

CAPITAL PROJECTS SANTA ROSA JUNIOR COLLEGE



Carrying out the vision for the new Southwest Center

In February, the SRJC Board of Trustees (BOT) received a presentation on the Southwest Center Working Group's approved program design for the Southwest Center Project. The program and schematic design developed by the SWC Working Group (*see Working Group on page 2*) and the Design-Build Team (*Lathrop Construction and HKIT Architects*) was first unveiled at the Board Facilities Committee prior to the February 14 BOT presentation.

The Southwest Center is situated on 9.5 acres five miles south of the Santa Rosa campus. SRJC had leased the thirteen-building facility from the Wright Elementary School District for over thirteen years in order to serve the Roseland community by offering important educational and wrap-around services.

Last spring, the SRJC Board approved purchasing the property, the first recommendation in the District's 2016 Facilities Master Plan for Southwest Center.

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April 12
Environmental Forum*

April 17-20
World Languages Fair

April 18
Job and Internship Fair 2023

* To register, or for more information on upcoming Environmental Forums, visit <https://events.santarosa.edu/environmental-forum-2023>

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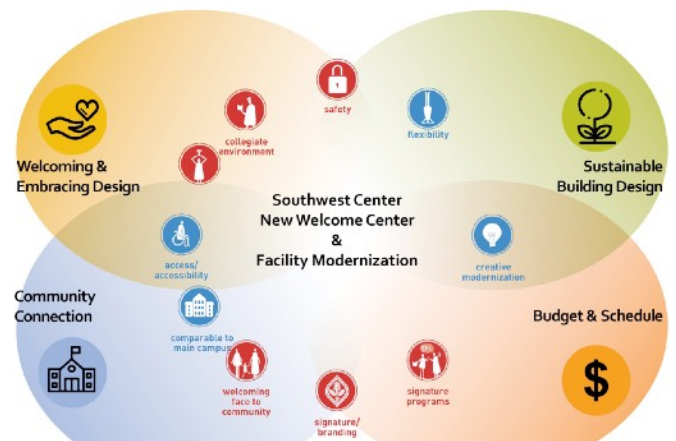
“Purchasing the property is key to the development of the Southwest Center,” said SRJC Superintendent Dr. Frank Chong, and made possible through Measure H. “It will allow us to create a vibrant campus similar to the Santa Rosa Campus, and allow for the expansion of offerings for the Roseland community.”

Classes at the SWC site include Non-Credit English as Second Language (ESL), College Skills, Older Adults, Community Education, Electronic Technology and Computer Literacy classes. Student support services such as food distribution, student health services and remote assistance with online admissions, class registration and academic counseling are also offered.

Pre-pandemic, the campus served more than 7,000 non-English speaking and other students from Sonoma County each year. Enrollment is anticipated to grow alongside the densifying of the southwest area of the city. According to SWC Director Hector Delgado, over 70 percent of the students at the Southwest Center possess less than a 10th grade education. The expansion will allow them to create a pathway to break the cycle of poverty.

The 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. Sustainable building design is a key component to the project, and the new campus will be zero net energy ready.

“We are grateful to Sonoma County voters for their support in providing SRJC an opportunity to increase educational opportunities at the Southwest Center for the Roseland community,” said Dr. Chong.

**Southwest Center Working Group**

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Design-Build Team

Lathrop Construction and HKIT Architects

Ceremonial groundbreaking at the SRJCPetaluma Construction Training Center on May 3



At its March meeting, the SRJC Board of Trustees awarded a \$9.1 million contract to Arntz Construction for the building of the new SRJC Petaluma Construction Center. Work began earlier this month, and a ceremonial groundbreaking is scheduled for May 3. Look for an invitation in your email.

Funding for the project is from the Economic Development Administration (EDA), which awarded SRJC an \$11.1 million federal disaster grant. In partnership with the Sonoma County Economic Development Board, SRJC secured a \$1 million from the Tipping Point Community Foundation. Bank of America is supporting the project with a \$250,000 grant, and EDA approved an additional request in funding to make up the shortfall.

The new center is projected to train hundreds of construction and trades workers annually in order to support ongoing county-wide recovery and rebuild efforts after the devastating October 2017 wildfires.

The Division of the State Architect (DSA) and the EDA have approved the design and construction plans, preliminary discussions about a groundbreaking are in the works.

Media Services Department provides the backbone of SRJC's Instructional Technology—with major support from Measure H

The Measure H budget includes \$55.5 million for Instructional Technology projects. These include network infrastructure, equipment and upgrades; instructional computing, a new student information system, modernization and renovations at Doyle Library (Santa Rosa) and Mahoney Library (Petaluma), and more. The Media Services Department plays an important role in seeing that the Measure H funds for audiovisual equipment and learning technologies are used wisely, as well as providing temporary AV solutions, as needed.

One example is how Media Services provided Garcia Hall temporary portable systems at the beginning of the fall semester while equipment suffered from supply chain delays. Garcia Hall faculty are happy to begin using permanently installed instructional technology, and while some equipment is still on back order, classroom installations are nearing completion.

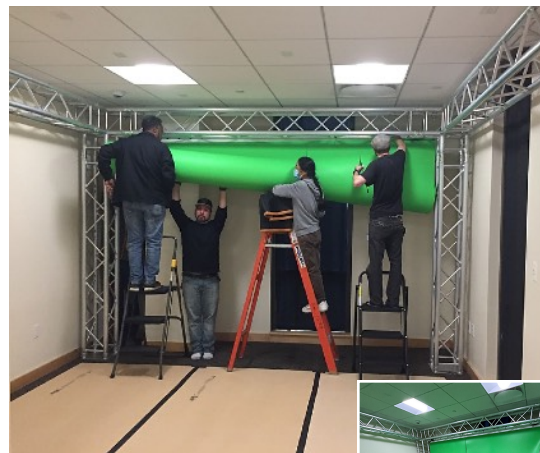
This academic year, Media Services has deployed 33 Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs) between the Santa Rosa Campus and the Public Safety Training Center alone. In addition, Media Services were busy carrying out technology de-installations at Barnett Hall, which is scheduled for demolition this summer, and Tauzer Gym in order to prepare for the renovation and temporary relocation of physical education classes.

Media Services also completed the Sypher Field sound upgrade during Winter Break and the SRJC baseball team began using it immediately during practices. Sound installation for the new Soccer Field began in February and transition of the Bailey Field Press Box from the east side of the field to the west side is in progress and will soon be completed.

In addition to helping implement the Measure H Bond projects, Media Services offers technology support by helping departments or programs purchase certain audiovisual equipment and instructional technology on a request basis using department or grant funds, as well as bond dollars. The Department also takes media room reservations, administers Zoom licensing, and has in-house production services to assist with events and productions. To learn more about the Media Services Department, please visit media.santarosa.edu.



David Mendez designing, installing and programming the new Doyle Library paging system



Media Services technicians installing a new Video Green Screen in the Doyle Library Digital Media Suites



Photos: Garcia Hallway Signage (not pictured, IFP's in the Oak Leaf News Room and Computer Lab, and Office Lobby signage), Instructional IFP in the Tauzer Weight Room, and the music playback system and Instructional IFP in Yoga/Pilates Fitness Room

SRJC Foundation celebrated its new home in March

On March 30, the SRJC Foundation celebrated their new home with a dedication ceremony and open house. The celebration began with a Welcome and reading of the Land Acknowledgement by J Mullineaux, followed by a Ceremonial Blessing given by Dr. Brenda Flyswithawks, *Tsalagi Eastern Cherokee Nation, Bird Clan* and Pomo Youth Dancers. The program included remarks by SRJC Superintendent/President Dr. Frank Chong and a presentation of the mural by artist Maria de Los Angeles, an SRJC alumna, who was able to answer questions about the mural and what it represents. The festivities concluded with a ribbon cutting, tours and a reception.

“This new space is such a gift to our team and ultimately the students who benefit from our work,” said J Mullineaux, SRJC Foundation Executive Director. “We finally have a place we are proud to share with our campus and community.”

Before completion of the “new foundation for the Foundation,” the philanthropic organization’s staff worked out of multiple locations, and did not have adequate community meeting spaces to support their important work to *inspire investment in higher education to provide life-changing opportunities for all SRJC students, their families, and the community we share*. Located at 707 Elliott Avenue in Santa



To learn more about how the SRJC Foundation supports students and programs, please visit <https://foundation.santarosa.edu>



Emeritus Hall Roofing and HVAC Modernization Project

Roofing scope includes removing existing roofing to structural deck and installing tapered insulation and crickets, and install complete roofing system per manufacturer standards.

HVAC (Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning) scope includes removing and replacing all existing roof top units, roof hatches, generator support frame, and roof mounted conduits. (gas, electrical, data, plumbing); removing and replacing the existing boiler.

Interior work includes installing variable air volume (VAV) boxes and associated piping, replacing thermostats (T-stats), and any and all damaged acoustic ceiling tiles.

Construction on the roof replacement will begin this summer.





Bussman Hall Information Technology Renovation

Built in 1939, Bussman Hall houses the SRJC Multicultural Museum, Human Resources Department, and the Information Technology (IT) Department (temporarily located in the Doyle Library during renovation). In February, the Contractor painted the walls, installed the acoustic wall treatment, the ceiling, and tile in the bathroom. Cabinets were installed earlier this month, and other finishing touches underway.

Looking back at an earlier Bussman Hall Measure H Project

In 2020, the Human Resources Department moved from the Button building into new offices at Bussman Hall. In order to make space for the new student housing project, which is slated to open in the fall, the Button building was demolished. Thanks to Measure H funds, the relocation and renovation included updated finishes, painting and flooring, and other updated finishes, electrical improvements and new wireless access points.



Brief Update on the Lindley Center for STEM Education

Recent construction activity at the Lindley Center for STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) include:

- Storefront and Curtain Wall framing
- Glass installation
- Roof welding of final membrane
- Installation of second floor ductwork above Social Staircase
- Installation of wall insulation and sheetrock
- Ongoing work in mechanical chiller room

Even though the recent stormy weather has adversely impacted work, adjustments have been made to ensure completion in order to occupy the building in Fall 2023.



SRJC's 2022 Sustainability Report is now available online!

SRJC's 2022 Sustainability Report was released in February and offers Sonoma County residents a clear summary of the multiple campus improvement projects that the college has undertaken in recent years in its drive toward greater efficiency and sustainability, reducing the college's potable water consumption and providing energy independence during emergencies.

Report Highlights

- The first photovoltaic arrays installed in 2006, at Public Safety Training Center Windsor campus (California Solar Initiative)
- SRJC commits to sustainability in 2011, when President Agrella signs the Talloires Declaration
- Sonoma County voters pass Measure H in 2014, a \$410 million bond to support new and updated technology and facilities
 - Energy savings from solar panel installations projected at \$1 million annually
 - Photovoltaics at Shone Farm projected to generate 90% of the farm's energy needs
 - New Quinn Central Plant's water reclamation target is 6 to 7 million gallons annually, reducing potable water consumption by 20%
 - LED lighting upgrades projected to save \$300,000 annually
- The Facilities Master Plan was created in 2016, establishing a 15-year guidance plan for reducing resource use and lowering operating costs
- The Residential Demonstration Garden Project was established in 2018
 - Award: Community College Water Award, from California Higher Education Sustainability Conference
 - Award: 2019 Water Use Efficiency Award for Large Landscapes, from the City of Santa Rosa
- Clipper BayPass Pilot Program launched in 2022, to study student transit usage around the Bay Area



If you need someone to talk to—

SRJC recognizes the serious mental health crisis that exists on college campuses and elsewhere across the nation. We want to remind our community help is always available.

- For individuals experiencing a mental health crisis and needing to communicate with someone, please dial or text 988 to speak with a crisis counselor in English or Spanish for free. (Individuals in an emergency situation requiring help from police, fire or ambulance should call 911.)
- Student Psychological Service therapists are available throughout the day. For an appointment, call 707-527-4445 or email studenthealthservices@santarosa.edu. Students can also drop in for an appointment on the Santa Rosa Campus in Bertolini on the third floor.
- Employees can also utilize the Employee Assistance Program by entering "SISC" as the company name.

Help IS available at SRJC Student Health Services.

POLLY O'MEARA DOYLE HALL



Student Housing applications are now open for the scheduled Fall Semester 2023 opening, and are available in person from the leasing office, located in Plover Hall, or online at housing.santarosa.edu.

There is a \$35 application fee, which can be waived for those who financially qualify.