

Rogue Community College – Redwood Campus

Matching Funds

In May of 2016, Rogue Community College **passed a \$20 million bond**, providing matching funds for capital construction at the Redwood Campus in the 2017-2019 biennium.

Need

Healthcare and science are both in our top five fastest growing job sectors in Southern Oregon. In order to prepare our students for these careers, we must have modern facilities suited for today's teaching and learning strategies that provide skills needed in the workplace.

Science Building – Project Cost \$12 million (\$6 million from state match legislative funding)

The current science building is forty years old and is an outdated design with all labs open to each other. This presents significant safety issues for our students and faculty, including the lack of safe barriers to fire, fumes and active shooters. These laboratory spaces no longer meet minimum standards for science laboratory safety. There is also inadequate storage for laboratory supplies.

These laboratories support the following programs:

- Registered Nursing
- Practical Nursing
- Twelve Allied Health programs (phlebotomy, medical coding, medical assistant, etc.)
- All science, technology, and engineering majors
- Science curriculum required for the Oregon transfer module

This project provides updated science labs and equipment, as well as sixteen thousand additional square feet.

Nursing Building - Project Cost: \$4 million (\$2 million from state match legislative funding)

The Nursing building is a fifty-year-old Job Corps modular building converted for instruction. Classrooms are small and restrict program growth. There is no simulation laboratory space at this location, and all students are required to drive thirty-five miles to another campus for simulation labs. Healthcare is our fastest growing job sector in the Rogue Valley. Asante hospital system reports it currently has nine hundred regional job openings, three hundred in nursing.

This project provides updated skills labs and equipment, as well as five thousand additional square feet.

Return on Investment

Our Nursing and Allied Health graduates are hired quickly after (and often before) graduation.

The income of our twenty-nine nursing graduates (now taxpayers) in May 2016 was \$1.6 million in their first year of employment in the Rogue Valley.

The income of Allied Health graduates with a certificate earned in one year or less averages over \$16 per hour, and these programs are recognized for bringing students out of poverty and into living wage jobs.

The Science Building and Nursing Building will support programs that lead to secure, high-wage jobs.



Science & Nursing Buildings

Science Building

Project Cost: \$12 million – includes \$6 million legislative funding

- Science building 40 years old
- Supports RN, PN, 12 Allied Health programs, STEM, and numerous other programs of study
- Healthcare and science are top 5 growing job sectors
- Project provides updates to labs and equipment, and 16,000 additional square feet



Nursing Building

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