

Planning for the Future





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Community Survey Enclosed — Monterey Peninsula College Wants to Hear From You

Please complete the survey inside to let us know your priorities for Monterey Peninsula College as we plan for the future. You can also take the survey online at www.MPC.edu/potentialmeasure. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact David Martin, Interim College President, at dmartin@mpc.edu.

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Maintaining Affordable, High-Quality Education at Monterey Peninsula College



Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) provides high-quality, affordable education and career training to our diverse community and is a designated Hispanic Serving Institution. In recent months, MPC has successfully adapted to changing and challenging circumstances to continue providing quality education to local students. Another challenge we must meet is upgrading our aging college facilities in order to keep our students safe and continue providing a modern education.

MPC: A Vital Community and Economic Resource

As our community continues to navigate these challenging times, it is important MPC remains a vital community resource and economic engine, providing career training for the region's in-demand jobs and generating millions of dollars per year for the local economy. MPC also educates the essential workers the community depends on, including the nurses and healthcare professionals that serve our medical needs, the police, firefighters and first responders that keep us safe, and the skilled workers who fuel our economy.

Providing Access to Affordable Higher Education

Because the cost of attending Cal State and the University of California (UC) system has become so expensive, more students are starting their education at community colleges like MPC. In fact, around 50% of all local high school graduates rely on MPC for higher education and career training.

However, upgrades to career training facilities, classrooms and technology are needed to give students the tools they need to be prepared for in-demand jobs and to complete their first two years of college affordably and transfer to the Cal State or UC system.

Addressing Facilities Needs at MPC

While MPC has served the community well for over 70 years, several college buildings were built so long ago that they have asbestos, lead pipes, and do not meet proper earthquake safety standards. By law, these safety hazards need to be fixed.

MPC recently commissioned a survey of local residents that found 66% of people support an investment to improve aging college facilities, classrooms and technology. As a result, the Board of Trustees is considering placing a \$250 million facilities bond measure on the upcoming November 3, 2020 ballot. A measure would cost property owners \$20 per \$100,000 of assessed (not market) value annually, or approximately \$97 per year for the typical homeowner while bonds are outstanding.



If approved by 55% of voters, a measure would provide locally-controlled funding to repair leaky roofs and old rusty plumbing, replace faulty electrical systems to improve energy efficiency and update computer systems and instructional technology so students can take classes, listen to lectures and complete assignments online.



Fiscal Accountability Would Be Required

A measure would require a clear system of accountability, including a project list, a Citizens' Oversight Committee and independent audits to ensure the funds would be spent properly. All funds raised by a measure would stay local and could not be taken by the State. By law, no money from this measure could be spent on administrators' salaries or pensions. If approved, a potential measure would help MPC qualify for up to \$250 million in state matching funds.

We Want to Hear from You!

Community feedback is critical as we evaluate how to address our college facilities needs. Please complete the survey below and mail it back or take the survey online at www.mpc.edu/potentialmeasure.

Three Ways You Can Take the MPC Survey:

- 1. Stamp and mail back the completed survey card attached to this brochure.
- 2. Take the survey online at www.mpc.edu/ potentialmeasur
- 3. Fax your completed survey to (831) 655-2627.

Please feel free to reach out to David Martin, Interim College President, a dmartin@mpc.edu with any other questions or feedback.

Please rate the importance of the following priorities:	HIGH MEDIUM LOW
Repair leaky roofs, old rusty plumbing, dry rotted beams and faulty electrical systems	
Upgrade facilities so the College can operate in a more environmentally sustainable way	
Keep computer systems and instructional technology up-to-date	
Upgrade classrooms and labs to help local students complete the first two years of college affordably and transfer to the Cal State or UC system	
Upgrade career training facilities for science, technology, engineering, math, computer science, healthcare, biotech and nursing	
Make the computer and technology upgrades needed for students to be able to take classes, listen to lectures and complete assignments online	

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Have you or your children attended or taken a class at Monterey