

## Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure V

The two opponents have opposed virtually all investments in local schools and colleges without regard to the students' needs. When you look past ideology and study the facts, you see why **Measure V is needed now more than ever.**

In these challenging times, Measure V ensures local workers and students have **affordable access to quality education and job training**, which is critical for a strong recovery.

- During an economic downturn and tight job market, **laid-off workers DEPEND on affordable career training to develop new skills** that match the needs of employers who are hiring. Measure V upgrades and expands career training classrooms, labs and equipment to provide skills students need to compete for good jobs.
- With the cost of UC, Cal State and other universities rising, more **students RELY on MPC to complete their first two years of college affordably**. Measure V ensures MPC has safe and up-to-date classrooms, labs and facilities.
- Measure V makes **critical health and safety upgrades** to help return to safe in-person learning and supports technology for online classes.
- Measure V **strengthens our college AND our economy**. MPC is a vital economic engine, training essential workers and generating millions annually in economic activity.
- Monterey Peninsula College has a **strong record of fiscal accountability**. It's been almost 20 years since MPC's last college improvement measure and citizens' oversight reports show those funds were spent responsibly.

Measure V costs the typical homeowner less than \$8 per month and requires independent oversight and audits.

**Support local students and workers. Vote YES on V.**

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