Questions & Answers About Measure X

Q: What is Measure X?
A: Measure X is a local $748,000,000 education bond on the November 2016 ballot to repair and upgrade San Jose City College and Evergreen Valley College campuses and classrooms, including updating labs for nursing, science, technology and engineering fields; expanding educational resources for veterans; improving campus safety and security; and removing asbestos and lead paint, among other priorities. For more information about Measure X including the official language of the measure, visit www.sjeccd.edu

Q: Why was Measure X placed on the ballot?
A: The cost of attending a 4-year college or university is nearly six times the cost of attending one of our community colleges. More students, working families, and veterans are relying on community colleges for their educational needs, creating demand for the programs we offer—our colleges have one of the highest transfer rates to San Jose State University in the Bay Area. If enacted by voters, Measure X will improve and expand our classrooms and educational facilities, making our programs accessible to more South Bay students wanting to acquire a high-quality college education at an affordable price.

Q: How does Measure X impact workforce development?
A: Measure X upgrades classrooms, labs, and technology to improve training and education in nursing, automotive technology, engineering, math, and biotechnology among other fields. Hands-on training and workforce preparation provides students with the skills they need to compete for the in-demand jobs of the 21st Century.

Q: What will Measure X cost me? How can we ensure funds will be spent responsibly?
A: Measure X costs property owners approximately $18.95 per $100,000 of assessed—not market—valuation per year. By law, Measure X requires Independent Citizens Oversight and annual independent audits so all funds are spent as promised. NO money can be taken by the State—all funds are required to be spent on projects that benefit San Jose City College and Evergreen Valley College.

Q: When is the election and how do I get information about how to vote?
A: The election is on November 8, 2016. For more information about how to vote, visit the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters at www.sccvote.org or call (408) 299-VOTE. To register to vote, visit: registertovote.ca.gov. We encourage every eligible voter to participate in this election, and be sure make an informed decision before you vote!