



Barstow Community College November 2026 College Bond Measure

Measure C Fact Sheet

Background: Barstow Community College District serves an essential community role in the High Desert by providing affordable, high-quality higher education, workforce training, and transfer opportunities close to home. Every year, more than 5,300 students, veterans, active-duty service members, and working adults rely on the College to gain the education and skills they need to succeed.

Barstow Community College has two key priorities: first, to prepare students and veterans for academic success, in-demand jobs, and transfer to 4-year colleges and universities; and second, to ensure that classrooms, career training facilities, technology, and campus infrastructure are safe, modern, well maintained, and capable of supporting today's educational and workforce needs. Barstow Community College has worked hard to maintain its campus facilities and be a responsible steward of taxpayer resources. However, after more than 60 years of continuous use, many campus buildings and infrastructure systems require essential repairs and upgrades to support modern technology, hands-on workforce training, and student success. To address these needs and continue providing high-quality educational opportunities for future generations, the District's Board of Trustees has voted to place Measure C on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

Measure C DEFINED: Measure C is a community college facilities bond measure on the November 3, 2026 ballot seeking voter authorization to fund essential repairs and upgrades to Barstow Community College's aging classrooms, career training facilities, technology, and campus infrastructure. Measure C requires 55% voter support to pass. A "YES" vote approves local funding for the District's facilities plan; a "NO" vote rejects the plan.

Measure C Ballot Question: "To repair/upgrade local community college classrooms/labs, maintain affordable higher education in classrooms preparing students/veterans for high-demand jobs/careers, including skilled trades, engineering, nursing; update aging computer technology, emergency systems; repair deteriorating gas/electrical lines; shall Barstow Community College District's measure be adopted authorizing \$37,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying approximately \$25 per \$100,000 assessed valuation (\$2,500,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, requiring spending disclosure, oversight, audits?"

Measure C Project Summary:

- **Prepare** students and veterans for skilled trades, high demand jobs and careers by providing education in modern, safe facilities
- **Maintain** local affordable higher education by using existing District funds on educational programs
- **Repair and Update** deteriorating gas, electrical lines, air conditioning, and heating systems
- **Improve** access to skills training, career counseling, and job placement for veterans and active-duty service members by upgrading the facilities that support these programs
- **Repair and Upgrade** classrooms, labs and facilities supporting career training in technology, engineering, nursing, and other in-demand fields

Taxpayer Safeguards:

- By law, all funds from Measure C must stay local, dedicated to BCCD only.
- An Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, independent annual audits, and regular public reports ensure proper spending of funds.
- Measure C cannot be taken away by the State or used for administrator salaries.

If approved by voters, a \$37 million bond translates to levies of about \$25 per year for every \$100,000 of assessed valuation for property owners. The assessed valuation refers to taxable value, not the market value of your home. If the bond is approved, the typical homeowner in our community college district will pay about \$33 a year, or \$2.78 a month.

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