Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Budget in Brief – 2011-12

Summary of the Governor's May Revision for Fiscal Year 2011-12

On May 16, 2011, Governor Brown released the much anticipated May Revision of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-12. The Governor's focus is on long-term solutions rather than one-time budget fixes. The original proposal in January estimated the budget gap to be \$25.4 billion. The proposal included a balanced approach to closing the budget gap, which included spending cuts and revenue extensions.

In February 2011 the Governor cancelled the sale of state buildings, which would have cost the state \$6 billion over the long term. This increased the budget gap to \$26.6 billion.

In March 2011 the legislature passed a budget bill, which included \$13.4 billion in spending cuts and other solutions. The Governor was not successful in getting the revenue extensions through the legislature for a June special election.

The May Revision includes:

- -\$26.6 billion budget gap
- +\$14.0 billion in cuts and other solutions approved in March
- -\$0.6 billion in erosions of March package (due to implementation delays)
- -\$1.0 billion due to Proposition 10 litigation
- +\$6.6 billion in general fund revenues identified in May Revision
- -\$2.0 billion in new costs
- =\$10.8 billion

Below is a summary of the Governor's May Revision as it relates to the California Community Colleges and the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District. The major components of the 2011-12 May Revision for California Community Colleges include:

For the Budget Year 2011-12

- Decrease of \$400 million in base funding
- Increase in fees from \$26 per unit to \$36 per unit (\$110 million)
- 0.00% COLA funding though the budget estimates a 1.67% COLA
- Reduction of inter-year apportionment deferrals from \$961 million to \$611 million, which increases cash flow but does not help close the budget gap
- Increase in property tax estimates, which lowers the state general apportionment (no net increase to community colleges)
- Extension of categorical flexibility through to 2014-15
- Reduction of K-14 mandates, streamline future funding through block grants

Sources of Information: California Community Colleges System Office Community College League of California School Services of California (SSC) Office of the Governor website 5/17/2011