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Investing in our local community

Who will benefit from this measure?
- Orange Coast College, Golden West College, and Coastline College Students
- Active military and Veterans
- Local businesses, communities, and senior citizens

Prepare Our Students for Four-Year Universities and the 21st Century Workforce
- Expand course opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).
- Continue offering opportunities for local students to earn college credits, certifications and job skills at a reasonable price.
- Provide job training and workforce preparation to keep students competitive for high-skill jobs, which drive our local economy.

Support Active Military and Returning Veterans
Coast Colleges currently serve more than 18,000 active military service men and women, their families, and Veterans annually.
- Expand Veteran services and facilities to ensure that they receive the support they need to complete their education and enter the civilian workforce.

Repair and Upgrade Aging Classrooms
Many of the buildings on each of our campuses were built in the 1960s.
- Update outdated electrical systems, wiring & equipment for computer technology and internet access.
- Upgrade career and vocational classrooms, labs and equipment for 21st century jobs and careers.
- Remove asbestos and repair decaying walls, drainage systems and leaking roofs.
- Improve campus safety by installing and repairing fire safety equipment: alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, emergency lighting and fire safety doors.

Responsible Fiscal Planning
After working with stakeholders, the Board of Trustees, and the community, we've developed a fiscally responsible plan to address these needs. Our Board has voted to place a $698-million bond measure on the November 2012 ballot to support local education funding.
- Only $17.97/year per $100K of assessed property value
- Bond includes strong fiscal accountability: public expenditure plan, independent annual audits, independent citizens' oversight, no money for administrator salaries