018.