

2023 Annual Report To the Board of Trustees

Bond Measure G
Citizens' Oversight Committee

Presented January 22, 2024



**2023 Citizens Oversight
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Community at – large

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

On behalf of the Orcutt Union School District Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee it is my pleasure to present the Measure G Annual Report to the Board of Trustees.

Since the Community approved the bond in 2016 Measure G has enhanced school sites with security fencing, improved bus drop-off and pick-up and modernization of school offices. We have also completed an Innovation Center, upgraded bathrooms and added a new parking lot.

The committee met bi-annually in the 2023-2024 school year and was given detailed information from Business Services and staff concerning the progress and expenditures related to the various projects included in the Measure G Bond. The committee plays an important role in informing the public about the District's expenditures of bond money, providing oversight to ensure that bond revenues are spent on construction projects as promised to the community.

It is the opinion of this committee that based on the oversight activities and the financial and performance audits noted herein, the school district remains in full compliance with the requirements of article XIII A, Section 1(b) (3) of the Constitution of the State of California.

The committee trusts you will find the annual report accurate, informative and comprehensive.

Respectfully,

Jan Zilli

Chair

Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee

Bond Measure G Overview

Northern Santa Barbara County residents voted November 8, 2016, to approve Measure G, the \$60 million general obligation facilities bond to improve Orcutt Union School District. Funding from the bond is helping the district repair, upgrade and improve elementary and secondary schools, including deteriorated roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems, improve student safety/security and disabled access, keep schools well-maintained, acquire, renovate, improve classrooms/facilities/equipment and technology infrastructure, replace aging portables with modern classrooms. All funds should be benefiting all our school sites.

MEASURE G2016 COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY ORUCTT UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

To repair/upgrade Orcutt/Los Alamos elementary/secondary schools, including deteriorated roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems, improve student safety/security and disabled access, keep schools well-maintained, acquire, renovate, construct classrooms/facilities/equipment and technology infrastructure to support programs in science, math, reading and arts, replace aging portables with modern classrooms, shall Orcutt Union School District issue \$60 million in bonds at legal rates, with citizens' oversight, annual audits, no funds for administrators, and all funds benefiting local schools?

Measure G was presented to voters under the provision of Proposition 39, stipulating that at least 55 percent of voters approve a measure for its passage. It passed with 57.8 percent of the vote.

The Citizens' Oversight Committee

As promised to voters and required by law, on June 23, 2016, the Orcutt Union School District Board of Trustees adopted Resolution No. 20, establishing the Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee.

The laws governing implementation of the Citizens' Oversight Committee require a minimum of seven members to be selected based on criteria established by Proposition 39:

- One active member from the following: a business organization representing the business community located in the District; a senior citizens' organization; a bona-fide taxpayer's association; and a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District
- Two members of the community at-large.

Period covered by the report

This report covers the time period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Statement of purpose/responsibilities of the Citizens' Oversight Committee

The Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee, with members representing the various groups of our communities, serves as the representative of local residents to monitor the expenditures of Measure G Funds. The Citizens' Oversight Committee reviews the progress and expenditure reports to ensure that bond proceeds were expended only for the purposes set forth in the Measure G Bond, and reports their findings annually to the Orcutt Union School District Board of Trustees via this report.

The district has received, and the Citizens' Oversight Committee has reviewed, the financial and performance audit for the Measure G Bond Construction Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. EideBailly, Certified Public Accountants, prepared the report to comply with Proposition 39 accountability within the California Constitution.

EideBailly stated, "The results of our tests indicated that, in all significant respects, the Orcutt Union School District has properly accounted for expenditures held in the Building Fund (Measure G) and that such expenditures were made for authorized Bond projects. There were no audit findings, reported in the prior year's Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Financial compliance confirmation

All expenditures authorized by Measure G have been reviewed by the Citizens' Oversight Committee to ensure the money was spent only on improvement projects as required by Proposition 39. All funds expended from Measure G have been audited by an independent accounting firm. Throughout the course of construction, the District has made transfers into the Measure G Fund in order to offset some of the costs associated with construction. To date, these transfers total \$7,554,183.

The Citizens' Oversight Committee has reviewed expenditures and projects and finds the district is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the

California Constitution and consistent with the district's approved Measure G local bond measure.

Orcutt Union School District

General Obligation Bond

Total General Obligation Bond Authorization	\$60,000,000
Series A Issuance, issued in June 2018	\$15,000,000
Series B Issuance, issued in June 2020	\$20,000,000
General Obligation Bonds not yet sold	\$25,000,000
TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION	\$60,000,000
Series A Issuance	\$15,000,000
Premium on Sale of Bonds Issuance A	\$624,527
Series B Issuance	\$20,000,000
Premium on Sale of Bonds Issuance B	\$252,789
Interest	\$259,406
TOTAL AVAILABLE REVENUE	\$36,326,702
Previously Spent as of June 30, 2022	\$28,739,351
Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$7,397,371
Pine Grove Parking Lot	\$151,487
Olga Reed Elementary School Electrical Project	\$5,069
Olga Reed Elementary School Classroom Modernization	\$2,476,478
Orcutt Academy High School Multi-Use Room	\$614,723
Orcutt Junior High School Administration Building	\$59,543
Close out on previously reported projects	\$34,470
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 2022/2023	\$3,341,769

Ending Balance as of June 30, 2023

\$4,055,602

Projects Successfully Completed by Bond Measure G

Capital Construction Projects Completed within the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year



**Olga Reed
Classroom
Modernization**

Project total:
\$3,519,899
Year Completed
2023

CURRENT MEASURE G PROJECTS

OAHS MUR Building



Architectural Rendering - Conceptual Design

Project: Orcutt Academy High School Multi-Use Building
Board/Bid Action Item: June 8, 2022
Anticipated Completion: Spring 2024

**Estimated Cost of
Project:**

\$12,244,033 (partially funded out of bonds not yet
sold)

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