



**CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
MEASURES B (2016) and E (2016)  
FY 2022-2023 REPORT  
Issued May 2024**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Albany Unified School District's Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee was formed to provide oversight for spending of Measure B (2016) and Measure E (2016) revenue.

In June 2016, voters in the city of Albany passed ballot measure B (2016), authorizing issuance of \$70,000,000 of general obligation bonds and Measure E (2016), authorizing issuance of \$25,000,000 of general obligation bonds, both by the Albany Unified School District. These funds are being used to construct the Albany Middle School Annex, expand and modernize Albany High School, and to rebuild Ocean View and Marin Elementary schools.

The School Facilities Local Vote Act of 2000 (Proposition 39) requires the Albany Unified School District to establish a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee to oversee, monitor, and inform the public concerning the expenditure of general obligation bond revenues. The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee must provide an annual report of how Measures B (2016), and E (2016) bond funds were used in 2022-23 (latest audit year). This is the Albany Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee's FY 2022-23 annual report.

# COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

As of May 2024, the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (the Committee) is comprised of the following members:

Member	Title	Representation
<i>Vacant</i>	Member	Public at Large
Dennis Keller	President	Parent / Parent-Teacher Organization
<i>Vacant</i>	Member	Parent / Guardian
<i>Vacant</i>	Member	Senior Citizen
Chris Moore	Secretary	Member Of A Bonafide Taxpayers' Organization
Stephen Watkins	Member	Public at Large
<i>Vacant</i>	Member	Public at Large
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<i>Vacant</i>	Member	Active in Business Organization

The Committee thanks the following former members for their time and expertise:

- B. Melange Mathews
- Barbara Wezelman
- Gary Class
- Howard McNenny
- Jackie Kim (current Chief Business Officer for the Albany Unified School District)
- Kathleen Bliss
- Matt Smith
- Pareen Shah
- Theo Lieu

The Committee is required to have the following members, representing the Albany community:

- One (1) active member of a business organization representing the business community located within the District
- One (1) active member of a senior citizen's organization
- One (1) active member of a bona fide taxpayer's organization

- One (1) member who is a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the school district
- One (1) member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and an active member of a parent-teacher organization (e.g., PTA/PTSA or school site council)
- Three (3) members of the public at-large

***The Committee is seeking members in the multiple vacant roles.***

The Committee was formed in 2017 (a previous committee had gone dormant) and has met on the following dates:

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
18 Jan	17 Jan	30 Jan	5 Feb	20 Jan	2 Feb	29 Mar	24 Apr
19 Apr	23 May	24 Apr	13 May	21 Apr	4 May	11 Oct	1 May
19 Jul	24 Oct	24 Jul	23 Sept	22 Sept	14 Sept		
18 Oct		30 Oct					

Meeting minutes are available on the AUSD website.

## RESOURCES - BOND SALES AND REVENUE

The Committee tracks two bond measures, each of which is subject to an annual audit. All bond issuance and project expenditure values in the following sections originate from that measure's audited financial statement. See footnotes for specific references.

### Measure B (2016)<sup>1</sup>

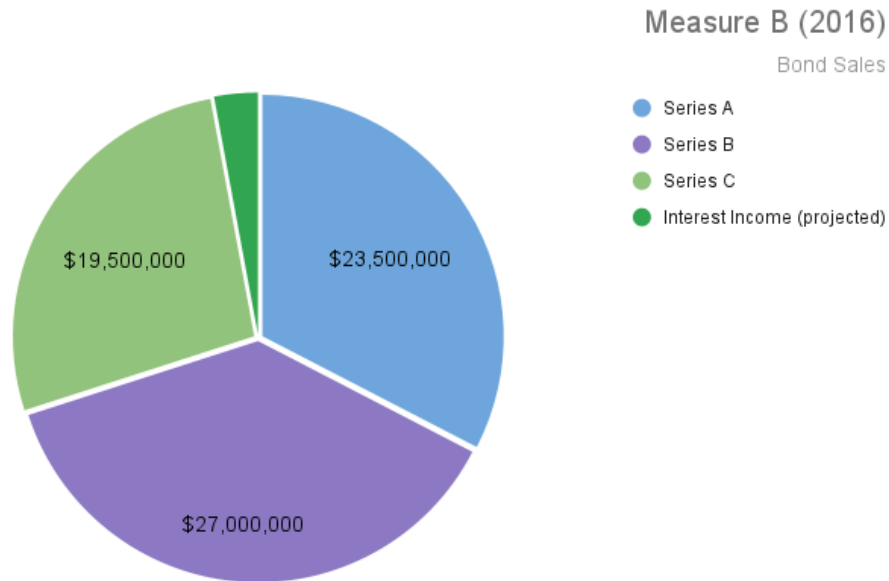
The \$70 million in bonds authorized under Measure B have all been sold. All funds were deposited into the Alameda County Treasury; these funds earn interest income until spent.

More detail is shown in the table below:

Series A (sold October 2016)	\$23,500,000
Series B (sold July 2018)	27,000,000

<sup>1</sup> Bond sales from 'Measure B 2016 Bond Building Fund of Albany Unified School District - Financial and Performance Audit Report For The Year Ended June 30, 2023'; interest income projections as of September 30, 2023.

Series C (sold April 2021)	19,500,000
Interest Income (projected)	2,020,853
Total	\$72,020,853



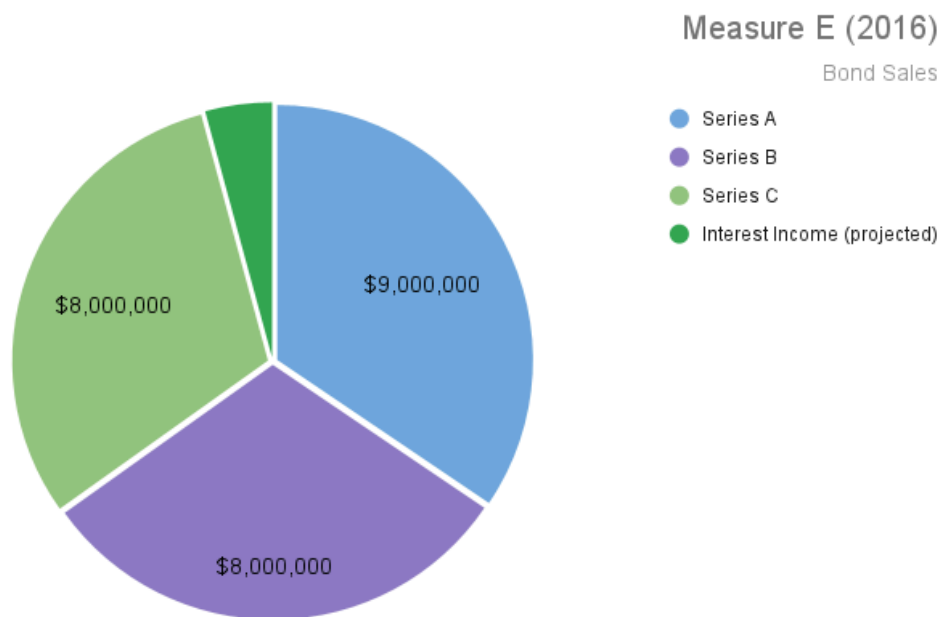
## Measure E (2016)<sup>2</sup>

The \$25 million in bonds authorized under Measure E have all been sold. All funds were deposited into the Alameda County Treasury; these funds earn interest income until spent.

More detail is shown in the table below:

Series A (October 2016)	\$ 9,000,000
Series B (July 2018)	8,000,000
Series C (April 2021)	8,000,000
Interest Income (projected)	1,169,595
Total	\$26,159,595

<sup>2</sup> Bond sales from 'Measure E 2016 Bond Building Fund of Albany Unified School District - Financial and Performance Audit Report For The Year Ended June 30, 2023'; interest income projections as of September 30, 2023.



Both Measure B (2016) and measure E (2016) funds are accounted for in Fund 21 of the District's general ledger.

# EXPENDITURES

The California Constitution specifically limits the expenditures of bond revenues to: construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

## Measure B (2016)

The proceeds of Measure B (2016) are being used to finance specific school facility construction, repair and improvement projects summarized as follows: rebuild Marin and Ocean View elementary schools with seismically safe school facilities that support modern learning standards in subjects such as science, as well as improvements with respect to accessibility, sustainability, and energy efficiency; and improve other school facilities.

## Measure E (2016)

The proceeds of Measure E (2016) are being used to finance specific school facility construction, repair and improvement projects together with the Measure B Authorization, summarized as follows: relieve Albany Middle School overcrowding, construct classrooms, science labs, and flexible learning spaces that meet seismic safety and accessibility codes; replace old portables with modern classrooms; and acquire technology and equipment at all schools to support science, engineering, math, and the humanities.

	<b>Measure B (2016)</b>	<b>Measure E (2016)</b>
Expenditures, FY 2022-23 only <sup>3</sup>	\$2,713,810	\$8,090,770
Total Expenditures, to date, as of 6-30-2023 <sup>4</sup>	\$71,441,750	\$24,859,388
Total Projected Resources <sup>5</sup>	\$72,020,853	\$26,159,595
Projected Available Balance	\$579,103	\$1,300,207

## AUDIT

Measures B (2016), and E (2016) require the Albany Unified School District to prepare annual financial statements for each bond measure and for there to be an annual independent audit of those financial statements to provide assurance that material misstatements are unlikely. The measures also require an annual independent performance audit to test whether bond funds were expended only on the projects authorized in their respective measures, as well as to test AUSD compliance with bidding, contracting and change order requirements for bond funded projects. These audits continue until the projects authorized by a specific bond measure have been completed and all resources have been expended.

The annual financial and performance audits of the Albany Unified School District's Measures B (2016), and E (2016) bonds conducted by Christy White, Inc., an independent auditing firm for fiscal year 2022-23 (i.e. July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023) were presented to the District's School Board on April 16, 2024. For the fiscal year and for each of the two bond measures, the firm's audit reports affirmed the firm's opinion that:

*"the financial statements ... present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the [respective] Bond Building Fund of Albany Unified School District, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America."*

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<sup>3</sup> Per audited AUSD financial statements for FY 2022-23 for specified bond measure

<sup>4</sup> Based on annual audits and unaudited AUSD financial records provided by Patty Paulson of Key Analytics

<sup>5</sup> Per table for specified bond measure in Resources section of this report

No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies were identified in any of the bond measure audit reports for either 2022-23. There were also no audit findings or recommendations reported for any bond measure in either year. The Christy White audit reports were received and reviewed by the CBOC committee at its meetings in April 2024.

As disclosed in the annual independent auditor's reports, the total amounts expended for the two bond measures during the 2022-23 fiscal years totalled \$10,804,580. Itemized lists of expenditures were provided to the CBOC by the Albany Unified School District accounting staff at each meeting as additional supporting documentation to the annual audits.