



# **ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Facilities Needs Assessment: Next Steps Beyond the School Facilities Grant**

May 28, 2024

# Background



## 2014 FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

AUSD had a Facilities Master Plan (FMP) prepared in 2014.

This FMP included stakeholder input, assessed facilities needs and offered recommendations for improvements at the following sites:

- Albany High School
- Albany Middle School
- San Gabriel Site (now AMS Annex)
- Cornell Elementary School
- Marin Elementary School
- Ocean View Elementary School
- Albany Children's Center

The recommended improvements in this FMP, totaled **\$135 million**.

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## 2016 GENERAL OBLIGATIONS BONDS

### Measure E (\$25 Million)

Passed with 74% approval on June 7, 2016

**Ballot Language:** To 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; shall Albany Unified School District issue \$25 Million of bonds at legal rates, with independent oversight, no money for administrators' salaries, and all funds benefitting Albany schools?

### Measure B (\$70 Million)

Passed with 69% approval on June 7, 2016

**Ballot Language:** To rebuild Marin and Ocean View elementary schools with seismically safe school facilities that support modern learning standards in subjects such as science, accessibility, sustainability, and energy efficiency; and improve other school facilities; shall Albany Unified School District issue \$70 Million of bonds at legal rates for the acquisition and improvement of land and facilities, with citizen oversight and all funds staying in Albany to benefit local schools?

In addition to these bond funds, since 2016 AUSD has secured \$27.1 million in matching funds from the State Facilities Funding Program and has applications totaling \$1.6 million in the cue.

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## Collaborative for High Performance Schools

The Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) is a nonprofit organization that works to ensure all K-12 students have access to environments that support learning and wellness.

School facilities constructed or renovated using CHPS high performance building criteria are more energy and water efficient, and make a difference for students, teachers, and communities. CHPS has worked with over 60 school districts nationwide on more than 700 projects to give millions of enrolled students better learning environments.

## Board Policy on CHPS

On August 9, 2016, the AUSD Board adopted Resolution #2016-17-01, providing direction that “every new school, new building and major modernization project – within the budget for the project – meet the CHPS Criteria minimum qualifying point and prerequisite threshold” and that “during the design phase of all District construction projects, architects and staff shall – within the budget for the project – ensure that each design meets or exceeds the minimum requirements for CHPS certification, and shall report the scores for all of the CHPS categories; and the Board strongly recommends project participation in the CHPS Verified program”

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## 2016 BOND PROGRAM



# 2024 Facilities Needs Assessment



The 2024 Facilities Needs Assessment (FNA) was developed with input from teachers, staff and community members. It documents facility needs and proposes potential solutions to be implemented over the next five to ten years. This FNA does not prioritize the needs, which is a separate process to be undertaken by AUSD.

The estimated costs to address High Priority needs identified in this FNA total: **\$144 million.**

## OVERALL PRIORITIES:

- Accessibility
- Security
- HVAC Replacement
- Technology
- Electrification
- Modernization
- New Construction



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# ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL

### High Priority Needs:

- Security
- HVAC
- Technology
- Electrification
- Modernization
- New Construction

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$62,530,000**



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# ALBANY MIDDLE SCHOOL

### High Priority Needs:

- Accessibility
- Security
- HVAC
- Technology
- Electrification
- Modernization

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$8,060,000**





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# CORNELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### High Priority Needs:

- Accessibility
- Security
- Technology
- Modernization
- New Construction

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$40,570,000**







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# MARIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### High Priority Needs:

- Security
- Modernization

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$560,000**





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# OCEAN VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### High Priority Needs:

- Security
- Modernization
- New Construction

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$14,710,000**





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# ALBANY CHILDREN'S CENTER

### High Priority Needs:

- Accessibility
- Security
- HVAC
- Technology
- Electrification
- Modernization
- New Construction

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$17,410,000**





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# ALBANY AQUATIC CENTER

### High Priority Needs:

- Security
- Modernization

Estimated cost to address  
High Priority needs:

**\$450,000**



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## POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

### Phased Construction

Because the need is so large, facilities improvements will have to be done in phases as funding becomes available.

### Evaluate Funding

Evaluation of funding strategies, such as:

- General Fund
- State Facilities Funding
- Developer Fees
- Other Grants
- General Obligation Bond

### Prioritization of Needs