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**Los Angeles Community Colleges Award More Than \$47.7 Million in Construction Contracts, Including Los Angeles Valley College's New Allied Health and Sciences Center**

*Contracts Will Bring Needed Construction Services and Upgrades at Los Angeles Mission and Valley Colleges as Part of the \$2.2 Billion Proposition A/AA Bond Program*

**LOS ANGELES—May 3, 2006—**The Los Angeles Community Colleges, consisting of nine Los Angeles-area colleges, announced today that it has awarded \$47,709,170 in construction contracts to four separate businesses for construction and upgrade projects at two of its colleges. The bulk of the money is for the primary contract to construct the new Allied Health and Sciences Center at Los Angeles Valley College. Each contract is the result of formal competitive bidding and will be funded by Propositions A/AA, as part of the \$2.2 billion bond measure construction program overwhelmingly approved by voters in 2001 and 2003.

The Colleges' Board of Trustees authorized the following construction contracts on March 22, 2006:

**Los Angeles Valley College:** A contract was authorized with FTR International, Inc. a small and local business based in Irvine, Calif. to provide construction services for the new Allied Health and Sciences Center building project in the amount of \$46,038,000. This project is funded primarily by Proposition A/AA Bond proceeds, and has also received \$15 million from the state. The new Allied Health and Sciences Center will be a 3-story, 98,000 sq. ft. facility that will house teaching labs and classrooms, and incorporate "green building" elements, including energy-efficiency measures.

A contract was also authorized with Delmac Construction & Development, Inc. a local business based in Glendale, Calif. to provide construction services for the Campus-wide restrooms project in the amount of \$1,642,245. This contract is the result of formal competitive bidding and is funded through Proposition A/AA Bond proceeds.

**Los Angeles Mission College:** A contract was authorized with Three D – Traffic Works, a business based in Burbank, Calif. to provide construction services for the General Roadways, Walkways, Grounds, Parking Lots – project for \$2,425. Three D – Traffic Works will provide installation of traffic delineators for traffic diversions at the campus.

An agreement was also authorized with P.G. & J for the Leak Repair project for the Learning Assistance Center at a cost of \$26,500. Funding for this project is provided through Proposition A/AA Bond proceeds.

The Los Angeles Community Colleges have surpassed a goal of awarding at least 28 percent of all contracting dollars for Proposition A/AA Bond projects to small, local, emerging and/or disabled veteran-owned businesses. Since the Bond program's inception, the Colleges' Board of Trustees has awarded businesses in these categories more than \$247 million in contracts.

The Los Angeles Community Colleges are committed to contracting with local and small businesses. Companies interested in participating in the historic renovation and modernization of the nine campuses are encouraged to contact Donetta Pickett at Donetta.Pickett@dmjmjgm.com, and to visit [www.PropositionA.org](http://www.PropositionA.org) and click on "Doing Business with Us."

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