



# LACCD BUILDS GREEN

Los Angeles Community College District

## Major Accomplishments of the Sustainable Building Program

The LACCD's Sustainable Building Program:

- Is modernizing LACCD's nine colleges, most of which had gone decades without significant upgrades or major investments. In total, the Program is undertaking more than **350 separate projects**, of which more than 225 have been completed.
- Is pumping more than **\$6 billion into the struggling Los Angeles economy**, creating thousands of good-paying jobs. In 2009 alone, the program is spending about \$735 million.
- Is constructing (or has already opened) **brand new academic buildings** at all nine colleges.
- Is building or renovating **libraries** at seven of the colleges.
- Is building **child development centers** at seven of the nine campuses, to both train the next generation of child development experts and to provide students with top quality day care for their children. Four of these buildings, at City, Mission, Trade-Tech and Southwest, are already in use.
- Is building or renovating **athletic facilities** at eight of the colleges.
- Is one of the **nation's largest green construction initiatives**, with **85 major projects expected to achieve LEED** (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) standards.
- Has installed **one of the largest solar thermal systems in the nation** at Los Angeles Valley College.
- Has **helped make the manufacturing of carpet greener**. By virtue of its size and demanding sustainability requirements, carpet manufacturers are now, among other things, using substantially more recycled material and are turning out products that are themselves fully recyclable.
- Is **saving** what it is estimated to exceed **25 million gallons of water a year** through the installation of more than 1,100 waterless urinals.
- Is **helping to recharge our local groundwater** by using pervious concrete that allows storm water to directly percolate through the concrete, instead of running off into the sewer system.

For more information on the LACCD Sustainable Building Program, please visit [www.laccdbuildsgreen.org](http://www.laccdbuildsgreen.org).