# PROPOSITION R YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK AT SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE

## **Corner Lot Becomes Reality**

outhwestern College is creating a new, welcoming development on the unimproved lot at the corner of East H Street and Otay Lakes Road. It will serve the educational needs of students and provide additional opportunities for community members to engage with college programs and activities. As part of a public input feasibility study for this development, the college conducted a thorough review of market trends, emerging industry needs and college programs to supplement the existing facilities master plan and address each of these priorities.

The unimproved lot will be now be home to a new wellness center and a new performing arts and cultural center. The wellness center will contain new swimming pools, and flexible-use space for exercise, athletics, classrooms and large meeting space. Its construction will allow the college to demolish the outdated, existing athletics and exercise facilities and build a multi-story Math, Science and Engineering classroom complex on the site, as shown in the Facilities Master Plan. (www.swccd.edu/masterplans)



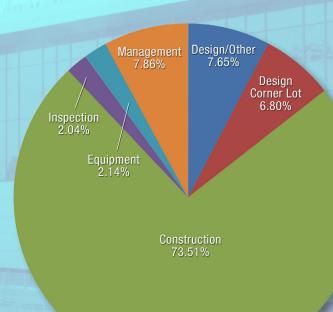
The college will spend much of 2014 planning and designing the new wellness center and performing arts and cultural center. We expect to break ground in 2015, with project completion projected for late 2016 or early 2017.



### Accomplishments to Date (May, 2014)

- Widened entries and planted new landscape at Gotham and Elmhurst streets;
   realigned college entrance at East H Street.
- Completed and dedicated new synthetic turf practice fields for football and soccer.
- Completed new Central Plant for energy-saving heating and cooling to new and existing buildings.
- Continued construction of four-story athletic field house and classroom building. Project completion August, 2014 for start of new academic year.
- Reconstructed Lot O parking lot to meet ADA standards and filter storm water runoff.
- Hired a consultant Executive Architect for general planning and District design standards development.
- Began installation of a 3 megawatt solar collection system in seven parking lots on Chula Vista campus. This is the largest single site collection system in the SDG&E service area.
- Designed IT Wireless network upgrades for the four campus locations.
- Designed Blue Light emergency communications system for the four campus locations.
- Selected architects for Wellness Center and the Math and Science building. (in progress)
- Design of new two-story building at National City Higher Education Center. (in progress)
- Design of electronic locking systems for new buildings and installation of improved door locking hardware for existing buildings. (in progress)
- Building User Group developing Scope of Work for Architect selection for the Performing Arts and Cultural Center.

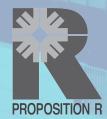
# **Current Expenditures (\$52 Million To Date)**



#### **Bond Facts**

Proposition R is the \$389 million general obligation bond approved by voters in November, 2008. Proceeds from the bonds are being used for construction, reconstruction and modernization of facilities on the Chula Vista campus and at the Higher Education Centers in National City, Otay Mesa and San Ysidro.

In March, 2012, the Southwestern Community College District Board unanimously voted to re-evaluate all Proposition R projects to determine the best use of bond funds and reassess its priorities. In April 2013, the Governing Board approved new educational and facilities master plans that are guiding all new construction.



# **Speakers Bureau**

To have a representative of Southwestern College come to your group or organization to speak about Proposition R, please contact Lillian Leopold, 619-482-6564.

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