

# Hartnell Community College District

## Measure T General Obligation Bonds

April 22, 2020



**HARTNELLCOLLEGE**

# Measure T Overview

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Measure T was approved by District voters in November 2016 for \$167 million with 68.7% support

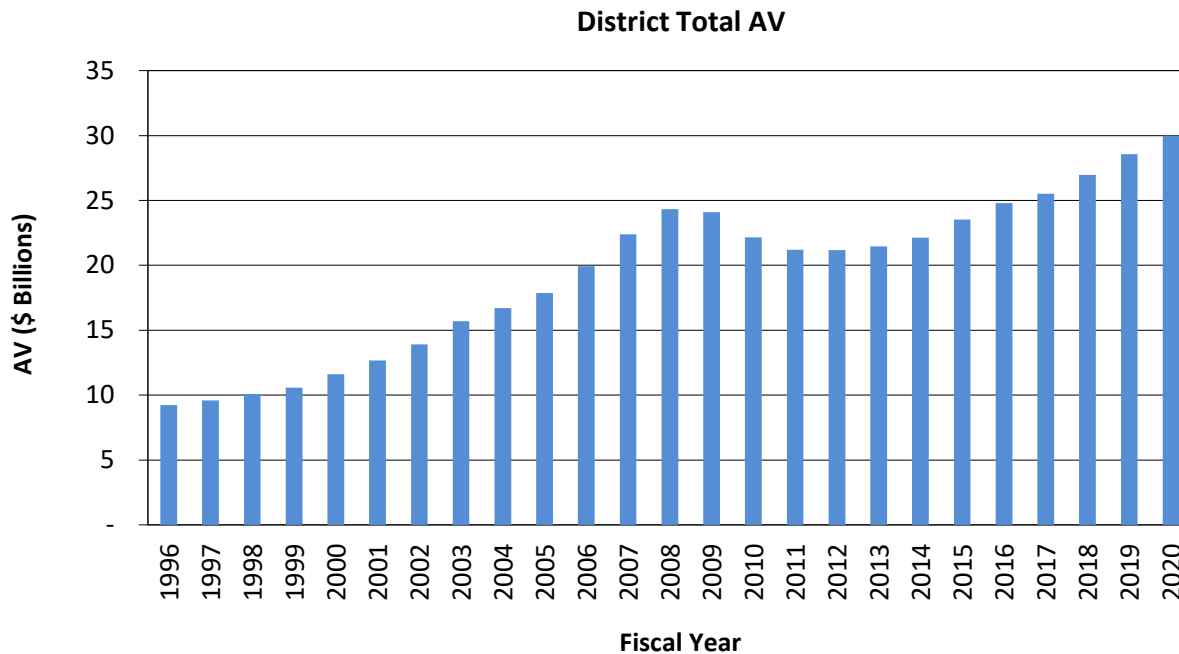
- ◆ Series A bonds were issued for \$70 million in September 2017
- ◆ \$97 million in authorization remains unissued
- ◆ Voter-estimated tax rate of \$19.85 per \$100,000 of assessed value (“AV”)
  - Proposition 39 legal tax rate limit of \$25 per \$100,000 of AV

# AV History

District AV has increased 41.8% over eight consecutive years

◆ Annualized growth rates:

- 1-year: 5.02%
- 5-year: 4.99%
- 10-year: 3.07%
- 15-year: 3.52%
- 20-year: 4.87%



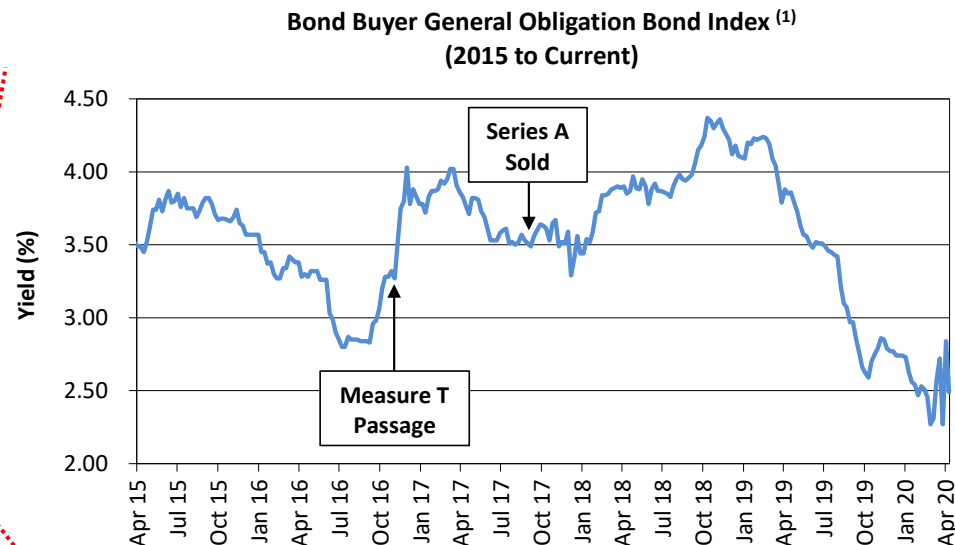
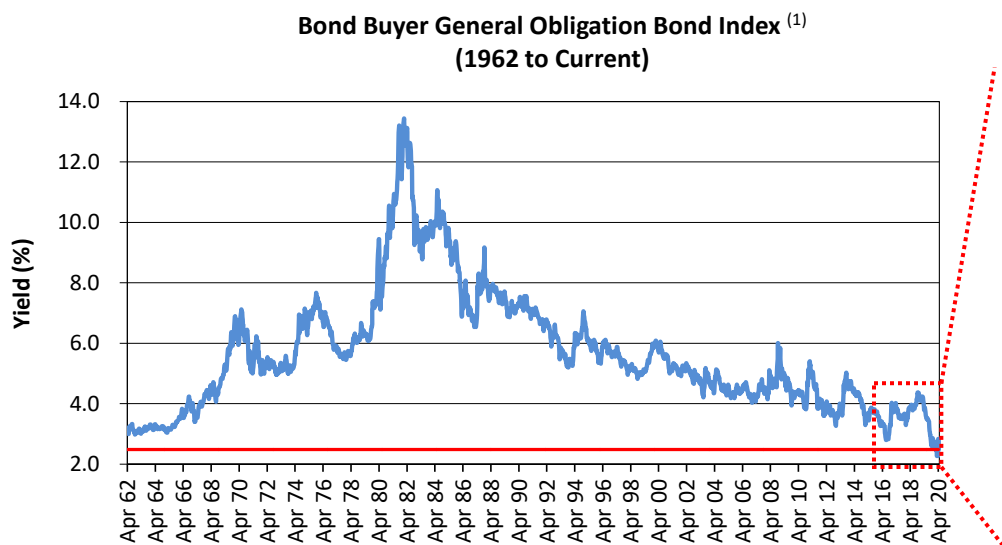
FY	Total AV <sup>(1)</sup>	Annual % Change
1996	\$ 9,216,665,478	
1997	9,601,584,239	4.18 %
1998	10,082,583,339	5.01
1999	10,561,614,729	4.75
2000	11,595,580,483	9.79
2001	12,658,968,881	9.17
2002	13,913,458,344	9.91
2003	15,680,423,551	12.70
2004	16,692,389,281	6.45
2005	17,850,991,122	6.94
2006	19,941,566,701	11.71
2007	22,394,154,634	12.30
2008	24,338,030,786	8.68
2009	24,087,625,393	-1.03
2010	22,161,439,963	-8.00
2011	21,199,638,857	-4.34
2012	21,161,813,298	-0.18
2013	21,465,020,487	1.43
2014	22,130,612,796	3.10
2015	23,513,621,127	6.25
2016	24,790,074,998	5.43
2017	25,513,291,473	2.92
2018	26,966,586,538	5.70
2019	28,564,710,620	5.93
2020	29,999,153,753	5.02

(1) Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc. and Monterey County. Data from 1996 to 2020.

# Historical Municipal Bond Interest Rates

Municipal bond interest rates are near historic lows and have trended downward since Fall 2018 due to:

- ◆ Slowdown in European economies
- ◆ Trade developments with China
- ◆ Geopolitical uncertainties surrounding Iran, Brexit, Hong Kong & U.S. elections
- ◆ Central bank rate cuts/stimulus measures
- ◆ Health concerns over COVID-19

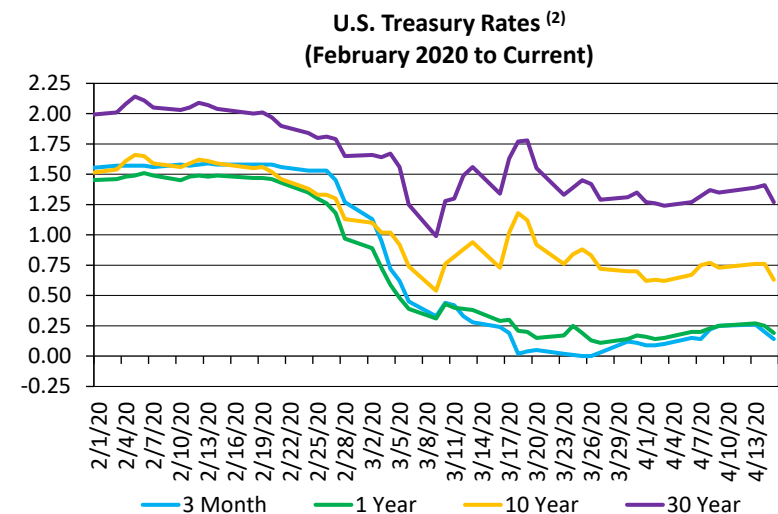
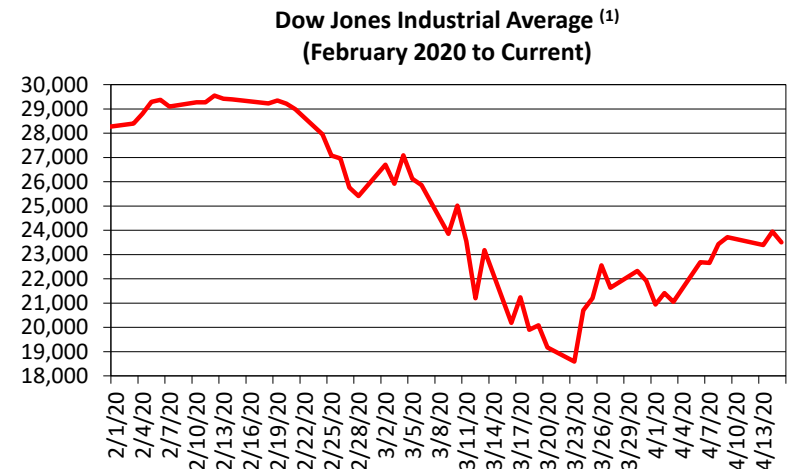


(1) Index reflects average yield to maturity of 20 general obligation bonds with 20-year maturities rated 'Aa2' by Moody's Investors Service and 'AA' by Standard and Poor's. Source: The Bond Buyer & Bloomberg.

# Current Economic Climate

Global markets are currently in a period of extreme uncertainty and volatility:

- ◆ Impact of COVID-19 pandemic
  - Global, national, state, and local emergencies
  - Government lockdowns and closure of borders, schools and businesses
  - Widespread economic slowdown/unemployment
- ◆ On March 15, the Fed surprised markets by dropping rates 1.0% to 0%-0.25%
  - This followed the March 3 surprise where rates were cut 0.5% to 1%-1.25%
- ◆ Central banks announced additional stimulus measures to combat the economic crisis
- ◆ On March 23, the Fed announced “unlimited quantitative easing” to backstop credit markets
- ◆ On March 27, the \$2 trillion emergency stimulus package was signed into law
- ◆ On April 9, the Fed announced \$2.3 trillion in loans to support the economy



(1) Source: Yahoo Finance.

(2) Source: United States Treasury.

# Considerations Going Forward

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More uncertainty and volatility going forward given the unpredictability of COVID-19's impact and response from governments and investors

- ◆ Implementation of more stringent/additional/longer shutdowns?
- ◆ Development of a vaccine or effective treatment?
- ◆ Additional economic stimulus/relief measures?

UCLA Anderson economic forecast <sup>(1)</sup>

- ◆ Prior to COVID-19, continued moderate growth in 2020 was forecast
- ◆ Public health emergency has evolved into an economic emergency and recession
  - GDP contraction will drive unemployment rate to ~13% in Q4 and total job loss to ~17 million
  - Recovery to an employment level equivalent to the end of 2019 will not occur until late 2022
  - Assumptions based on abatement of pandemic and safer-at-home orders this summer
    - If the pandemic is much worse than assumed, the forecast will be too optimistic whereas if the pandemic abates quicker, then the forecast will be too pessimistic
- ◆ Recession expected to be more severe in California than for nation overall
  - Larger proportion of economic activity in tourism and trans-Pacific transportation
  - State's unemployment rate predicted at ~16% with 2.2 million jobs lost
  - Sharp contraction in income and taxable sales will cause increased stress for state and local government

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(1) Source: Summarized from UCLA Anderson Forecast, March 12, 2020 and revisions on March 16, 2020 and April 10, 2020.

# Current Municipal Bond Market

In the current economic climate, a flight to quality/liquidity has taken place where Treasury rates have declined (Exhibit 1) while municipal bond rates have increased (Exhibit 2) as investors withdraw billions from municipal bond funds (Exhibit 3)

**Exhibit 1**  
(US 10-Year Treasury Yield)



**Exhibit 2**  
(Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond Index)



**Exhibit 3**  
(Municipal Bond Fund Weekly In/Outflows)



**Exhibit 4**  
(Recent CA K-14 Bond Financings)

Date	Issuer Description	State	Amt (MM)	Status	Type	Industry	Hoody's SBP	Security Type
03/02/2020	CHAFFEY CCD-REF-TXBL	CA	59,955	FINAL	NEG	Community College	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
03/02/2020	ONNARD UN HSD -REF-TXBL	CA	55,450	REPRICED	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
03/09/2020	CALIFORNIA ST	CA	1019,085	FINAL	NEG	General Obligation	Aa2	AA- G.O. Unlimited
03/09/2020	CALIFORNIA ST-REF	CA	1076,425	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
03/09/2020	ESCONDIDO UNION SD -C	CA	17,070	FINAL	NEG	School District	APPLIED	G.O. Unlimited
03/09/2020	SAN DIEGO UNIF SD SR-2	CA	92,510	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
03/16/2020	ALTA LOMA SD-C	CA	17,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
03/16/2020	HEALDSBURG UNIF SD -C	CA	17,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	AA+	G.O. Unlimited
03/16/2020	SALINAS UN HSD -REF-B	CA	83,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	A+ G.O. Unlimited
03/30/2020	AL EXANDER UN UN SD-B	CA	2,880	FINAL	NEG	School District	AAA	G.O. Unlimited
04/06/2020	GROSPONT UNIF HIGD SD	CA	45,400	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
04/06/2020	SHORELINE UNIF SD-B	CA	12,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	AA+	G.O. Unlimited
04/06/2020	SHORELINE UNIF SD-REF	CA	2,205	FINAL	NEG	School District	AA+	G.O. Unlimited
04/06/2020	VACAVILLE UNIF SCH DIST-B	CA	71,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa2	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	CALIFORNIA ST	CA	625,000	THUR	NEG	General Obligation	APPLIED AA-	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	CALIFORNIA ST -REF	CA	375,000	THUR	NEG	General Obligation	APPLIED AA-	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	CLAREMONT UNIF TXBL -RRF	CA	13,000	DAY/DAY	NEG	School District	APPLIED	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	HILLSBOROUGH CITY SD	CA	55,000	DAY/DAY	NEG	School District	AA	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	HILLSBOROUGH CITY-CABS	CA	12,000	DAY/DAY	NEG	School District	AA	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	LA CANADA UNIF SCH DIST	CA	7,755	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa1	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	LA CANADA UNIF SCH DIST-B	CA	30,000	FINAL	NEG	School District	Aa1	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	SAN DIEGO UNIF UN HSD -REF	CA	145,000	DAY/DAY	NEG	School District	APPLIED AA	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	SAN JOAQUIN DELTA CCD	CA	95,290	DAY/DAY	NEG	Community College	APPLIED	G.O. Unlimited
04/13/2020	W CONTRA COSTA UNIF SD	CA	255,000	DAY/DAY	NEG	School District	APPLIED AA-	G.O. Unlimited

- ◆ Highly-rated/secure financings are experiencing greater success in getting sold to investors (Exhibit 4)

Source: Graphs from Bloomberg.

# Credit Ratings

The 3 major credit rating agencies are:

- ◆ Moody's
- ◆ Standard & Poor's ("S&P")
- ◆ Fitch

The credit rating factors and weighting are as follows:

- ◆ Local economy (30%)
- ◆ District finances (30%)
- ◆ District management (20%)
- ◆ District debt/pension (20%)

The District's current credit ratings are:

- ◆ Moody's: Aa2
- ◆ S&P: AA
- ◆ Fitch: N/A

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	Rating Description
Investment grade	Aaa	AAA	AAA	Prime
	Aa1	AA+	AA+	High grade
	Aa2	AA	AA	
	Aa3	AA-	AA-	
	A1	A+	A+	Upper medium grade
	A2	A	A	
	A3	A-	A-	
	Baa1	BBB+	BBB+	Lower medium grade
	Baa2	BBB	BBB	
Baa3	BBB-	BBB-		
Non-investment grade	Ba1	BB+	BB+	Speculative
	Ba2	BB	BB	
	Ba3	BB-	BB-	
	B1	B+	B+	Highly speculative
	B2	B	B	
	B3	B-	B-	
	Caa1 & below	CCC+ & below	CCC & below	Extremely speculative/ Default



# Measure T Illustration

Future Measure T bonds can be issued under the voter-estimated tax rate of \$19.85 per \$100,000 of AV

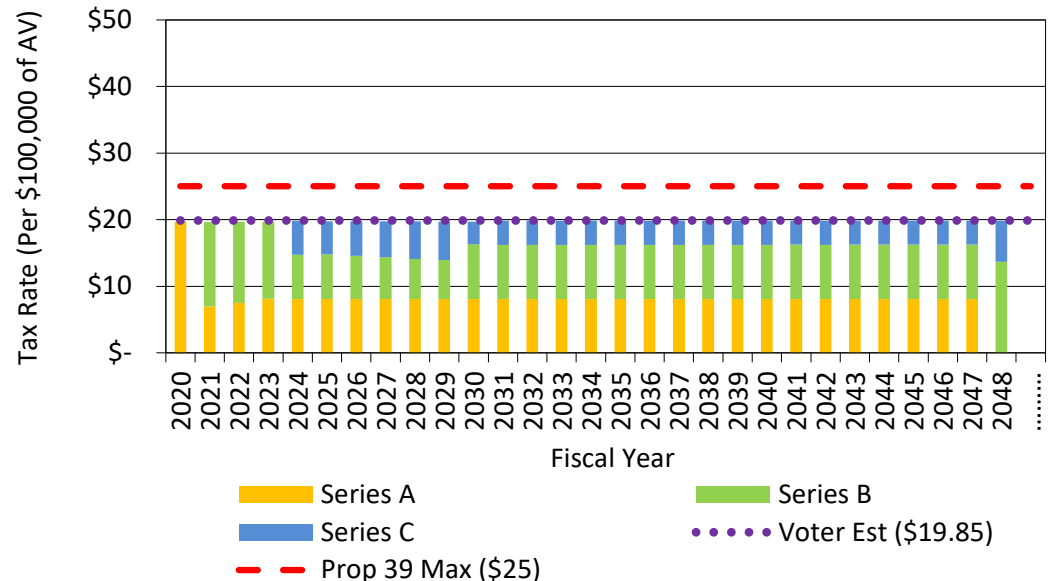
◆ **Assumptions:**

- Annual AV growth <sup>(2)</sup>:
  - 2020-21: 2.0%
  - 2021-22: 3.0%
  - Thereafter: 3.5%
- Interest rates:
  - Series A: 3.5% <sup>(3)</sup>
  - Series B: ~3.0%-4.0% <sup>(4)</sup>
  - Series C: TBD
- Use of current interest bonds only

**Illustrative Issuance Schedule <sup>(1)</sup>**

Issue	Issue Date	Proceeds
Series A	September 2017	\$ 70,000,000
Series B	July 2020	70,000,000
Series C	Fall 2023	27,000,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 167,000,000</b>

**Illustrative Measure T Projected Tax Rates**



(1) Issuance schedule for illustrative purposes only. Actual amounts and dates will be tailored to the District’s project needs.  
 (2) Lower than historical assessed value growth rates.  
 (3) Represents the actual all-inclusive interest cost.  
 (4) Current interest rates have experienced significant volatility within the past month. Financing results are subject to market fluctuations until Bonds are sold.

# Next Steps

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Following are the next steps to complete the financing plan

- 1) Bring legal documents back to the Board of Trustees for consideration
- 2) Present District credit profile and receive ratings
- 3) Circulate offering document to prospective investors
- 4) Sell bonds/lock interest rates
- 5) Close financing/receive proceeds

While current economic conditions remain uncertain, the District can “gear up” its financing for a July 2020 issuance to be in a position to execute the sale

- ◆ Completion of steps 1 to 3 above provides the ability to monitor the markets to enter when conditions have settled
- ◆ Given the District’s recent strong AV growth, there is tax rate capacity under the \$19.85 tax rate estimate to absorb potentially higher interest rates

# Questions?

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Thank you for your time and we welcome any questions!