

Argument in Favor of Measure G

URGENTLY NEEDED REPAIRS WITHOUT RAISING TAXES

Measure G will NOT raise our taxes. Measure G extends the tax rate authorized by voters in 2002, enabling our Colleges to make fire safety repairs and urgently needed renovations.

KEEP COLLEGE AFFORDABLE

The cost to attend California's public universities is six times that of community college. Tens of thousands of East County students rely on Grossmont College and Cuyamaca College to earn college credits and learn job skills. **Measure G will help East County students continue attending local community colleges and transfer to four-year colleges/universities without generating crushing debt.**

REDUCE WILDFIRE RISK

Recent wildfires burned thousands of acres in East County, and the threat keeps growing. Grossmont College needs to increase water storage to be able to fight a major fire. Measure G adds water storage, pressure, and sprinklers to protect both campuses and surrounding neighborhoods and keeps Cuyamaca College available as an East County evacuation center.

REPAIR AGING BUILDINGS AND REPLACE WIRING

Measure G replaces frayed wiring and leaky roofs; renovates outdated electrical/heating systems; and fixes deteriorating bathrooms and broken plumbing.

TRAIN NURSES

Up-to-date labs and training equipment are necessary for Grossmont College to continue providing registered nurses for East County hospitals. Facing a statewide nursing shortage, we can't allow training facilities to fall behind. Measure G will enable these life-saving professionals to acquire these needed skills.

ASSIST VETERANS

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District assists Veterans seeking to learn new skills and rejoin the civilian workforce. Measure G provides new teaching facilities to upgrade programs that serve Veterans.

PROTECT TAXPAYERS

- No increase in current tax rate
- Funds cannot be taken by Sacramento and spent elsewhere
- Annual independent audits and citizens' oversight committee
- Full public disclosure of all spending
- No money for administrator salaries or pensions
- **Endorsed by the San Diego County Taxpayers Association**

Vote YES on Measure G. Keep our colleges safe, affordable, and open for the next generation – without raising our taxes.

The undersigned proponent(s)* or author(s)* of the Direct Argument in favor of Measure G at the General election for the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District to be held on November 3, 2026, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Signed _____ Date _____
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Signed _____ Date _____
Cody Martinez, Tribal Chairman
Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation

Signed _____ Date _____
Mark Arapostathis, Mayor
City of La Mesa

Signed _____ Date _____
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