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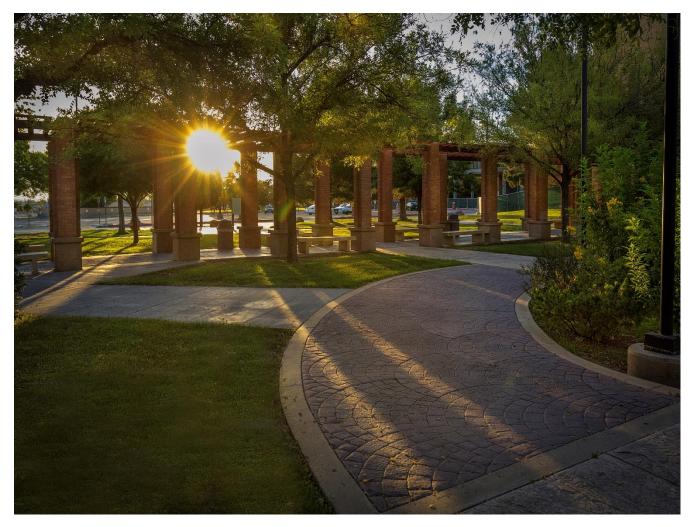
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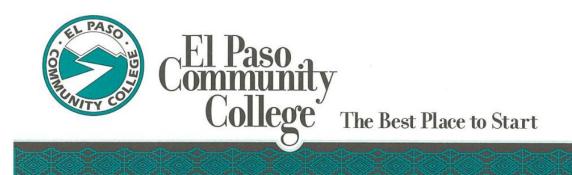
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# **INTRODUCTORY SECTION**



Valle Verde Campus





February 28, 2018

To the Citizens of El Paso County Community College District:

The comprehensive annual financial report of the El Paso County Community College District ("the District" or "the College" or "EPCC") for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017, is hereby submitted. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the District. To the best of our knowledge, the enclosed data are accurate in all material respects and are reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the District. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the District's financial activities have been included.

The District is reporting as a special purpose government engaged solely in business type activity (BTA). Adhering to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements 34 (amended by GASB 63) and 35, this presentation of financial reporting combines all fund groups into a single column and includes the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows. The Board of Trustees has no financial accountability over the El Paso Community College Foundation or any governmental unit, and, accordingly, only the financial data for El Paso County Community College District are included in this report.

The District is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller of the United States. Information related to this single audit, including the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards and auditor's reports on the internal control and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, is included in the single audit section of this report.

El Paso County Community College District is committed to offering quality educational programs and services for the people of El Paso County at a reasonable cost as stated in the College mission statement. The District provides a wide range of programs, including general academic, technical-vocational, student development services, continuing education, and community service. The College also prides itself in pursuing economic initiatives through workforce and business development, community partnerships and global outreach.

In addition, the faculty, staff and students of El Paso Community College are committed to the philosophy and principles of a learning college. As such they affirm and embrace the core values of communication, competence, integrity, personal growth, respect, student success and trust.

#### PROFILE OF DISTRICT

El Paso County Community College District was established as a county junior college district in June 1969, when the citizens of El Paso County voted to create the District. The District encompasses all of El Paso County, an area of 1,058 square miles (with an estimated population of 904,586 as of 2017), which includes the City of El Paso and twelve other cities and towns. The District operates as a comprehensive junior college under the State of Texas laws, and is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees elected to six-year terms from single-member districts. The Board has financial accountability and control over all District activities.

## ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

El Paso County is situated in the western most tip of Texas and, combined with Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, Mexico, represents one of the largest international border communities in the world. Outstanding weather, low cost of living, and competitive labor costs make El Paso an attractive location for businesses. El Paso County businesses have access to El Paso International Airport, which is located only 15 minutes from the central business district. The City of El Paso is currently the sixth largest city in the state of Texas and the 19th largest city in the United States. In June 2010, the City of El Paso was named "All-America City" by the National Civic League for its outstanding civic accomplishments in innovation, civic engagement and special efforts to respond to local challenges. It was the first time in four decades that El Paso had received this honor. El Paso has also ranked #1 Safest U.S. city (population over 500,000) for five consecutive years and #18 as America's Best Performing Cities for growth in jobs, income and high tech GDP among 200 largest metropolitan areas. In 2016, El Paso experienced a growth of 12,000 jobs, which represented a 1.7% increase and outperformed the state of Texas by 1.6%.

Additionally, El Paso was ranked #1 (of the best) in Texas as part of the 2017's Best & Worst Run Cities in America survey conducted by WalletHub. In 2016, El Paso was ranked #3 as one of the nation's Top Cities to Raise a Family, and the 11<sup>th</sup> Largest Exporter of Goods Nationwide, by the Brookings Institution. In 2017, according to U.S. News and World Report, the City ranked 14<sup>th</sup> as one the 2017's Best Places to Live in the U.S. for quality of life.

El Paso has become the home of computer manufacturing, telecommunications, and consumer products. Other industries include copper refining, medical equipment processing, electrical component manufacturing, plastic injection molding, southwestern food products, and natural gas pipeline operations. The Borderplex Alliance, a non-profit organization, is dedicated to economic development and policy advocacy in the El Paso region and is supported by a coalition of business, community and civic leaders who have a vision to bring new investment and jobs to the Borderplex region. Key industries in the Borderplex region include:

- Advanced logistics
- Advanced manufacturing
- Business services
- Defense and Aerospace
- Life Sciences and Healthcare
- Tourism

There are significant opportunities within each of those target industries for manufacturing, engineering and research/development. Other target industries include shared services, data & contact centers, and manufacturing/suppliers. El Paso is home to a youthful population whose labor force is diverse, bilingual and ready for an expanding economy. Coupled with a strong work ethic and situated in a right-to-work state with very low unionization, this rapidly growing labor force continues to attract a variety of industries to the region. Educational needs are provided by a variety of institutions to include the University of Texas at El Paso, Texas Tech University and El Paso Community College.

In April 2013, El Paso's former City Hall was demolished by implosion to make way for a new baseball stadium with the goal to revitalize the El Paso Downtown area. Named Southwest University Park, the new \$72 million facility is located downtown and opened in April 2014 with a capacity of 9,500 to accommodate its cheering fans. The home of the El Paso Chihuahuas playing in the Pacific Coast League, the stadium was voted Best New Ballpark in 2014 by Ballpark Digest and is certified LEED Gold by the U.S. Green Building Council.

To date, Downtown El Paso has seen over \$500 million in public and private investments since 2006 and is re-establishing itself as the heart of the community with a redevelopment plan that will transform 302.5 acres into a vibrant place to live, work, play, shop and visit. A 4.8-mile trolley street is underway and will be operational in 2018.

In November 2013, the \$70 million Fountains at Farah Center opened as a 600,000 square-foot shopping center spread over 55 acres of property that was the home of a former clothing factory. Initially, over 30 stores and seven restaurants signed up as tenants and the shopping center is supported by an 8-acre parking garage with more than 1,000 spaces. In addition to trendy boutiques and mid-range department stores, the center features a refreshing open-air atmosphere with numerous cascading water displays, entertainment venues, and patio dining.

To accommodate El Paso's growth as a regional healthcare research and education center, the 2003 Texas legislative session approved the addition of the first- and second- year medical studies to the third- and fourth-year medical program offered by the Texas Tech University Health Science Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine campus. As one of the newest four-year medical schools in the nation and only the second U.S. medical school to receive accreditation in the last quarter of a century, the school opened its first class in August 2009 and offers significant opportunities for discovery, research and development efforts in healthcare issues associated with the border location and the growth and transformation of Fort Bliss. A Texas Tech study showed the school will have an economic impact of \$1.5 billion and will create more than 500 jobs. In addition, on April 2011, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved the establishment of the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing in El Paso (GGHSON), followed by the Texas Board of Nursing's approval. In August 2012, the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents approved the formation of a GGHSON's traditional Bachelor of Science Degree and the Second Degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing Programs. In April 2013, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education's Board of Commissioners granted accreditation to the Baccalaureate Degree Program in Nursing for five years, extending to June 2018. In addition, Texas Tech also offers the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences which offers students the opportunity to expand their knowledge through an innovative curriculum.

In February 2012, the first El Paso Children's Hospital opened to the public. A separately licensed, non-taxing, independent, 501(c) 3 not-for-profit hospital in the El Paso Region, the El Paso Children's Hospital at 225,000 square feet is the largest expansion of pediatric medical services in West Texas in recent history and the only dedicated pediatric hospital with a 200-mile radius of the county. The hospital features 122 private pediatric rooms designed and furnished with the comfort and the state-of-art technology to meet the needs of children and their families. El Paso Children's Hospital benefits from its partnerships with the Medical Center of the Americas, the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and University Medical Center of El Paso.

The Hospitals of Providence (THOP) and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) El Paso in conjunction with Medistar Corporation collaborated on a new multimillion-dollar teaching hospital and a 110,000 sq. ft. medical office building in far West El Paso. The new hospital opened with 106 beds and is operating as part of The Hospitals of Providence (THOP), Tenet's system of hospitals and outpatient centers in El Paso. It serves as a teaching facility for medical students, nursing students, resident physicians, and faculty for TTUHSC's Paul L. Foster School of Medicine, offering training for up to 100 medical residents across a multiyear program.

El Paso is also home to Fort Bliss, the Army's Air Defense Artillery Center and School and the integrated field-testing for the Army's Future Combat System (FCS) program. Fort Bliss, second largest Army installation in the U.S. Army, currently hosts more than 32,000 active military personnel, 40,000 family members, 2,900 reservists, and employs more than 12,000 civilians with an overall business output of \$6 billion in the El Paso community. In addition, Fort Bliss has been named the Army's Center for Renewable Energy. The goal has been set to produce enough energy from wind, sun and geothermal energy to power the post by 2025 at a project cost of \$120 million. Also located on Fort Bliss is the Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Plant which desalinates the groundwater of the Hueco Bolson for use by El Paso and Fort Bliss. A joint study by Fort Bliss and El Paso area city governments found that desalination was a viable method for increasing El Paso's water supply by 25%. This plant is currently the largest non-seawater desalination plant in the world.

Currently underway and with a major impact on the El Paso economy is the construction of the new \$1.5 billion William Beaumont Army Medical Center that will replace the existing medical center. The LEED Silver facility will consist of a main hospital, inpatient and outpatient clinics, administrative and research buildings, central utility plant, two access control points and 4,000 parking spaces. It will be comprised of 135 beds, 10 operating rooms, and will have 30 specialty clinics. Additionally, the project supports 15 graduate Medical Education, Nursing and enlisted training programs.

Based on its current partnership in providing educational services to the Fort Bliss soldiers, the District expects that the new Department of Defense's projects and global repositioning will result in additional enrollment in the years to come, which is the basis for planning the construction of a new campus to be located on Fort Bliss adjacent to the upcoming William Beaumont Medical Center. In the midst of the new economy, El Paso Community College is a major leader in providing the training and education necessary to prepare its students to enter the workforce.

#### **GROWTH OF STUDENT POPULATION**

Over the last ten years, student enrollment has grown from approximately 25,823 students in fall 2008 to 28,933 in fall 2017 or 12.04 percent. However, over the last four years, the College has experienced an economy-driven single digit decline in enrollment, largely caused by the significant improvement in the Texas economy. High paying jobs have attracted many students to the workforce, which has affected overall enrollment at most Texas community colleges. Although the local unemployment rate declined from 10.3% in 2012 to 3.8% in 2017, demand for educational services at the College should remain strong. To address the drop in enrollment and provide a managed action plan, the College has adopted strategic enrollment management best practices and created the Enrollment Services Task Force that regularly convenes planning sessions to develop outreach and market strategies that can remove any barriers potential students as well as continuing students may be having. With the hope that the declined enrollment trend will reverse itself and with the planned Fort Bliss expansion, the College continues to serve business and industry with employee training in dozens of areas, from technical training to office skills to Basic English and Math.

Another growth factor has been the implementation of the Dual Credit program enticing students from the local high schools to enroll in college courses at no cost while finishing their secondary education. Under the Dual Credit program, El Paso Community College offers fundamental core courses to qualified high school seniors and juniors in the high school campuses during daytime periods. Students receive both high school credit and college credit for the courses they take in the dual credit program. This program grew from 396 students at inception in fall 2002 to 4,782 in fall 2017, and is expected to continue growing as expanding the program was one of the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislature's top priorities for providing more access to higher education.

Another contributor to student enrollment growth is the very innovative Early College High School Program undertaken by the College in 2005 and that continues to grow with 2,492 students enrolled in fall 2017 at four college campuses, two rural high schools and six urban high schools from eight different school districts. This program is further explained as a major initiative of the District.

## MAJOR INITIATIVES:

#### Capital Projects:

• To address future growth of the District, the Board of Trustees approved a contract with the SmithGroupJJR, a national architecture firm to develop a master plan for the College district and make recommendations for improvements to the College's existing facilities to be based on enrollment growth patterns and community demographics among other variables. This contract also includes the design of the Fort Bliss campus. It is expected that these recommendations will enhance the District's ability to continue serving the community through 2025. The \$255 million plan approved by the Board of Trustees in August 2015 addresses classroom and other learning space deficiencies by recommending the construction of additional learning spaces and improvements to the existing infrastructure, to include buildings and their mechanical and technology support systems along with parking facilities

and roads. The first phase of the master plan was launched in spring 2016 when the Board of Trustees approved ECM International as the Project Manager for the implementation of those projects identified to be completed by fall 2019. The College continues to address internal capital projects to maintain the current infrastructure and mechanical systems. The most recent projects include: completion of the Architecture facility on the Valle Verde campus to house the architectural program funded mostly by a five-year grant from the Department of Education and in partnership with the Texas Tech University School of Architecture; conversion of the Biology lab to an Anatomy lab at the Mission del Paso campus; expansion and remodeling of restrooms at the Valle Verde A building; district-wide improvements to infrastructure and mechanical systems; replacement of the Transmountain campus original roof; district-wide classroom and office door locks installation; and design of projects identified in Phase I of the Master Plan.

Pending and future projects include:

- Installation of the new Police radio communication system.
- Relocation of Fire Technology Program at the Valle Verde campus
- Renovation of gym floor at the Valle Verde campus
- Renovation of vacated space at the Transmountain campus for art classroom and chemistry labs
- Completion of access road to the Mission del Paso campus
- Purchase of real estate for future campus growth
- Partial completion of projects identified in Phase I of the Master Plan

All facilities construction and renovations are financed by student tuition and fees, unexpended revenue bond proceeds, Plant Funds, and Auxiliary Fund reserves, and are not paid for by local taxes.

#### Academic:

El Paso Community College was one of fifty-eight colleges in nine states participating in the "Achieving the Dream: Community Colleges Count" initiative. This was a multi-year national initiative aimed at helping more community college students, particularly low-income, to succeed. Each college is committed to examining data on student achievement; basing decisions on data; confronting and addressing achievement gaps; monitoring progress closely; and sharing findings broadly. The main focus is the four policy areas of accountability and data; developmental education; financial aid; and funding. The start-up funding for Achieving the Dream was provided by Lumina Foundation for Education for the original 27 colleges in five states, which were included in the initiative's initial launch. Additional funding was provided by the Knowledge Works Foundation, the Nellie Mae Education Foundation, Heinz Endowments, Houston Endowment Inc., and College Spark Washington. El Paso Community College was in the first cohort of community colleges to participate in the Achieving the Dream initiative with a proposal of a \$50,000 one-year planning grant and later with a proposal for an implementation grant of \$400,000 over a four-year period. El Paso Community College was named an Achieving the Dream Leader College in 2013 and was recertified as a Leader College in 2016 for another three years. In 2017, EPCC was one of more than 220 participating colleges in 40 states. This status recognizes the College for its work in enhancing student success through

initiatives such as College Readiness, the Prep Program, Early College High Schools, Math Emporiums, and Summer Bridge (Project Dream). As a Leader College and mentor, the District participates on numerous national panels, webinars, presentations and hosts several visiting college teams who wish to know more about the Achieving the Dream initiatives.

As a joint effort by El Paso Community College, the University of Texas at El Paso and the area high schools' superintendents, the El Paso area College Readiness Consortium was created to address the State's initiative to "Close the Gaps." The goals of this consortium are for the area schools to ensure that high school students can enter college-level courses after senior year and for EPCC and UTEP to progress freshman students successfully through core courses in their first semester of college. To ensure college readiness, juniors and seniors are tested on the ACCUPLACER Placement Test and students not passing one or more areas of ACCUPLACER receive interventions and are re-tested.

El Paso Community College was selected through a highly competitive national initiative to participate in the Pathways Project led by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC). This is a national initiative focused on building capacity for community colleges to design and implement structured academic and career pathways, college-wide, for all students. The AACC Pathways Project is funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation through a \$5.2 million grant and will build on EPCC's nationally recognized work. The goals of Pathways are to help students choose a pathway and stay on track to ensure learning and successful completion resulting in transfer or job. One of the tools used to meet the goals of Pathways is the successful pilot Early Alert Program implemented by Faculty for First Time in College students that allows feedback to students on their academic progress. Pursuant to the Pathways national model, the Texas Success Center under the auspices of the Texas Community College Education Initiative launched the Texas Pathway Project, a statewide strategy focused on building capacity for community colleges to design and implement structured academic and career pathways at scale for all students. The College is one of forty Texas colleges participating in the project by attending a series of six institutes based on the AACC Pathways Institutes designed to engage five to sevenperson teams of varying composition addressing institutional change, pathway design and implementation. It is expected that each of these institutes will result into action plans developed by the participating college teams. The ultimate goal of this project is to ensure that students are learning and progressing along the pathway.

In February 2016, EPCC launched the Franklin Covey's 4-DX initiative by implementing the Four Disciplines of Execution. Under the leadership of the President and the senior administration, the College's "Wildly Important Goals" or "WIGs" were identified along with thirty-five (35) teams and thirty-one (31) coaches responsible and accountable for reaching the WIGs of increased completion and enrollment by the target dates. This initiative has proven very effective in keeping all involved very engaged with the process and reaching the College's WIGs. It also resulted into a higher enrollment in fall 2016 along with a higher number of awarded degrees.

In August of 2005, El Paso Community College and Socorro Independent School District jointly created the Mission Early College High School. This initiative is aimed at encouraging high school students to do serious college work while still getting their high school diploma. It enables highly motivated students to earn a high school diploma and an Associate's Degree in Teacher Education, Criminal Justice or General Studies upon graduation. The goals of the school are to reduce dropout rates, attract and better prepare more students for higher education, and assure

students of the support necessary to be successful in college. This program started in July 2006 with the first 125 students. In its twelfth year of operation, the Mission Early College High School has 398 students, has received Exemplary Status from the Texas Education Agency (TEA), and was recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2012. As of December 2017, 888 students have been awarded associate's degrees.

During fiscal year 2006, the Ysleta Independent School District (YISD), the Canutillo Independent School District (CISD), and finally the El Paso Independent School District (EPISD) joined in the same initiative to create Early College High Schools at the Valle Verde, Northwest and Transmountain campuses respectively. The Valle Verde Early College High School started its first class in August 2007 and, in its eleventh year of operation, has 271 students and also received Exemplary Status from TEA. As of December 2017, 490 associate's degrees have been awarded.

The Northwest and Transmountain Early College High Schools opened their doors in August 2008 and January 2009 and, in fall 2017, had 249 and 423 students respectively. Both schools are considered T-STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) academies, which are part of the Texas High School Project. The Texas High School Project is a \$261 million public-private partnership dedicated to improving graduation and college-readiness rates. Partners include the Texas Education Agency, the Governor's Office and the Texas Legislature, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Michael and Susan Dell Foundation, the Communities Foundation of Texas, the Wallace Foundation, and National Instruments. Both schools have received TEA Exemplary Status and 718 of their students have already graduated with an Associate's degree. The EPCC Transmountain Early College High School was recognized as the third best high school in the nation and first in Texas for "Beating the Odds" by Newsweek Magazine.

Funded by the Educate Texas, a public-private initiative of the Communities Foundation of Texas, the Cotton Valley Early College High School located in the rural communities of the far east side of the El Paso County opened its doors in fall 2010 with 68 students from the Fabens, Tornillo and Fort Hancock school districts and, in its seventh year of operation, has 194 students in fall 2017. As of December 2017, 159 students have graduated. Following this initiative, the Clint Independent School District, another rural Eastside school district, started the first class of the Clint Early College Academy in fall 2012, also with the support of Educate Texas in partnership with the Meadows Foundation and the Greater Texas Foundation, and, in its fifth year of operations has 231 students. As of December 2017, 221 students have graduated.

In August 2014, EPCC celebrated the opening of the seventh Early College High School through a partnership with the El Paso Independent School District. Burges Early College High School is the first "school within a school model" located on the high school campus. In its fourth year of operations, it has 259 students. As of December 2017, 16 students have graduated.

The eighth Early College High School grand opening features Socorro Early College (SEC) as of August 2015. SEC is the second Early College High School program that is a "school within a school" and has 215 students in its second year of operations. In August 2016, the ninth early college high school for the District, Montwood Rams Early College, opened its doors to 83 students, and represents the third early college for the Socorro Independent School District. In its second year of operations, it has 177 students.

El Paso Community College partnered again with the Ysleta Independent School District (YISD) and Socorro Independent School District (SISD) to provide additional opportunities to the youth in the region by opening three more Early College High Schools. In fall 2017, Ysleta High School Early College Academy and Parkland Early College Academy (YISD), and Trailblazers Early College opened their doors to 39, 52 and 85 students, respectively.

With a total of 12 Early College High Schools, EPCC gives first-generation college students an opportunity to earn an associate's degree while in high school. With a 74% graduation rate, EPCC early colleges have the highest graduation rate in the state of Texas.

As evidence of its strong support of the Dual Credit program, EPCC is part of a new statewide initiative to better the coursework of the Dual Credit students. The TEXAS OnRamps Dual Credit Innovative Collaborative launched by the University of Texas at Austin also includes Austin Community College, Houston Community College and Texas Tech University to ensure Texas students get the most out of their coursework. Its mission is to bring together educational innovators from across the State to identify best practices of high-quality dual credit instruction that help students reach their goals.

In April 2017, El Paso Community College in collaboration with GECU, celebrated the grand opening of the first EPCC student-run credit union located at the Valle Verde Campus Student Services Center. The main purpose of this full-service branch that also includes a virtual office is to provide the EPCC students with valuable work experience in the financial industry. In addition, it is open to the public and serves the nearby members in the community. As a strong supporter of financial literacy and higher education for the community, GECU is providing an annual scholarship donation of \$10,000 towards EPCC students.

## <u>Technology:</u>

The District utilizes an ERP system, Ellucian Banner that is fully integrated, Oracle-based, Internet-native technology solution. Specifically, Ellucian Banner includes the following modules: Finance; Financial Aid; General; Human Resources; Student; and XtenderSolutions are used by the College to integrate its various processes for managing and delivering services to its many customers. In addition, the College is a member of the Texas Connection Consortium (TCC) whose primary purpose is to use Banner to develop software modules for members to comply with reporting requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The TCC is an association comprised of 40 state universities, colleges, and community college districts that contract with the TCC to meet their state reporting needs by sharing the cost and effort. TCC works together with Ellucian to provide Texas specific solutions for reporting needs of members.

The Division of Information Technology is committed to implementing and supporting technologies important to the mission of El Paso Community College. The latest initiatives include:

• Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) – In July 2016, the Board of Trustees approved the purchase of equipment and services for the upgrade of the VoIP Project that has now been completed district-wide; all campuses have been migrated and upgraded to the latest Call Manager version.

- Wireless System Upgrade/Expansion Plan EPCC has exceeded the current Districtwide wireless capabilities. With the increased use of mobile devices, i.e., smart phones, tablets, laptops, and mobile media carts in the classrooms, it is essential to increase the wireless capabilities for all of the users throughout the District. A wireless network system is in the design process for the entire district. As the first phase of the design process a wireless radio frequency survey was completed at the end of 2017. Data gathered is being analyzed and will be used to engineer the wireless network design. The Division of Information Technology will solicit Board approval for the new Wireless Network Project in the spring of 2018.
- Website Redesign The website redesign is a major project and will require all existing layers of the website to be changed and ensure adherence to the new platform and design. The redesign and implementation of *MyEPCC* phase 1, and the internal portal for students, faculty and staff have been completed. The new public website design is already on the new platform, but the redesign has been delayed due to the continued development and upgrade of the *MyEPCC* portal. The *MyEPCC* portal is consolidating many of the internal services and functions for students and staff, and has become the College's landing page or internal portal.
- Ellucian Banner Single Sign-On Solution This is one segment of a broader plan to use one set of login credentials in order to eliminate the current use of several unique login credentials for separate systems. The Ellucian Banner single sign on solution will allow staff and students to use active directory credentials to login and connect to the Banner information system and Touch-Net payment system to eliminate the activity of having to use a separate set of login credentials and login separately to each system. The IT Division is determining server specifications to accommodate the Single Sign-On Project. The projected timeline for the Ellucian Banner Single Sign-On Project is fall 2018. The IT Division has moved forward with other Single Sign-On Solutions and is in the testing phase for Blackboard LMS, Mass Notification System and OpenAthens for the Library online resources.
- Ad Astra Schedule and Analytics Space Management Software This application will provide college administrators with historical analysis of course demands, including demand trends, time availability, and section to section scheduling conflicts. The software provides program analysis of course demands, including quantitative demand for eligible and helpful courses. It provides course offering analysis metrics highlighting disconnects between offerings and student's course needs. The first initial run for Ad Astra scheduler was summer 2017. The analytics application will be functional in its first stages by fall 2018 and that would be the 5-year historical analysis to affect positive changes in the scheduling of classes.

## Financial Services:

The District continues to strive towards efforts to deliver financial related information in an electronic form leveraging technology to work in the most economical, efficient manner. In addition to direct deposit efforts which are continually promoted, various financial related areas have moved towards imaging records for ease of access and retention. Filing cabinets are becoming a thing of the past and considerable time savings are realized by electronically

accessing and forwarding records as needed. Also, with the added awareness of easy electronic access to various college information, annual financial, budget and investments reports, along with procurement processes are available on the College website for review including the Financial Transparency site dedicated to providing key financial information related to the College.

## Human Resources:

During this reporting year, the state's Teachers Retirement System (TRS) changed their method of reporting eligible members and retirees. Their new reporting system "TEAMS" was a major change to what had been used in the past. As a result, the conversion to this new system created many challenges for the state agencies, including El Paso Community College. The departments of Human Resources, Payroll and Information Technology partnered in meeting these new requirements with the related deadlines, and worked very closely with their TRS coach in understanding, adapting and complying with the new reporting standards. The College expects to meet all reporting timelines by spring 2018.

## SACSCOC ACCREDITATION

El Paso County Community College District's regional accreditation is with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), which sets standards for recruitment and admissions, curriculum and instruction, faculty credentials, student and academic support services, administrative organization, Board of Trustee responsibilities, facilities, and financial responsibility. El Paso Community College (EPCC) was first accredited in 1978 and last reaffirmed in 2014. The next Reaffirmation of Accreditation is 2023.

An accreditation requirement is the submission of a Fifth-Year Interim Report addressing approximately 25 percent of the Principles in the Reaffirmation of Accreditation Compliance Certification report submitted in 2012. The Fifth-Year Report is at a mid-point of the Reaffirmation of Accreditation timeline as the U.S. Department of Education requires accrediting agencies to monitor institutions more often than every 10 years to ensure that institutions having access to federal funds continue to meet accreditation standards. As a component of the Fifth-Year Interim Report, EPCC will also submit a 10-page Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Impact Report. EPCC's QEP, "Learning about the Community as a Community," was a five-year initiative that began in 2013 and was designed to enhance the quality of student learning by focusing on a theme and specific student learning outcomes. EPCC's Fifth-Year Interim Report is due to SACSCOC on September 14, 2018.

In preparation for the submission of the Fifth-Year Interim Report, EPCC has identified the Principles included in the report, has reviewed the Reaffirmation of Accreditation submissions regarding those Principles, and has been updating the report narratives to provide current information and supporting documentation. The updating of the narratives is being completed by departments adhering to the requirements of the Principles and able to provide information and documentation of compliance. The report is reviewed by the EPCC Cabinet and an outside consultant to ensure completeness, integrity, and clarity in reporting. SACSCOC will review the report and announce its findings at the December 2018 Annual SACSCOC Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Along with the submission of the Fifth-Year Interim Report, EPCC will also host an on-site SACSCOC Visiting Committee to tour and evaluate off-campus instructional sites that have been added since June 2013. This visit is in compliance with federal regulations "for ensuring that accredited institutions that experience rapid growth in the number of additional locations maintain educational quality." The instructional sites to be visited are area high schools where EPCC courses are offered for dual credit. The visit will be September 4-6, 2018.

## **INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS**

Beginning as an effort to ensure an avenue was available for the discussion and resolution of problems and concerns, the Institutional Effectiveness (IE) process has become an important vehicle for assessing the performance of instructional and support service operations at the College. Through the guidance of the District-wide Institutional Effectiveness Committee and the six executive area IE teams, the comprehensive system ensures the effectiveness, including cost, of these operations. While Institutional Effectiveness is mandated for accreditation purposes, it has also become a tool for change management. By incorporating IE into a participatory management process, the District has been noted for having one of the best Institutional Effectiveness models in the state. Every year, the College planning process is linked to the Budget Development process with the use of the effectiveness planning guide. During this process, institutional budgets are linked with the District's strategic goals by the use of Area Effectiveness Plans, which consist of written objectives for improvement and focus on the District mission.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control system designed to ensure that the assets of the District are protected from loss, theft, or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The internal control system is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. Refer to the Management's Discussion and Analysis for more information on the District's financial activity and position.

## SINGLE AUDIT

As a recipient of federal, state, and local financial assistance, the District also is responsible for providing adequate internal control to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. Internal controls are subject to periodic evaluation by management, the independent auditors of the District, and during agencies' monitoring visits.

As a part of the District's single audit described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of the internal control including that portion related to federal financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the District has complied with applicable laws and regulations. The District's single audit for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017 provided no instances of

significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in the internal control, and the auditor's report was issued with an unmodified opinion on both financial statements and compliance with major programs.

#### **BUDGETING CONTROLS**

In addition, the District maintains budgetary controls through its automated system and procedures. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the District's Board of Trustees. Activities of the Unrestricted and Restricted Funds, Auxiliary Enterprises and Plant Funds are included in the annual appropriated budget. The District also maintains an encumbrance accounting system as one technique of accomplishing budgetary control and presents Budget to Actual financial information to the Board of Trustees on a monthly basis. Encumbered amounts lapse at year-end; however, encumbrances are re-appropriated as part of the next year's budget.

## **DISTRICT FUNCTIONS**

The financial results of the District's operations are reported in the Management's Discussion and Analysis report included in the Financial Section of this report. In compliance with GASB No. 35 standards, the Management's Discussion and Analysis is a component of the District's financial statements and provides an overview of the College's financial operations for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017.

## **DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

As of August 31, 2017, the District did not have any outstanding General Obligation Bonds. In order to finance building construction and renovation, the District has issued since December 1994, a total of \$273,355,000 in Combined Building Fee Revenue Bonds. As required by the various bond issue covenants, the retirement of these bonds is financed by general use fees and tuition charged to the students on a semester basis. As of August 31, 2017, the District's outstanding bond debt amounts to \$135,455,000 excluding any unamortized discount or premium. Considering the growth of the District and the need for additional facilities as identified during the District's master planning process, issuing additional bonds within the next five years was approved by the Board of Trustees as the mechanism to fund the needed projects. With this expectation, the Board of Trustees approved an incremental increase in the General Use Fee effective spring 2015 from \$10 per credit hour to \$13 per credit hour, to be increased by \$2 in fall 2015 and \$5 in fall 2016. In response to the low interest environment for municipal debt, the District's financial advisor presented multiple financing strategies to the Board of Trustees who authorized the administration to move forward with the issuance of revenue bonds during fall 2016 in combination with the refunding of the 2007 and 2001 outstanding revenue bonds. The additional revenue stream generated by the increase in the General Use Fee combined with the January 2017 issuance of \$30,315,000 Combined Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds created additional debt capacity to fund the October 2016 Combined Fee Revenue Improvement Bonds in the amount of \$105,140,000 that will fund the Master Plan projects approved by the Board of Trustees.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDIT**

State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants. The public accounting firm of Peña Briones McDaniel & Co. was selected by the District's Board of Trustees. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in state statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the provisions of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). The auditor's reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the Single Audit Section.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

During fiscal year 2016/2017, the College was recognized for the following accomplishments:

- The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education magazine ranked the District again as number one among the Top 25 Community Colleges for Hispanics and for the highest number of Associates' degrees awarded to Hispanic students. This is the tenth year in a row that the College has been recognized with these honors. The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education's February 2017 issue features EPCC on the cover along with a feature story that can be viewed in the digital edition at: <a href="https://issuu.com/">https://issuu.com/</a>
- EPCC STEM students earned national honor when they were named 2017 Siemens Technical Scholars by the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program and the Siemens Foundation. The five students were among fifty-one exceptional community college students selected from some of the nation's strongest community college programs in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), which provide outstanding preparation for high-demand jobs in advanced manufacturing, energy, healthcare and information technology. These students received scholarships of between \$3,500 and \$10,000 to continue their education.
- El Paso Community College was one of the top 10 finalists for the 2017 Bellwether Award for the Community Colleges Futures Assembly in the Planning, Governance, and Finance category. The Bellwether awards are given to colleges with outstanding and innovative programs or practices focusing on cutting-edge, trendsetting initiatives that other colleges might find worthy of replicating. EPCC was recognized for its Teachership Academy program: Creating Our Own Master Teachers through a Two Phase Cohort Experience Focusing on Teaching and Learning.
- El Paso Community College received the Diamond Amigo Award, one of the Center for Accommodations and Support Services awards, for its exceptional role in the community providing support to students with disabilities. The College is a very strong advocate of removing barriers for persons with disabilities so they can reach their educational goals.
- The National Junior College Athletic Association named the Men's Half Marathon team as the Academic Team of the Year in the nation with a combined 3.15 grade point average (GPA). All six EPCC athletic teams had combined GPAs of over 3.0 for the second year in a row.

- The Intercollegiate Athletic Women Cross Country Team became co-national champions at the 14<sup>th</sup> NJCAA national championship for Half-Marathon. The Tejanas tied with Iowa Central Community College as co-champions with a score of 16 points.
- The Women's and Men's Cross Country teams were named as Cross Country Scholar All-American Teams by the Junior College Cross Country Coaches Association.
- The Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Dual Credit program consisting of all female students, placed first, second and fifth in different categories at the Health Occupation Student of America (HOSA) International Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida. The EMT Dual Credit students are part of the El Paso Independent School District Center for Career and Technical Education program.
- The National Science Foundation (NSF) announced El Paso Community College's Renewable Energy Program was one of the ten finalists in the Community College Innovation Challenge. The "Paso Del Norte Solar Innovators" project team created a material for all standard solar panels that will reduce the point in time that energy production is negatively affected by high temperatures. This innovation will make a difference in the community by increasing the potential power output of the solar panels by reducing the effects of heat.
- Victory Media, the premier media entity for military personnel transitioning into civilian life, again named El Paso Community College to the coveted 2017 Military Friendly Schools® list which honors the top colleges, universities, community colleges and trade schools that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members, veterans, and spouses as students and ensure their success on campus.
- The Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award was granted to the College for the fifth year in a row by *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education. The annual HEED award is the only national honor recognizing U.S. colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.
- The El Paso Community College Performance Studies and Debate Team won the 2017 PI KAPPA DELTA National Tournament. The Team took the Excellent Community College Team Sweepstakes, the Excellent Individual Events Team Sweepstakes, and the Excellent Combined Overall Team Sweepstakes Awards.
- The El Paso Community College Performance Studies and Debate Team made history by becoming the only school ever to win all three American Forensic Association National Tournament Gold Overall Team Sweepstakes Awards in one season. EPCC won its third Gold Sweepstakes award competing at the 2017 Phi Rho Pi National Tournament. Other awards won by the team at this event were Gold Individual Events Team Sweepstakes and Bronze Debate Team Sweepstakes.

• The Forensics and Performance Studies Team won the Community College Team Sweepstakes Award at the 2017 American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament. The El Paso team competed against the top 79 universities and colleges in the nation at this prestigious competition.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to El Paso County Community College District for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2016. This was the twenty-first consecutive year that the government has achieved this prestigious award.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was made possible by the hard work and diligence of the Budget and Financial Services staff, to include the Rio Grande Campus Instructional Service Center for the timely printing of this document. Additional departments that contributed valuable information to this report include Marketing and External Relations, and the offices of the Vice President of Information Technology, the Vice President of Instruction and Workforce Education, and the Vice President for Research and Accountability. We would also like to thank the accounting firm of Peña Briones McDaniel & Co. for their assistance in the completion of the audit. Each individual who contributed to this report has our genuine appreciation.

Sincerely, DADN

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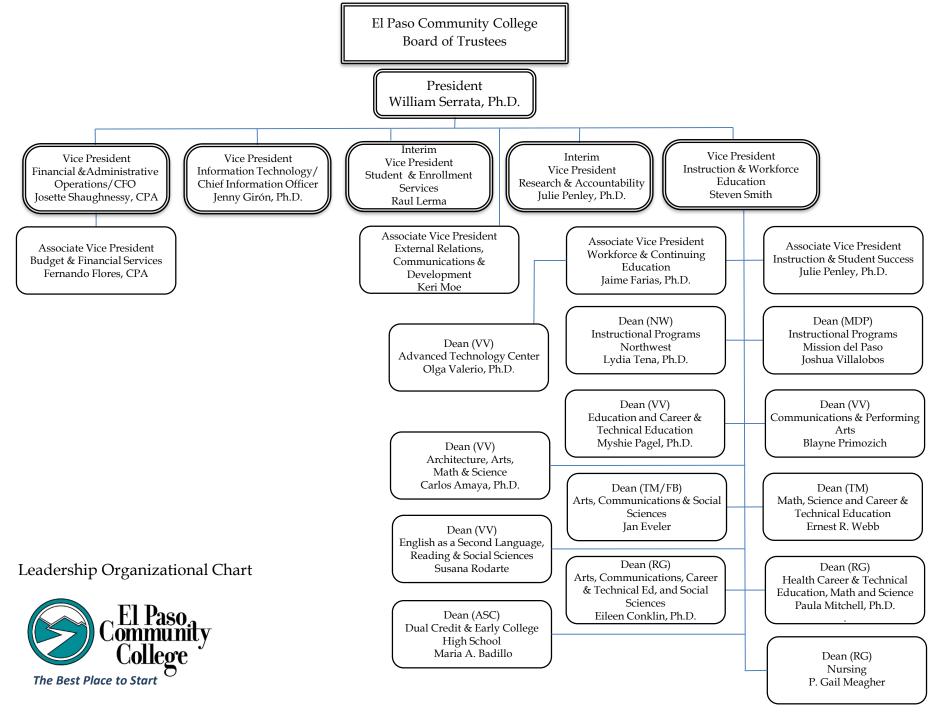
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August 31, 2016

Christophen P. Morrill

Executive Director/CEO

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# **FINANCIAL SECTION**



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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

The Board of Trustees El Paso County Community College District El Paso, Texas

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of El Paso County Community College District (the "College") as of and for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of El Paso County Community College District, as of August 31, 2017 and 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis information on pages I – XII and the Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of College's Contributions on pages 35-37 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the El Paso County Community College District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and* the State of Texas Single Audit Circular, and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Additionally, the accompanying Schedule of Operating Revenues, Schedule of Operating Expenses by Object, Schedule of Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses, and Schedule of Net Position by Source and Availability and statistical section, also are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards, Schedule of Operating Revenues, Schedule of Operating Expenses by Object, Schedule of Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses, and Schedule of Net Position by Source and Availability are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of

Federal Awards, Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards, Schedule of Operating Revenues, Schedule of Operating Expenses by Object, Schedule of Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses, and Schedule of Net Position by Source and Availability are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The statistical section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 20, 2017, on our consideration of the El Paso County Community College District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the El Paso County Community College District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Pena Brines Mc Daniel + Co

El Paso, Texas December 20, 2017

The following discussion and analysis of El Paso County Community College District's (College's) annual financial statements, prepared by the financial managers of the College, provides an overview of the College's financial operations for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016. This section is designed to assist the reader in the interpretation of the financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the disclosure notes that accompany the basic financial statements. Responsibility for the completeness and fairness of the information rests with the management of the College.

## **OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the GASB Statement No. 34, "*Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments* and Statement No. 35, "*Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for Public Colleges and Universities.*" The College is reported as a special-purpose government engaged in business-type activities and uses the accrual method of accounting, which means that revenue is recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred regardless of when cash is received or paid. The core financial statements required by GASB 34 as amended by GASB 63 are the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and the Statement of Cash Flows. Effective fiscal year ending August 31, 2014, GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, was implemented to reflect certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities to be now reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources. In addition, this statement requires that debt issuance costs be expensed in the year they are incurred.

#### **Statement of Net Position**

The purpose of the Statement of Net Position is to report at a point in time the total net assets available to finance future services, and to give the reader a snapshot of the financial condition of El Paso County Community College District (EPCCCD). According to GASB 34, the classification of the components of the Statement of Net Position is as follows:

Current Acceta	accests available to actisfy summent liabilities
Current Assets:	assets available to satisfy current liabilities.
Long-term Assets:	include capital assets and other assets not classified as current.
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	include consumption of resources applicable to a future period.
Current Liabilities:	include obligations due within one year.
Long-term Liabilities:	include bonds payable and other long-term commitments.
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	include acquisitions of resources applicable to a future period.
Net Position:	difference between assets and deferred outflows versus liabilities and
	deferred inflows is presented in three categories as follows:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets represents the College's net investment in property, plant and equipment net of accumulated depreciation and amortization on the assets and the related outstanding debt used to construct, purchase or renovate them.
- Restricted Net Position is classified as expendable (available for expenditure in accordance with the restrictions of donors and other external entities) and nonexpendable (permanent endowment corpus only available for investment purposes).
- Unrestricted Net Position is available for any lawful purpose of the College's and maintained to ensure sufficient reserve funds for long-term viability of the District.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The intent of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position is to report the burden of the government's functions on non-operating (general) revenues, defined as the amount of the functions that are not supported by charges to users (GASB 34, Par. 38). The statement is divided into Operating Revenues and Expenses, and Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses. Operating revenues are generated from the services provided to students and other customers of the District and represent an exchange for services. Operating expenses are incurred in the production of goods and services that result in operating revenues. Property taxes, state appropriations and Title IV funds represent non-exchange transactions and thus classified under Non-Operating Revenues, which means that Texas community colleges will generally report an operating deficit before taking into account other support. Therefore, revenue and expenses should be considered in total when assessing the change in the College's financial position.

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

The primary purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows is to provide relevant information about the cash receipts and cash payments of the College during the fiscal period. This statement is intended to complement the accrual-basis financial statements by providing functional information about financing, capital and investing activities and reports the effects of the College's operations, capital and non-capital financing transactions, and investing transactions on the College's financial position. This statement also helps users to determine the entity's ability to meet its obligations as they come due and the potential need for external financing. The final portion of the statement reconciles the net income or loss from operations to be provided or used by operations. The statement is structured as follows:

Cash flows from operating activities Cash flows from noncapital financing activities Cash flows from capital financing activities Cash flows from investing activities

#### **CONDENSED COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

To show the trends for the two years shown in the Statement of Net Position (Exhibit 1), a summary of three years of data for the years ended August 31, 2015 through 2017 is presented below:

#### **Condensed Statement of Net Position**

(In Millions)

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	2017 2016 2015			2	2016 to 2017	2015 to 2016				
Assets										
Cash and Investments	\$	225.7	\$	110.2	\$	100.7	\$	115.5	\$	9.5
Other Assets		45.0		42.8		40.2		2.2		2.6
Capital Assets	_	131.3	_	124.3	_	122.6	_	7.0	_	1.7
Total Assets	\$	402.0	\$	277.3	\$_	263.5	\$_	124.7	\$	13.8
Deferred Outflows	_	2.7		3.6	_	3.6	_	(.9)		
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows	\$_	404.7	\$_	280.9	\$_	267.1	\$_	123.8	\$	13.8
Liabilities										
Current Liabilities	\$	67.7	\$	65.3	\$	58.9	\$	2.4	\$	6.4
Noncurrent Liabilities		174.5		68.9		69.6		105.6		(.7)
Total Liabilities	\$	242.2	\$	134.2	\$	128.5	\$	108.0	\$	5.7
Deferred Inflows	_	.6		2.4	_	6.1		(1.8)		(3.7)
Total Liabilities & Deferred Inflows	\$	242.8	\$	136.6	\$_	134.6	\$_	106.2	\$	2.0
Net Position										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$	92.8	\$	90.3	\$	84.5	\$	2.5	\$	5.8
Restricted		41.3		28.2		29.2		13.1		(1.0)
Unrestricted		27.8		25.8		18.8		2.0		7.0
Total Net Position	\$	161.9	\$	144.3	\$	132.5	\$	17.6	_	11.8

Total Assets increased by \$124.7 million from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2017 as compared to \$13.8 million in the previous fiscal year. The following analysis describes this increase by asset category.

As a major component of the Statement of Net Position, Cash and Investments increased from fiscal year 2016 by \$115.5 million. This amount mostly represents the net of the following activities:

Net Cash used in operating activities increased by \$733,000 from fiscal year 2016 due to a combination of factors: Receipts from students and other customers increased by \$1.2 million over 2016, due to the tuition increase reflected in the amounts collected in 2017, offset by the enrollment decline during the academic year. Receipts from grants and contracts decreased by \$1.6 million while Receipts from collection of loans to students went up dramatically by \$6.5 million to reflect the payment of loans granted to more students during the academic year. Other receipts increased by \$2.7 million to account for (1) the first time billing to the high schools of the instructional cost of dual credit courses taught by EPCC faculty, in compliance with the respective agreements with the high schools, and (2) the property insurance proceeds for roof replacement. Payments to or on behalf of employees increased by \$3.2 million due to the 2% salary increase for all employees and associated benefits to include retirement and health insurance paid to the State of Texas. Payment to suppliers for goods and services also increased due to the purchase of instructional equipment and an overall increase in operating expenses such as higher utility and building maintenance costs. Payment of scholarships decreased by \$3.3 million to reflect the decline in enrollment of those students eligible for financial aid. Finally, Payments of loans issued to students increased by \$6.2 million due to more students granted emergency loans.

Net Cash provided by noncapital financing activities increased by \$2.5 million mostly due to the increase in ad valorem taxes. This increase is based on (1) additional new property and (2) an effective tax rate higher than the previous year due to material refunds granted to commercial property owners because of lower assessed valuation.

Net Cash provided by capital and related financing activities increased by \$102.9 million, and is mostly related to the issuance of revenue bonds by the College in November 2016, which yielded, net of bond issuance costs, bond proceeds in the amount of \$118.1 million. This significant increase is offset by (1) an increase of \$5.4 million in the purchase of capital assets related to the completed Architecture building and the Master Plan projects already started during the fiscal year; and (2) an increase of \$10.2 million in the payments on capital debt and leases-principal to reflect the cash contribution made to refund the outstanding callable maturities of the 2001 and 2007 bonds.

Finally, Net Cash provided by investing activities increased by \$1.4 million due to (1) the placement of bank deposits in an investment pool with higher yields, and (2) the investment of bond proceeds in a 3-year flexible repurchase agreement.

Other Assets increased by \$2.2 million due to the combination of the following factors: increases in Accounts Receivables and Notes Receivable of \$2.1 million and \$849,000 respectively due the tuition increase implemented in fall 2016, offset by the decrease of \$919,000 in prepaid charges due to less disbursed Pell awards attributable to the decrease in fall enrollment.

Capital Assets increased by \$7 million due to the capitalization of ongoing capital projects and the purchase of equipment and library books offset by (1) the disposition of capital assets through the annual public sale and (2) depreciation expense.

When comparing fiscal years 2016 and 2015, total assets increased by \$13.8 million due to a combination of (1) an increase in Cash of \$9.5 million, (2) an increase in Other Assets of \$2.6 million and (3) an increase of \$1.7 million in Capital Assets.

As required with the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* (GASB 68), deferred outflows of resources totaling \$2.7 million and \$3.6 million recorded for the Fiscal Years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 respectively, represent retirement contributions made by the College that will benefit employees in the future but are not considered assets.

Total liabilities increased from the prior year by \$108 million, the combination of \$2.4 million and \$105.6 million increases in Current Liabilities and Noncurrent Liabilities, respectively. The increase in Current Liabilities is mostly related to (1) the increase in Accounts Payable due to current construction, and (2) the increase in Accrued Liabilities that includes accrued bond interest related to the issuance of the 2016 Revenue Bonds. The Noncurrent Liabilities experienced a net increase of \$105.6 million due to the following: Bonds Payable increased by \$104.3 million due to two issuances of revenue bonds: (1) the 2016 Revenue bonds of \$105 million with a premium of \$14 million and (2) the issuance of the 2017 Refunding Bonds of \$30.3 million which refunded the 2007 and 2001 revenue bonds with a combined par amount of \$39.5 million. These increases were offset by the principal payment of the last outstanding maturity of the 2007 Revenue Bond. Net Pension Liability increased by \$1.9 million to reflect the District's proportionate share of the statewide pension liability in compliance with GASB Statement 68. Further information regarding noncurrent liabilities is shown in Notes 2, 6, 7, 8 and 9 to the Financial Statements. See Note 11 regarding pension liability.

As required with the implementation of GASB 68, deferred inflows of resources of \$.6 million are recorded for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017 as compared to \$2.4 million in fiscal year 2016. This reflects the variance that can occur as a result of the investment market. In this context, deferred inflows represent the District's proportionate share for the net difference between projected and actual investment earnings at the plan level the District may owe to the retirement fund in the future, but is not considered a liability.

When comparing total liabilities between fiscal years 2016 and 2015, the increase of \$5.7 million is attributable to a combination of \$6.4 million increase and \$.7 million decrease in Current and Noncurrent Liabilities respectively. The increase in Current Liabilities is related to the increase in Accounts Payable due to current construction and the increase in Unearned Revenue related to fall 2016 tuition collected in August 2016. These increases were offset by a decrease in Fund Held for Others due to the decrease in direct loans to students because of enrollment decline during the 2016 fiscal year. The \$.7 million net decrease in Noncurrent Liabilities is mostly related to the increase in the Net Pension Liability of \$3.7 million offset by a combined decrease of \$4.5 million in Bonds Payable and Notes Payable for annual debt service payment.

Notwithstanding the ongoing impact of GASB 68, the College experienced an overall increase in Net Position of \$17.5 million, which represents a healthy increase for the College in light of the fiscal challenges caused by the enrollment decline during the fiscal year. This increase is a combination of the increases in the various components of net position: the increase in Net Investment in Capital Assets of \$2.5 million is mostly attributable to the renovation of current facilities and the completion of the Architecture Building; Restricted Net Position increased by \$13.1 million mostly due to budget surpluses from the Unrestricted Funds now earmarked for construction and renovation of facilities; the increase in the Unrestricted Net Position of \$2.0 million is attributable to prudent budgeting and cost containment measures while experiencing the student enrollment decline, which generated staff and faculty salary savings. The previous year increase in Net Position of \$11.8 million was mostly due to the increase in Net Investment in Capital Assets of \$5.8 million and the increase in the Unrestricted Net Position of \$7.1 million attributable to unused reserves, prudent budgeting and cost containment measures while experiencing the student continues to practice prudent budgeting to ensure continued growth in the Net Position.

Increase in Net Position is affected by the revenues generated and the expenses incurred by the College. The following condensed financial information shows total revenues and expenses for fiscal years 2017, 2016 and 2015:

# Condensed Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (In Millions)

	August 31 Change									
								2016 to	2015 to	
Operating Revenues		2017		2016	_	2015	-	2017	2016	
Tuition and Fees (net of Discounts)	\$	25.7	\$	22.6	\$	19.8	\$	3.1	\$	2.8
Federal, State & Local Grants & Contracts	ψ	23.7 9.7	ψ	22.0 9.8	φ	9.8	φ	(.1)	ψ	2.0
Auxiliary Enterprises		1.9		1.9		9.0 1.7		0.0		0.0
Other		4.2		1.7		2.1		2.5		(0.2)
Total Operating Revenues	\$	41.5	\$	36.0	\$	33.4	\$	5.5	\$	2.6
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Operating Expenses										
Instruction	\$	61.8	\$	59.7	\$	57.7	\$	2.1	\$	2.0
Research		0.1		0.1		0.1		0.0		0.0
Public Service		5.8		5.7		6.1		0.1		(0.4)
Academic Support		21.6		20.3		19.7		1.3		0.6
Student Services		11.7		11.4		10.1		0.3		1.3
Institutional Support		24.6		23.2		21.4		1.4		1.8
Operation and Maintenance of Plant		11.1		10.4		10.6		.7		(0.2)
Scholarships and Fellowships		26.1		29.4		35.3		(3.3)		(5.9)
Auxiliary Enterprises		3.5		3.4		3.3		0.1		0.1
Depreciation		4.9		4.7		4.5		0.2		0.2
Total Operating Expenses	\$	171.2	\$	168.3	\$	168.8	\$	2.9	\$	(0.5)
Operating Loss	\$	(129.7)	\$	(132.3)	\$	(135.4)	\$	(2.6)	\$	(3.1)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)										
State Appropriations	\$	40.7	\$	40.2	\$	41.6	\$	0.5	\$	(1.4)
Maintenance Ad-Valorem Taxes	7	54.5	7	52.9	-	49.3	7	1.6	-	3.6
Federal Revenue		52.0		52.3		57.5		(0.3)		(5.2)
Other State Revenue		1.0		0.5		0.5		0.5		(0)
Investment Income (Net of Investment Expense)		1.0		0.3		0.2		1.4		0.1
Interest on Capital Related Debt		(2.7)		(2.1)		(2.3)		(0.6)		0.2
Net Non-Operating Revenues	\$	147.2	\$	144.1	\$	146.8	\$	3.1	\$	(2.7)
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Increase in Net Position	\$	17.5	\$	11.8	\$	11.4	\$	5.7		0.4
Net Position, Beginning of Year (as previously reported)		144.3		132.5		143.5		11.8		(11.0)
Cumulative Effect of Implementing GASB 68		-		-		(22.4)		-		22.4
Net Position, Beginning of Year (as restated)	_	144.3	_	132.5	_	121.1	-	11.8	_	11.4
Net Position, End of Year	\$	161.8	\$	144.3	\$	132.5	\$	17.5	\$	11.8

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Total operating revenues increased by \$5.5 million as compared to the \$2.6 million in the previous fiscal year mostly due to Tuition and Fees (net of discounts) that increased by \$3.1 million and \$2.8 million in Fiscal Years 2017 and 2016 respectively. Additional revenue was generated in 2017 because of the tuition rate approved by the Board of Trustees effective fall 2016 for a two-year period. Also factored in this increase was a modest enrollment decline also reflected in the previous year's increase in tuition revenue, which can be attributed to a stronger economy with continued record lows of local unemployment rates. Revenue from Federal, State, and Local grants and contracts remained stable by sustaining a modest decrease of \$.1 million due to the decrease in Pell grants of \$.3 million attributable to the enrollment decline offset by the an increase in Texas Workforce Commission grants as well as a new grant from the Homeland Security. Auxiliary Revenue remained stable. Other operating revenues had an increase of \$2.5 million due to the receipt of insurance proceeds for roof replacement and the billing of instructional costs related to the delivery of Dual Credit courses to the participating high schools in accordance with the individual agreements.

Total operating expenses increased by \$2.9 million as compared to the decrease of \$.5 million in 2016 due to a combination of factors: the decrease of \$3.3 million in Scholarships and Fellowships due to enrollment decline was offset by increases in most elements of costs attributable to (1) the 2% salary increase given to all employees and (2) purchases of equipment and supplies for operations. Embedded in those increases are the salary savings generated by vacant positions in the respective elements of costs offset by increases in equipment purchases for Instruction, Academic Support and Institutional Support as well as an overall increase in benefit costs because of the Senate Bill 1812 rider. Auxiliary Enterprises increased by a modest \$.1 million over the 2016 fiscal year, which reflects a normal spending pattern for Auxiliary Services.

Depreciation expense at \$4.9 million increased by \$200,000 over both FY 2017 and 2016 due to additional capital outlay in both fiscal years. Information regarding policies for depreciation is disclosed in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

When comparing fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2015, total operating expenses decreased by \$.5 million due to a combination of factors: the decrease of \$5.9 million in Scholarships and Fellowships due to enrollment decline was offset by increases in most elements of costs attributable to the implementation of the compensation study for all eligible employees. The recommendations for salary adjustments included a 2% cost of living increase for all full-time employees as well as salary adjustments for individual employees based on market and longevity in the position and at the College. Embedded in those increases are the salary savings generated by vacant positions in the respective elements of cost offset by increases in equipment purchases for Instruction and Institutional Support as well as an overall increase in benefits. It is important to note that the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislature held in spring 2015 implemented a rider attached to Senate Bill 1812 that had codified the funding for health insurance and retirement benefits at a 50% cost share between the State of Texas and the community colleges. This rider reduced funding effective the 2016-17 Biennium for all community colleges who experienced an enrollment decline during the base year. This resulted in the College being funded for benefits at 45% instead of 50%.

Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses are comprised of State Appropriations, Maintenance Ad-Valorem Taxes, and Federal Revenues that now include Pell Grant receipts as non-operating revenue. Non-Operating Revenues also include Other State Revenue to account for state student aid.

Non-Operating Revenues increased by \$3.1 million over fiscal year 2016 as compared to the decrease of \$2.7 million from fiscal year 2015 to 2016.

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Fiscal year ending August 31, 2017 represented the second year of the 16-17 biennium during which the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislature passed HB1, the General Appropriations Acts, which allocated funding to community colleges based on the following model approved for community colleges during the 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislature: (1) core operations, (2) student success points and (3) traditional contact hour formula. However, due to statewide enrollment declines related to a stronger economy, the final funding outcome resulted in a formula funding decrease for many colleges at a cost of \$1.6 million for the District, offset by an increase in health insurance funding due to premium increases. In addition, the Legislature applied a stipulation of Senate Bill 1812 that codified a cost share agreement of 50% for both health insurance and retirement benefits unless there is a decline in student enrollment. The HB 1 Conference Committee adopted a stepped hold harmless for employee benefits based on the decline in enrollment at each college district, which resulted in EPCC receiving funding for benefits at 45% instead of 50%. Revenue from State Appropriations increase for 2016 by \$.5 million mostly attributable to the increase in health benefits to compensate for the increase in health insurance premiums, which is very common during the second year of a biennium.

Revenue from Ad-Valorem taxes increased by \$1.6 million due to (1) additional revenue from new property added to the 2016 tax rolls and (2) an Effective Tax Rate higher than the 2015 tax rate generated by a decreased taxable assessed valuation due to large refunds. In fiscal year 2016, tax revenue increased by \$3.6 million due to (1) the 4% tax rate increase approved by the Board of Trustees, and (2) additional revenue from new property added to the 2015 tax rolls. Tax revenue for fiscal years 2017 is based on the tax rate of \$.134909 per \$100 valuation respectively, which still represents the lowest tax rate of all major taxing entities in the El Paso County.

Included in the \$3.1 million increase in Non-Operating Revenue is the modest decrease in Federal Revenue of \$.3 million, as compared to the decrease of \$5.2 million in 2016, mostly due to the decrease in Pell Grant awards as a result of continuing decline in student enrollment during fiscal year 2017. This enrollment decrease is attributable to the continued improvement in the El Paso economy also experienced throughout the State of Texas. The strategic enrollment task force created to address this unusual enrollment decline has developed strategies to identify and reach all populations of the serving area. In addition, student success initiatives continue to focus on identifying at-risk students to promote retention and a college-going culture. These efforts have contributed to reversing the enrollment decline trend starting with fall 2015 and continuing during fall 2017.

During fiscal year 2016, the College changed depository bank and diversified investment pools by adding TexasDaily as a second investment pool option. In November 2016, the College issued revenue bonds and invested \$115.3 million into a 3-year flexible repurchase agreement for a guaranteed interest rate of 1.11% for the life of the agreement. During the year, the Federal Reserve continued to raise short-term interest rates resulting in rising rates for the investment pools. Therefore, the College did not use the bank's Earnings Credit Rate to earn interest that offset bank service charges to the extent it had in prior years. The resulting annual average yield on investments of .7795% more than doubled the prior year's average. This also resulted in exceeding the Benchmark (annual average 13-week T-Bill rate of .6648%) in compliance with the District's Investments Policy. These rising interest rates have largely contributed to interest income for the year exceeding the budget by over 231%.

## Description of significant capital asset and long-term debt activity

As the College continues to grow, the administration completed the District-Wide Master Plan to address capital improvement needs and student growth at its five main campuses for the next ten years, and to plan for a potential new campus on Fort Bliss military base property. As part of implementing Phase 1 of the Master Plan approved by the Board of Trustees, the District contracted with ECM International to manage seven construction projects at the five campuses. During the 2017 fiscal year, the Board approved the architectural firms to design the new classroom and lab buildings, adding over 400,000 square feet of classrooms, lab and parking space to existing district property at a budgeted cost of over \$115 million. The current construction schedule indicates that the construction for the first project will start in January 2018 with all projects to be completed by the end of the 2019 calendar year.

The major projects completed during the fiscal year include the state of the Art Architecture building that accommodates the 2+2 architectural joint program with Texas Tech University relocated from Building A of the Administrative Service Center. Projects currently in progress include the replacement of the 37-year old roof at the Transmountain Campus. All facilities construction, renovation and improvements are financed by a combination of funds coming from revenue bond proceeds and plant fund reserves.

To accommodate increased enrollment since 1994, the District initiated a financial plan and has since then issued \$273,355,000 in Revenue Bonds, part of which refinanced the 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1997B, 1998, 1999, 2001, and 2007 bond issues. The defeasance of the Building Use Fee and Tuition Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 1993 outstanding balance of \$1,750,000 in October 2003 resulted in saving the College approximately \$220,000 in interest payments.

In January 2007, the District issued the Fee Revenue Building and Refunding Bonds in the amount of \$66,280,000 that accomplished (1) the refunding of \$37 million of current debt with expected present value savings of \$1.9 million and (2) generating additional funds of \$31.6 million for renovation and new construction. The refunding of some of the current debt created additional debt capacity for the District to issue additional revenue bonds at no additional cost to the student or the taxpayer.

All bond debt is currently covered by the general use fee of \$20 per credit hour, just increased from \$16 per credit hour, and the tuition transfer of \$15 per student in the fall and spring semesters and \$7.50 per student for the summer sessions. The Board of Trustees approved an incremental increase to the general use fee from the \$10 per credit hour that had been in effect since 2000 as part of the 1994 financing plan, to \$13 effective Spring 2015, then to \$15 effective Fall 2015 and finally to \$16 effective Fall 2016. During the evaluation of the District Master Plan, the Board approved an additional increase of \$4 to the adopted General Use Fee of \$16, thereby creating additional revenue stream to fund the issuance of additional revenue bonds that will finance the approved phases of the District-wide Master Plan as mentioned above.

In fall 2016, the District took advantage of attractive interest rates that would provide additional debt capacity to fund Phase 1 of the Master Plan. Therefore, the District issued on October 2016 the Combined Fee Revenue Improvement Bonds Series 2016 in the amount of \$105,140,000, followed by the January 2017 issuance of the Combined Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds in the amount of \$30,315,000 with an interest rate of 2.09%. By refunding the callable maturities of the 2001 and 2007 Bonds that carried an average interest rate of 5%, the College obtained an economic gain of about \$4.6 million over the next nine years.

On August 13, 2003, Fitch Ratings issued a press release announcing the upgrade of El Paso Community College credit rating from "A-" to "A." The rating revision upwards reflected the College's positive financial performance, growing enrollment, and favorable area demographics and market position. Also considered in the rating were the operational and financial pressures stemming from increasing enrollment and reductions in state funding and above average, although manageable, debt load.

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On June 17, 2013, this "A" rating was reaffirmed as an "A+" rating with a stable outlook supported by sound financial management practices and operating results, and an increasingly diverse revenue base. On June 15, 2015, Fitch Ratings affirmed the "A+" rating with a positive outlook citing strong financial performance, sound market position and manageable debt burden as key drivers for the rating's positive outlook. Fitch subscribers can see the complete report at <u>www.fitchresearch.com</u>.

On October 18, 2016, Fitch Ratings assigned an "A+" rating to the planned \$120 million Combined Fee Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2016. In addition, it affirmed the "A+" rating on \$43.3 million of outstanding EPCC Combined Fee Revenue Building and Refunding Bonds, Series 2007. The rating outlook was revised to Stable from Positive in light of the additional debt. However, the "A+" rating was based on consistently positive operating results, healthy reserves, demonstrated ability to monitor expenses during challenging enrollment pressures, and the College's capacity to raise tax revenue. Additional information is available at <u>www.fitchratings.com</u>.

On December 21, 2006, Moody's Investors Service issued a press release announcing the upgrade of the College's rating from "A2" to "A1" with a stable outlook. The upgrade was based on the College's rapidly growing tax base caused by healthy growth in the local economy, increasing enrollment, strong operating performance and a manageable debt profile. On August 6, 2009, Moody's reaffirmed the College District's "A1" long-term rating of \$69.2 million with a stable outlook that reflects Moody's expectation that the District will continue to generate positive operating margins, maintain or modestly increase enrollment, and generate sufficient coverage of debt service from pledged revenues.

On November 15, 2012, Moody's affirmed the College's rating as Aa3 with a stable outlook. Moody's outlook reflects that the College will maintain a stable and growing enrollment along with stable to moderate revenue growth from tax revenues and tuition increases, as state appropriations are likely to decrease. Although the construction of a new campus will create additional debt, Moody's expects that the debt burden will be manageable given the current levels of operations and financial resources.

On October 9, 2013, Moody's affirmed the College's rating of Aa3 but revised its outlook as negative as a result of the College being placed on warning by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). Although the College is still accredited, reaffirmation was denied during the October 2012 decennial review by SACSCOC. According to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, the College failed to demonstrate compliance with Core Requirement 2.8 (faculty), and Comprehensive Standards 3.3.1.1 and 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs and administrative support services).

In June 2014, the College was reaffirmed as a result of the review by SACSCOC of the First Monitoring Report submitted by the College in April 2014, which demonstrated that the College addressed all issues. Upon reaffirmation, Moody's revised the Aa3 rating outlook to stable, and confirmed the College's stable market position as education provider for the region, with consistent positive operating performance and favorable revenue diversity. The report can be found at <u>www.moodys.com</u>.

On March 15, 2011, Standard & Poor's issued a press release upgrading its underlying rating of "A" to "A+" on the College's Series 2001 Combined Fee Revenue Building and Refunding Bonds with a stable outlook. This outlook reflected the College's essential role as the only community college in the El Paso area; good revenue diversity from tuition, property taxes and state appropriations; and history of consistently positive financial operations. The rating also cited significant growth pressures, limited revenue flexibility, moderate debt burden, and recent instability in state appropriations as challenges for the College. However, Standard & Poor's expectation is that the District will continue to sustain balanced operating results with stable enrollment and overall district financial resources as long as it can manage

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the potential significant cuts in state appropriations and issue additional revenue debt with the commensurate increase in financial resources or revenue.

On March 13, 2014, Standard & Poor's issued a press release affirming its "A+" underlying rating on the same issue as above with a stable outlook. This rating reflected their view of the district's consistently positive operating surpluses, tax base growth, good revenue diversity and the College's essential role as the only community college in the area.

On October 19, 2016, Standard & Poor's assigned a "A+" long-term rating on the College's Series 2016 Combined Fee Revenue Improvement Bonds. At the same time, it affirmed the "A+" underlying rating of the College's Series 2001 Combined Fee Revenue Building and Refunding Bonds. Both ratings were given a Stable outlook. This rating was based on the College's consistently positive operating surpluses, tax base growth, good revenue diversity and below-average financial resources ratios with significant amount of proposed debt.

Additional information on both capital assets and long-term debt can be found in Notes 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Notes to the Financial Statements.

## **Economic Outlook**

The economic outlook for the State of Texas appears optimistic for the upcoming biennium, and El Paso Community College will be preparing for the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature accordingly by focusing not only on increasing student enrollment, but also on student success as it is the College's mission to educate its community to prepare them not only for graduation and gainful employment but also for transfer to 4-year universities. Due to the much improved state and local economy, most Texas community colleges experienced enrollment declines, which jeopardized additional funding from the State of Texas during the 85<sup>th</sup> Legislature. In preparing for the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature, the college administration is planning to continue with the budget strategies established for the 2018-2019 Biennium. As part of that budget planning, the Board of Trustees approved a 2-year tuition plan that set the tuition rate for the next two-years and aimed to accomplish (1) predictable tuition costs for students that encourage them to graduate within two years, and (2) an additional stream of revenue that is set aside as a reserve to deal with the potential decrease in state funding. As enrollment and student success are addressed through its established Enrollment Task Force along with the various student success initiatives, the College is already experiencing a recovery in enrollment starting with the current fiscal year and hopes to fare better in funding from the upcoming legislative session.

In spite of tuition and tax rate increases over the last five legislative sessions to offset decreased state funding for student enrollment and employee benefits, the College has the lowest tuition rate in the region and the lowest tax rate of all major taxing entities of the El Paso County while still maintaining quantity and quality of service to its student population. This demonstrates the College's ability and flexibility for generating additional revenue, should state funding continue to be insufficient to fund its operations and innovative programs.

In December 2014, the firm of EMSI issued a report summarizing the results of a study documented in "Demonstrating the Economic Value of El Paso Community College" during fiscal year 2012/2013, and detailing the role that the College plays in promoting economic growth, enhancing students' careers, and improving quality of life. The main highlights of this study for the College are as follows:

- Due to El Paso Community College (EPCC) operations and capital spending, the local economy receives roughly \$155.5 million in annual regional income.
- EPCC activities encourage new business, assist existing business and create long-term economic growth. The College enhances worker skills and provides customized training to local business

and industry. Past and present skills acquired by EPCC students increase regional income by \$860.6 million.

- Overall impact on the local business community is over \$1.0 billion or approximately 3.9% of the region's Gross Regional Product.
- Related to students earning potential, studies demonstrate that education increases lifetime earnings. The average annual income of a student with an Associate Degree at the midpoint of his or her career is \$35,400 or 36% more than someone with a high school diploma. Over the course of a working lifetime, associate's degree graduates in the College service area earn \$368,187 more than someone with a high school diploma. The present value of the higher future wages earned by EPCC students over their working careers is \$1.1 billion. As a result of their attending EPCC, students enjoy an attractive 14.3% annual rate of return on their EPCC educational investment.
- EPCC students remaining in Texas and entering the workforce enhance the economic growth and expand the economic base. Higher student wages and increased business output contribute added present value income of \$5.7 billion.
- EPCC generates a return on public investment, as taxpayers will see a return of \$5.00 for every dollar appropriated by state and local governments to support the College, or an annual rate of return of 13.4% on their investment in EPCC.
- Most importantly, the state and local community will see \$111.2 million worth of social savings associated with improved health, reduced crime, and less welfare and unemployment claims as long as students stay in the workforce.

The above study demonstrates that El Paso Community College plays a critical role in its service area by stimulating the state and local economy, leveraging taxpayer dollars, generating a return on government investment, increasing students' earning potential and certainly contributing to a healthier and more prosperous society.

In addition to its current role, the College may face additional demand from the growth at Fort Bliss, the Army's second largest installation. Fort Bliss currently hosts more than 34,000 active military personnel, over 44,800 family members and employs nearly 10,800 civilians with a \$1.7 billion impact on the El Paso community. As a designated military friendly school recognized by Victory Media, El Paso Community College prides itself in recognizing and embracing America's military service members, veterans and spouses as students to ensure their success on campus, and therefore is gearing up for the challenges of providing educational services to the Fort Bliss community by addressing its facility needs with the potential construction of its sixth campus in conjunction with the planning of the projects identified by the District Master Plan.

In summary, notwithstanding the impact of military growth in the El Paso area, the current recovery in the state and local economy, and the trends for enrollment growth, El Paso Community College is not aware of any currently known facts, decisions, or conditions that would have a significant effect on the financial position or results of operations during this fiscal year. The College's overall financial position is stable and demonstrated by its ability to generate consistent increases in net position through the efficient and effective use of its resources. The College will continue to monitor those resources to maintain its ability to react to changes from internal and external forces.

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	2017	2016
ASSETS:		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 101,011,953	\$ 91,713,788
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	124,730,141	18,463,595
Accounts Receivable (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$14,130,350 in 2017 and \$10,517,132 in 2016)	16,073,409	13,926,081
Notes Receivable (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of		
\$4,404,455 in 2017 and \$4,033,054 in 2016)	4,640,028	3,790,867
Prepaid charges	23,442,715	24,361,801
Other Assets	877,317	758,957
Total Current Assets	270,775,563	153,015,089
Noncurrent Assets:		
Capital Assets, net (see Note 5)	131,256,774	124,379,597
Total Noncurrent Assets	131,256,774	124,379,597
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 402,032,337	\$ 277,394,686
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Bond insurance cost	\$ 283,103	
Pension	2,450,715	3,616,910
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>\$ 2,733,818</u>	<u>\$ 3,616,910</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:		
LIABILITIES:		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 5,648,434	\$ 4,970,856
Accrued Liabilities	3,235,517	1,700,541
Accrued Compensable Balances - Current Portion	411,505	414,420
Workers' Compensation Reserve - Current Portion	781,683	453,531
Funds Held for Others	1,619,954	1,539,809
Unearned revenue	51,563,059	51,668,396
Notes Payable - Current Portion Bonds Payable - Current Portion (including premium of	376,287	395,183
\$574,056 in 2017 and \$177,687 in 2016)	4 000 056	4 107 697
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Total Current Liabilities	67,735,495	65,250,423
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Accrued Compensable Balances	3,703,547	3,729,775
Workers' Compensation Reserve	118,317	446,469
Net Pension Liability	25,405,594	23,497,039
Notes Payable	-	375,226
Bonds Payable (including premium of \$13,359,874 in 2017 and		
\$1,495,543 in 2016)	145,289,874	40,915,543
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	174,517,332	68,964,052
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 242,252,827	\$ 134,214,475
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Gain on bond refunding	\$ 614,112	<b>\$</b> -
Pension	\$ 014,112	ء 2,399,862
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 614,112	\$ 2,399,862
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Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	92,819,547	90,353,349
Restricted for:		
Nonexpendable:		
Student Aid	742,942	737,859
Expendable:		
Student Aid	5,006,214	4,771,650
Loans	2,171,525	1,949,453
Renewals and Replacement	419,211	396,690
Unexpended Plant Fund	18,183,394	11,864,267
Debt Service	14,719,477	8,463,269
Unrestricted	27,836,906	25,860,722
TOTAL NET POSITION (Schedule D)	<u>\$ 161,899,216</u>	\$ 144,397,259

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Years Ended August 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016		
REVENUES:				
Operating Revenue:				
Tuition and Fees (net of discounts of \$46,566,211 in 2017				
and \$41,246,996 in 2016)	\$ 25,742,814	\$ 22,587,165		
Federal Grants and Contracts	5,276,629	4,892,826		
State Grants and Contracts	3,777,888	4,517,141		
Non-Governmental Grants and Contracts	663,801	484,124		
Auxiliary Enterprises	1,849,813	1,860,428		
Other Operating Revenues	4,200,043	1,670,723		
Total Operating Revenues (Schedule A)	41,510,988	36,012,407		
EXPENSES:				
Operating Expenses:				
Instruction	61,817,038	59,652,029		
Research	71,007	72,795		
Public Service	5,768,757	5,749,966		
Academic Support	21,588,054	20,291,983		
Student Services	11,723,867	11,392,376		
Institutional Support	24,617,974	23,190,040		
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	11,071,739	10,429,127		
Scholarships and Fellowships	26,082,325	29,383,576		
Auxiliary Enterprises	3,544,678	3,430,975		
Depreciation	4,945,803	4,682,201		
Total Operating Expenses (Schedule B)	171,231,242	168,275,068		
Operating Loss	(129,720,254)	(132,262,661)		
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):				
State Appropriations	40,715,392	40,164,623		
Maintenance Ad-Valorem Taxes	54,511,241	52,876,467		
Federal Revenue, Non Operating	52,053,316	52,353,783		
Other State Revenue, Non Operating	954,951	499,605		
Investment Income (net of investment expenses)	1,719,047	331,390		
Interest on Capital Related Debt	(2,731,736)	(2,128,790)		
Net Non-Operating Revenues (Schedule C)	147,222,211	144,097,078		
Increase in Net Position (Schedule D)	17,501,957	11,834,417		
Net Position, Beginning of Year	144,397,259	132,562,842		
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 161,899,216</u>	<u>\$ 144,397,259</u>		

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended August 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017			2016
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts from students and other customers	\$	27,197,574	\$	25,986,584
Receipts of grants and contracts		8,335,101		9,950,486
Receipts from collection of loans to students and employees		11,920,488		5,378,084
Other receipts		6,002,667		3,308,612
Payments to or on behalf of employees		(102,068,387)		(98,870,403)
Payments to suppliers for goods or services		(28,049,334)		(24,599,050)
Payments of scholarships		(26,082,325)		(29,383,576)
Payments of loans issued to students and employees		(12,769,649)		<u>(6,551,542)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	. <u> </u>	(115,513,865)		(114,780,805)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts from state appropriations		32,173,961		32,128,072
Receipts from ad valorem taxes		54,212,415		52,637,259
Receipts from non operating federal revenue		52,053,316		52,353,783
Receipts from non operating state revenue		954,951		499,605
Receipts from student organizations and other agency transactions		1,326,985		954,341
Payments to student organizations and other agency transactions		(1,246,840)		(1,618,917)
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		139,474,788		136,954,143
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of capital assets		(11,833,102)		(6,409,138)
Proceeds on issuance of capital debt		118,070,402		-
Payments on capital debt and leases - principal		(14,571,111)		(4,406,087)
Payments on capital debt and leases - interest		(1,781,448)		<u>(2,206,805)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities		89,884,741		(13,022,030)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Investment earnings		1,719,047		331,390
Net cash provided by investing activities		1,719,047		331,390
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		115,564,711		9,482,698
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, Beginning of year		110,177,383		100,694,685
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, End of year	<u>\$</u>	225,742,094	<u>\$</u>	110,177,383

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

## Years Ended August 31, 2017 and 2016

		2017	2016		
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:					
Operating loss	\$	(129,720,254)	\$	(132,262,661)	
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:					
Depreciation expense		4,945,803		4,682,201	
Payments made directly by state for benefits		8,541,431		8,036,551	
Change in assets and liabilities					
Receivables, net		(2,147,328)		(488,235)	
Notes receivable, net		(849,161)		(1,173,458)	
Prepaid charges		919,086		(1,145,041)	
Other assets		(118,360)		153,803	
Deferred outflows of resources - pension		1,166,195		(56,075)	
Deferred outflows of resources - bond insurance cost		(283,103)		-	
Accounts payable		677,578		1,844,503	
Accrued expenses		1,365,923		63,515	
Compensated absences		(29,143)		244,226	
Unearned revenue		(105,337)		5,274,686	
Net pension liability		1,908,555		3,700,912	
Deferred inflows from resources- pension		(2,399,862)		(3,655,732)	
Deferred inflows from resources- gain on bond refunding		614,112		-	
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>\$</u>	(115,513,865)	<u>\$</u>	(114,780,805)	
SUPPLEMENTAL NON CASH INFORMATION:					
State on-behalf payments	\$	8,541,431	\$	8,036,551	
Amortization of premium of bonds	\$	2,091,231	\$	177,687	

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

### 1. <u>REPORTING ENTITY</u>

El Paso County Community College District (the "College"), was established in 1969, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, to serve the educational needs of El Paso and the surrounding communities. The College is an unincorporated taxing entity governed by an elected seven-member board of trustees. The College is considered to be a special purpose, primary government according to the definition in Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 14. While the College receives funding from local, state, and federal sources, and must comply with the spending, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements of these entities, it is not a component unit of any other governmental entity.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Report Guidelines**

The significant accounting policies followed by the College in preparing these financial statements are in accordance with the *Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's Annual Financial Reporting Requirements for Texas Public Community and Junior Colleges.* The college is reported as a special-purpose government engaged in business-type activities.

### **Tuition Discounting**

### **Texas Public Education Grants**

Certain tuition amounts are required to be set aside for use as scholarships by qualifying students. This set aside, called the Texas Public Education Grant (TPEG), is shown with tuition and fee revenue amounts as a separate set aside amount (Texas Education Code § 56.033). When the award for tuition is used by the student, the amount is recorded as tuition and a corresponding amount is recorded as a tuition discount. If the amount is dispersed directly to the student, the amount is recorded as a scholarship expense.

### **Title IV Higher Education Act Program (HEA) Funds**

Certain Title IV HEA Program funds are received by the College to pass through to the student. These funds are initially received by the College and recorded as revenue. When the student is awarded and uses these funds for tuition and fees, the amount is recorded as a tuition discount. If the amount is dispersed directly to the student, the amount is recorded as a scholarship expense.

### **Other Tuition Discounts**

The College awards tuition and fee scholarships from institutional funds to students who qualify. When these amounts are used for tuition and fees, the amounts are recorded as tuition and fee revenue and a corresponding amount is recorded as a tuition discount. If the amount is dispersed directly to the student, the amount is recorded as a scholarship expense.

## **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the College have been prepared on the accrual basis whereby all revenues are recorded when earned and all expenses are recorded when they have been reduced to a legal or contractual obligation to pay.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

## **Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditures of funds are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration. Under Texas law, appropriations lapse at August 31, and encumbrances outstanding at that time are to be either canceled or appropriately provided for in the subsequent year's budget.

### **Budgetary Data**

Each community college district in Texas is required by law to prepare an annual operating budget of anticipated revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning September 1. The College's Board of Trustees adopts the budget, which is prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. A copy of the approved budget must be filed with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Legislative Budget Board, Legislative Reference Library, and Governor's Office of Budget and Planning by December 1.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The College's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

The College pools most of its cash into one bank account. Pooled investments consist of cash in interest bearing accounts and repurchase agreements. The College considers cash equivalents to be all highly liquid deposits with original maturities of three months or less. The governing board has designated public funds investment pools comprised of \$223,426,530 and \$95,727,502 to be cash equivalents at August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Additionally, included in cash and cash equivalents at August 31, 2017 and 2016, are \$113,797,108 and \$0, respectively, in repurchase agreements.

Cash and cash equivalents that are externally restricted as to their use are classified as noncurrent assets in the Statement of Net Position, unless they are considered to offset maturing debt and payables that have been set up as a current liability; in that case, they are presented as current assets in the Statement of Net Position.

### **Investments**

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools* and No. 79 *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants* investments are reported at fair value or may elect to use an amortized cost which is a stable net asset value per share. Fair values are based on published market rates. Short-term investments have an original maturity greater than three months but less than one year at time of purchase. Long-term investments have an original maturity of greater than one year at the time of purchase. The College had no short-term or long-term investments at August 31, 2017 and 2016.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### Authorized Investments

The Board of Trustees of the College has adopted a written investment policy regarding the investment of its funds as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act (Section 2256.001 Texas Government Code). Such investments include 1) obligations of the United States or its agencies, 2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies, 3) obligations of political subdivisions rated not less than "A" by a national investment rating firm, 4) certificates of deposit, and 5) other instruments and obligations authorized by statute. The College's investments are carried at fair value.

For the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, management of the College believes that they have substantially complied with the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act and the College's investment policy.

### Allowances for Doubtful Accounts and Loans

Allowances for doubtful accounts and loans are established through charges to current year expenditures. Receivables and loans are reduced by the allowances for doubtful accounts or loans when management believes that the collectability of the receivables or loans is unlikely.

### Notes Receivable

Notes receivable are for amounts advanced to students to pay for tuition, fees, and books. The notes are all due within one year.

### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The College's capitalization policy includes real or personal property with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more and has an estimated life of greater than one year. Renovations to buildings, infrastructure, and land improvements that significantly increase the value or extend the useful life of the structure are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend assets' lives are charged to operating expense in the year in which the expense is incurred.

The College reports depreciation under a single-line item as a business-type unit. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets applying the half-year convention. The following lives are used:

Buildings	50 years
Land and Improvements	20 years
Furniture, Equipment, and Vehicles	5-10 years
Library Books	15 years

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### **Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets and liabilities, the statement of net position reports separate sections for deferred outflows or inflows of resources. These are separate financial statement elements. Deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. Deferred inflows represent an acquisition of net positions that applies to future period(s) and so is not recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Governments are permitted only to report deferred outflows and inflows in circumstances specifically authorized by the GASB.

### Pension

The College participates in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) pension plan, a multipleemployer cost sharing defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation. The fiduciary net position of TRS has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to/deductions from TRS's fiduciary net position. Benefits payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### Prepaid Charges

Prepaid charges consist primarily of federal grants awarded in current year which are related to academic term in the next fiscal year, are recorded as prepaid charges and recognized as expenses when all obligations have been fulfilled.

### **Unearned Revenues**

Unearned revenues consisting primarily of advance payments of tuition and fees, related to academic terms in the next fiscal year, are recorded as unearned revenues and recognized as revenue in the period when earned.

### **Compensable Absences**

The College accrues an estimated liability for compensable absences that vest in the period earned.

### Tax Exempt Status

The College is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and exempt from federal income taxes under the purview of Section 115(1), Income of States, Municipalities, Etc., of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"), although unrelated business income may be subject to income taxes under Section 511(a)(2)(B), Imposition of Tax on Unrelated Business Income of Charitable, Etc. Organizations, of the IRC. The College has no unrelated business income tax liability for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### Student Property Deposits

Students are required to pay the College a \$10 property deposit. The amount is refundable upon request when the student graduates or leaves the College. Unclaimed amounts are recognized as revenue after four years. Effective September 1, 1993, state law requires unclaimed student property deposits are for scholarship use only.

### **Funds Held for Others**

Funds held for others represent refundable student property deposits, direct loans, and funds held by the College for various campus and community organizations.

### **Property Taxes**

Revenue from property taxes, including related penalties and interest, is recognized in the current year, net of allowances for taxes not collected. The College's ad valorem property tax is assessed each October 1 based upon the assessed value of the College as of January 1 of the same year for all real and business personal property located within the College's district. Taxes are due upon receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid by January 31 of the year following the year in which imposed. Tax liens on real property are executed generally within one month of receipt of notification of delinquency of tax payments.

The use of tax proceeds is restricted to maintenance and operations. Allowances for uncollectible taxes are based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes.

### **Net Position**

Net position is classified based on the existence or absence of restrictions. Accordingly, net position of the College are classified and reported as follows:

### Net Investment in Capital Assets

Net Investment in Capital Assets is used to accumulate the net investment in property and equipment. The purchase (sale) of property and equipment, accumulated depreciation, and (increase) decrease in related debt and liabilities is recognized as an (addition) reduction of available net position and is recorded as capital assets and as an addition (reduction) in net position.

### **Restricted Net Position**

Restricted net position includes expendable and non-expendable net position. Non-expendable net position result from contributions whose use by the College is limited to the earnings thereon. Expendable net position is for amounts whose use is restricted by either granting agencies, debt requirements, or the Board of Trustees.

### **Unrestricted Net Position**

Net position whose use is not restricted.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### **Operating and Non-Operating Revenues and Expense Policy**

The College distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. The College reports as a business-type activity and as a single proprietary fund. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the College's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues are tuition and related fees. The major non-operating revenues are state appropriations, property tax collections and federal Title IV grant programs. Operating expenses include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. The major non-operating expense is interest expense on capital related debt. The operation of the Bookstore is not performed by the College.

### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the College to a concentration of credit risk consist primarily of cash, repurchase agreements, TexPool, and accounts and taxes receivable. The College places its cash and investments in federally insured financial institutions which collateralize the College's deposits with securities issued by the United States Government and in United States Government Treasury notes.

### **Restricted Resources**

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the College's policy is to first apply the expense against restricted resources and then against unrestricted resources.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **Characterization of Title IV Grant Revenue**

In response to guidance provided by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) as question/answer 7.72.10 in the Implementation Guide, revenue received for federal Title IV grant programs (i.e. Pell grants) is now characterized as non-operating revenue as opposed to operating revenue.

### **Reclassifications**

Certain amounts in the prior-year statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes to conform with the presentation in the current-year financial statements.

### Subsequent Events

No significant subsequent events have occurred since year ending August 31, 2017 through the issuance date of this report.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### New Accounting Pronouncements

The College has not completed the process of evaluating the impact on its financial position that will result from adopting Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements, No. 75 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*, effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. GASB No. 75 addresses accounting and financial reporting for OPEB that is provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers.

## 3. <u>DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS</u>

At August 31, 2017 and 2016, the carrying amount of the College's deposits was \$2,315,565 and \$14,449,881, respectively, and total cash on hand and bank balances equaled \$2,769,309 and \$15,015,254, respectively.

## CASH AND DEPOSITS

Cash and Deposits as reported on Exhibit 1, Statement of Net Position, consist of the items reported below:

	2017		2016		
Bank deposits Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,296,265	\$	14,430,581	
Demand deposits		19,300		19,300	
Flexible repurchase agreements		113,797,107		-	
TexasDAILY		46,714,559		83,573,540	
TexPool		62,914,863		12,153,962	
Total Cash and Deposits	<u>\$</u>	225,742,094	\$	110,177,383	
Type of Security	Market Value August 31, 2017			arket Value Igust 31, 2016	
Total cash and cash equivalents Total Investments	\$	223,426,529	\$	95,727,502 -	
Total deposits and investments	\$	223,426,529	\$	95,727,502	
Per Statement of Net Position (Exhibit 1)		2017		2016	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	101,011,953	\$	91,713,788	
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalent (current)		124,730,141		18,463,595	
Total Cash and Deposits	\$	225,742,094	\$	110,177,383	

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 3. <u>DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS</u> (Continued)

## CASH AND DEPOSITS (Continued)

TexasDAILY and TexPool (the Pool) were established for local governments in Texas under the provisions of the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act and is designed to comply with all of the Texas statutes, including the Public Funds Investment Act and other regulations for the allowable investments of public funds.

The Pool is overseen by the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts. TexPool seeks to maintain a \$1.00 value per share as required by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act.

Texas DAILY investments are a money market portfolio with daily liquidity that is rated AAA by Standard & Poor's.

TexPool investments consist exclusively of U.S. Government securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Government securities, and AAA rated no load money market mutual funds.

### **Interest Rate Risk**

In accordance with state law and the College's investment policy, the College purchases investments with maturities less than two years or invest bond proceeds for a period of time that coincides with the amount of time it takes to use bond proceeds. TexPool average weighted maturity was 32 days.

### Credit Risk

In accordance with state law and the College's investment policy, investments in investment pools must be rated at least AAA by at least one nationally recognized rating service.

### Custodial Credit Risk

For a deposit or investment, custodial risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the College will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The College's policy requires deposits to be at least 100 percent secured by collateral valued at market value of the principal and accrued interest reduced by the amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance. As of August 31, 2017 and 2016, the College's \$113,797,108 and \$0 of repurchase agreements and \$2,296,265 and \$14,995,954 of bank deposits, respectively, had collateral of \$4,097,410 and \$17,355,134 of underlying securities which were held by the pledging financial institutions' trust departments or agent in the College's name.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 4. DISAGGREGATION OF RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES BALANCES

Receivables at August 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	2017	2016
Student Receivables	\$ 21,131,973	\$ 17,100,659
Taxes Receivables	4,046,413	3,747,587
Federal Receivables	899,198	1,057,479
Agencies and Local Vendors Receivables	3,257,694	1,836,733
Contract and Grants Receivables	395,960	275,423
Other Receivables	472,521	425,332
Total	30,203,759	24,443,213
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	14,130,350	10,517,132
Total Receivables, Net	\$ 16,073,409	\$ 13,926,081

Student Receivables are due within three months.

	2	017	2016		
Accounts Payable:					
Vendor Payable	<b>\$</b> 5	,514,376	\$	4,851,375	
Student Payable		134,058		119,481	
Other Payable		-		-	
Total Accounts Payable	5	,648,434		4,970,856	
Accrued Liabilities:					
Salaries and Benefits		909,757		797,356	
Accrued Interest	2	,325,760		903,185	
Total Accrued Liabilities	3	,235,517		1,700,541	
Total Payables	<u>\$8</u>	,883,951	\$	6,671,397	

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 5. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital assets activity for the year ended August 31, 2017, was as follows:

	Balance September 1, 2016	Increases	Decreases	Balance August 31, 2017
Not Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 7,912,974	\$-	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 7,912,974
Construction in Process	3,533,213	5,972,796	(2,247,125)	7,258,884
	11,446,187	5,972,796	(2,247,125)	15,171,858
Other Capital Assets:				
Buildings	149,299,112	6,481,460	-	155,780,572
Land Improvements	16,821,740	195,781	-	17,017,521
Total Buildings and Other Real				
Estate Improvements	166,120,852	6,677,241	-	172,798,093
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Furniture and Equipment	21,388,839	1,160,251	(607,751)	21,941,339
Library Books	5,452,976	269,939	(138,866)	5,584,049
Total Buildings and Other				
Capital Assets	192,962,667	8,107,431	(746,617)	200,323,481
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings	50,877,675	3,081,534	-	53,959,209
Land Improvements	7,722,854	628,971	-	8,351,825
Total Buildings and Other Real				
Estate Improvements	58,600,529	3,710,505	-	62,311,034
Furniture and Equipment	18,119,117	939,156	(597,629)	18,460,644
Library Books	3,309,611	296,142	(138,866)	3,466,887
Total Buildings and Other				
Capital Assets	80,029,257	4,945,803	(736,495)	84,238,565
Net Capital Assets	\$ 124,379,597	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ (2,257,247)</u>	\$ 131,256,774

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

# 5. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u> (Continued)

Capital assets activity for the year ended August 31, 2016, was as follows:

	Balance September 1, 2015	Increases	Decreases	Balance August 31, 2016
Not Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 7,912,974	\$-	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 7,912,974
Construction in Process	5,627,892	2,171,245	(4,265,924)	3,533,213
	13,540,866	2,171,245	(4,265,924)	11,446,187
Other Capital Assets:				
Buildings	143,341,134	5,957,978	-	149,299,112
Land Improvements	16,617,286	204,454	<u> </u>	16,821,740
Total Buildings and Other Real				
Estate Improvements	159,958,420	6,162,432	-	166,120,852
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Furniture and Equipment	20,566,731	2,049,345	(1,227,237)	21,388,839
Library Books	5,398,144	292,040	(237,208)	5,452,976
Total Buildings and Other				
Capital Assets	185,923,295	8,503,817	(1,464,445)	192,962,667
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings	47,912,377	2,965,298	-	50,877,675
Land Improvements	7,029,518	693,336	-	7,722,854
Total Buildings and Other Real	, , <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>			<i>i</i> i
Estate Improvements	54,941,895	3,658,634	-	58,600,529
Furniture and Equipment	18,607,515	725,172	(1,213,570)	18,119,117
Library Books	3,248,424	298,395	(237,208)	3,309,611
Total Buildings and Other	<i>, , ,</i>	· · · · · ·	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,</u>	· · · · ·
Capital Assets	76,797,834	4,682,201	(1,450,778)	80,029,257
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Net Capital Assets	\$ 122,666,327	\$ 5,992,861	<u>\$ (4,279,591)</u>	<u>\$ 124,379,597</u>

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### 6. BONDS PAYABLE

General information related to bonds payable is summarized below:

Bond Issue Name	Series	Purpose	Issue Date	Source of Revenue for Debt Service	Amount Authorized		Amount Dutstanding
Revenue	2016	Construction, Improvement, Maintenance, and Acquisition of Property, Building, and Equipment	10/16	General Use Fee, Tuition and Interest Income	\$ 105,140,000	\$	105,140,000
Revenue	2017	Refunding of 2001 and 2007 bonds	01/17	General Use Fee, Tuition and Interest Income	30,315,000		30,315,000

**Total Bonds Principal Outstanding** 

\$ 135,455,000

Bonds payable are due in annual installments varying from \$3,525,000 to \$8,755,000 with interest rates from 2.09% to 5.25% with the final installment due in 2042. Interest expense related to bonds recorded during fiscal year 2017 and 2016 was approximately \$5,402,408 and \$2,276,865, respectively. Bond premium amortization for fiscal year 2017 and 2016 was \$2,091,231 and \$177,688, respectively. The principal for all bonds is paid annually on April 1 with semi-annual interest payable on April 1 and October 1.

Repayment of the revenue bond indebtedness is collateralized by a first lien on a pledge of certain tuition and fees described below. The bond indentures for all outstanding Revenue Bonds require that the College deposit into an interest and sinking fund the following: 1) Tuition Fee pledged at the maximum amount permitted by Section 130.123 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. Section 130.123 currently limits the maximum pledge to an amount equal to 25% of all tuition collections; 2) the General Use fee of \$20 per semester credit hour from all nonexempt students for each semester and summer term; and 3) investment income derived from any and all funds. Such pledged tuition and fees amounted to \$25,625,830 and \$21,183,466 for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The pledged amount equates to 37.5% and 35.4% of the above revenue stream, respectively. Compared to the minimum required pledge-to-debt service coverage ratio of 1.25, the actual coverage ratio was 2.82 and 3.47, respectively. The College has complied with all significant bond covenants for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016.

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### 6. **BONDS PAYABLE** (Continued)

### **Defeased Bonds**

The escrow account holds funds for bonds that have been defeased. The escrow account funds (assets) and the defeased bonds (liabilities) are not reported in the College's financial statements because those obligations have been satisfied in substance. At August 31, 2017, \$2,235,000 of the Series 1991, \$1,750,000 of the Series 1993, \$5,345,000 of the Series 1994, \$1,355,000 of the Series 1995, \$4,725,000 of the Series 1996, \$3,015,000 of the Series 1997, \$8,130,000 of the Series 2001, \$340,000 of Series 2001 and \$39,115,000 of Series 2007 bonds were considered defeased, respectively.

### **Current Refunding Bonds**

On January 4, 2017, the College issued \$30,315,000 of Revenue Bonds with an average interest rate of 2.09% to refund \$340,000 of Series 2001 and \$39,115,000 of Series 2007 bonds with an average interest rate for the 5.00%. Net proceeds from the Series 2017 Refunding were \$30,120,037 after payment of \$190,000 in underwriting fees, and other issuance cost. The College also made cash contribution of \$10,281,989 to issue the Series 2017 Current Refunding. These proceeds from the Series 2017 Refunding Bonds and College's contribution were used to purchase U.S. Government securities which were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt payments of the Current Refunding. The Series 2001 and 2007 bonds are considered fully defeased and the liability for those bonds have been removed from the Investment in Plant Fund Group. Although the current refunding resulted in the recognition of an accounting gain of \$690,876 for the year ended August 31, 2017, the College in effect reduced its aggregate debt service payments over the next nine years by approximately \$6,145,085 and obtained an economic gain (difference between the present value of the old and new debt service payments) of approximately \$4,644,137.

### 7. NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

	Se			Additions Reductions		August			alance tember 1, 2016 Additions			Balance August 31, 2017	Current Portion
Noncurrent liabilities													
Note payable	\$	770,409	\$	-	\$	394,122	\$	376,287	\$ 376,287				
Revenue bonds		43,350,000		135,455,000		43,350,000		135,455,000	3,525,000				
Revenue bonds premium		1,673,230		14,351,932		2,091,232		13,933,930	574,056				
Compensated Absences		4,144,195		232,189		261,332		4,115,052	411,505				
Workers' Compensation													
Reserve		900,000		679,724		679,724		900,000	781,683				
Net Pension Liability		23,497,039	_	1,908,555				25,405,594	 				
Total noncurrent liabilities	\$	74,334,873	\$	152,627,400	\$	46,776,410	\$	180,185,863	\$ 5,668,531				

Noncurrent liability activity for the year ended August 31, 2017, was as follows:

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# 7. NONCURRENT LIABILITIES (Continued)

Noncurrent liability activity for the year ended August 31, 2016, was as follows:

	Se	Balance ptember 1, 2015	A	Additions Reductions		Balance August 31, Additions Reductions 2016		Additions		Additions		Additions		Additions		Additions Reductions		August 31,		Current Portion
Noncurrent liabilities																				
Note payable	\$	1,253,808	\$	-	\$	483,399	\$	770,409	\$ 395,183											
Revenue bonds		47,095,000				3,745,000		43,350,000	3,930,000											
Revenue bonds premium		1,850,918				177,688		1,673,230	177,687											
Compensated Absences		3,899,970		363,437		119,212		4,144,195	414,420											
Workers' Compensation																				
Reserve		900,000		394,375		394,375		900,000	453,531											
Net Pension Liability		19,796,127		3,700,912				23,497,039	 -											
Total noncurrent liabilities	\$	74,795,823	\$	4,458,724	\$	4,919,674	\$	74,334,873	\$ 5,370,821											

## 8. DEBT AND LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Debt obligations, consisting of revenue bonds, have minimum future requirements at August 31, 2017, were as follows:

Year Ended	Reven	<b>Revenue Bonds</b>			
August 31,	Principal		Interest		
2018	\$ 3,525,000	\$	5,581,834		
2019	3,595,000		5,508,161		
2020	3,670,000		5,433,025		
2021	3,745,000		5,356,322		
2022	3,820,000		5,278,052		
2023-2027	20,585,000		25,024,127		
2028-2032	25,655,000		20,100,888		
2033-2037	31,440,000		14,310,926		
2038-2042	39,420,000		5,883,875		
Total	\$ 135,455,000	\$	92,477,210		

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### 9. NOTES PAYABLE

The College has expended \$2,967,275 under another LoanSTAR Revolving Loan from the Texas State Energy Conservation Office (the "Program") for the purpose of energy conservation, such as window film, high efficiency lighting and control valves. Prior to funding under the Program, all expenditures and related project work were subject to review by the State. As of August 31, 2017 and 2016, \$376,287 and \$770,409 are outstanding, respectively.

Notes payable future minimum requirements at August 31, 2017, were as follows:

Year Ended	Note I	Note Payable				
August 31,	Principal	Interest				
2018	\$ 376,287	\$ 6,175				
Total	\$ 376,287	\$ 6,175				

### 10. LEASES

The College leases various equipment and facilities under annually renewable agreements. Rent expense under operating leases for the fiscal years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$247,318 and \$241,838, respectively.

Future minimum payments for each of the five subsequent fiscal years for noncancellable operating leases is as follows:

Year Ended		
August 31,	Total	
2018	\$ 412,846	
2019	90,728	
2020	39,859	
2021	12,703	_
Total	\$ 556,136	:

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

### Plan Description

The College participates in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension that has a special funding situation. The plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). TRS's defined benefit pension plan is established and administered in accordance with the Texas Constitution, Article XVI, Section 67 and Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle C. The pension trust fund is a qualified pension trust under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Texas Legislature establishes benefits and contribution rates within the guidelines of the Texas Constitution. The pension's Board of Trustees does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms.

All employees of public, state-supported educational institutions in Texas who are employed for one-half or more of the standard work load and who are not exempted from membership under Texas Government Code, Title 8, Section 822.002 are covered by the system.

### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Teacher Retirement System's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at <u>http://www.trs.state.tx.us/about/documents/cafr.pdf#CAFR</u>; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

### **Benefits Provided**

TRS provides service and disability retirement, as well as death and survivor benefits, to eligible employees (and their beneficiaries) of public and higher education in Texas. The pension formula is calculated using 2.3 percent (multiplier) times the average of five highest annual creditable salaries times years of credited service to arrive at the annual standard annuity except for members who are grandfathered, the three highest annual salaries are used. The normal service retirement is at age 65 with 5 years of credited service or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited services equals 80 or more years. Early retirement is at age 55 with 5 years of service credit or earlier than 55 with 30 years of service credit. There are additional provisions for early retirement if the sum of the member's age and years of service credit total at least 80, but the member is less than 60 or 62 depending on the date of employment, or if the member was grandfathered in under a previous rule. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic COLAs. Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes, including ad hoc COLAs can be granted by the Texas Legislature as noted in the Plan description above.

### **Contributions**

Contribution requirements are established or amended pursuant to Article 16, section 67 of the Texas Constitution which requires the Texas legislature to establish a member contribution rate of not less than 6% of the member's annual compensation and a state contribution rate of not less than 6% and not more than 10% of the aggregate annual compensation paid to members of the system during the fiscal year. Texas Government Code section 821.006 prohibits benefit improvements, if as a result of the particular action, the time required to amortize TRS' unfunded actuarial liabilities would be increased to a period that exceeds 31 years, or, if the amortization period already exceeds 31 years, the period would be increased by such action.

Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. Senate Bill 1458 of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and established employee contribution rates for fiscal years 2014-2017. The 83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature, General Appropriations Act (GAA), established the employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

**Contributions (Continued)** 

Contribution Rates						
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>			
Member	6.70%	7.20%	7.70%			
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	3.40%	3.23%	3.40%			
Employers	3.40%	3.57%	3.40%			
2015 Member Contributions		\$	3,547,500			
2015 Employer Contributions		\$	1,967,912			
2015 State of Texas - On behalf Contributions (State)		\$	1,632,644			
2016 Member Contributions		\$	4,022,004			
2016 Employer Contributions		\$	2,136,099			
2016 State of Texas - On behalf Contributions (State)		\$	1,664,553			
2017 Member Contributions		\$	4,409,581			
2017 Employer Contributions		\$	2,093,604			
2017 State of Texas - On behalf Contributions (State)		\$	1,780,564			

The College's contributions to the TRS pension plan in 2017 were \$2,093,604 as reported in the Schedule of College Contributions in the Required Supplementary Information section of these financial statements. Estimated State of Texas on-behalf contributions for 2017 were \$1,780,564.

As the non-employer contributing entity for public education and junior colleges, the State of Texas contributes to the retirement system an amount equal to the current employer contribution rate times the aggregate annual compensation of all participating members of the pension trust fund during that fiscal year reduced by the amounts described below which are paid by the employers. Employers (public school, junior college, other entities or the State of Texas as the employer for senior universities and medical schools) are required to pay the employer contribution rate in the following instances:

- On the portion of the member's salary that exceeds the statutory minimum for members entitled to the statutory minimum under Section 21.402 of the Texas Education Code.
- During a new member's first 90 days of employment.
- When any part or all of an employee's salary is paid by federal funding sources, a privately sponsored source, from non-educational and general, or local funds.
- When the employing district is a public junior college or junior college district, the employer shall contribute to the retirement system an amount equal to 50% of the state contribution rate for certain instructional or administrative employees; and 100% of the state contribution rate for all other employees.

In addition to the employer contributions listed above, when employing a retiree of the Teacher Retirement System the employer share pays both the member contribution and the state contribution as an employment after retirement surcharge.

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

### Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the August 31, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Valuation Date	August 31, 2016
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal
Asset Valuation Method	Market Value
Single Discount Rate	8.00%
Long-term Expected Investment Rate of Return *	8.00%
Last year ending August 31 in the 2016 to 2115	
Projected period (100 years)	2115
Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases*	3.50% to 9.50%
Payroll Growth Rate	2.50%
Benefit changes during the year	None
Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes	None

The actuarial methods and assumptions are were updated based on a study of actual experience for the four year period ending August 31, 2014 and adopted on September 24, 2015, by the TRS Board of Trustees, who have the sole authority to determine the actuarial assumptions used for the plan. There were no changed to the actuarial assumptions or other inputs that affected the measurement of the total pension liability since the prior measurements period.

There were no changes of benefits terms that affected measurement of the total pension liability during the measurement period.

### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.0%. There was no change in the discount rate since the previous year. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers and the non-employer contributing entity are made at the statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The long-term rate of return on pension plan investments is 8%. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimates ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Systems target allocation as of August 31, 2016 are summarized below:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return	Expected Contributions to Long-Term Portfolio Returns*
<u>Global Equity</u>			
U.S.	18.0%	4.6%	1.0%
Non-U.S. Developed	13.0%	5.1%	0.8%
Emerging Markets	9.0%	5.9%	0.7%
Directional Hedge Funds	4.0%	3.2%	0.1%
Private Equity	13.0%	7.0%	1.1%
Stable Value			
U.S. Treasuries	11.0%	0.7%	0.1%
Absolute Return	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%
Stable Value Hedge Funds	4.0%	3.0%	0.1%
Cash	1.0%	-0.2%	0.0%
<u>Real Return</u>			
Global Inflation Linked Bonds	3.0%	0.9%	0.0%
Real Assets	16.0%	5.1%	1.1%
Energy and Natural Resources	3.0%	6.6%	0.2%
Commodities	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%
<u>Risk Parity</u>			
Risk Parity	5.0%	6.7%	0.3%
Inflation Expectation			2.2%
Alpha			1.0%
Total	100.0%		8.7%

\* The Expected Contribution to Returns incorporates the volatility drag resulting from the conversion between Arithmetic and Geometric mean returns.

Source: Teacher Retirement System of Texas 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

### Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net Pension Liability if the discount rate used was 1% less than and 1% greater that the discount rate that was used (8%) in measuring the 2016 and 2015 Net Pension Liability.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (7%)	Discount Rate (8%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (9%)		
El Paso County Community College District's proportionate share of the net pension liability					
2016	\$ 39,319,302	\$ 25,405,594	\$ 13,603,958		
2015	\$ 36,815,430	\$ 23,497,039	<u>\$ 12,403,645</u>		

### <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> <u>Related to Pensions</u>

At August 31, 2017 and 2016, the College reported a liability of \$25,405,594 and \$23,497,039, respectively, for its proportionate share of the TRS's net pension liability. The liability reflects a reduction for State pension support provided to the College. The amount recognized by the College as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the College were as follows:

	2017	2016
El Paso County Community College District's proportionate		
share of the collective net pension liability	\$ 25,405,594	\$ 23,497,039
State's proportionate share that is associated with College	20,079,936	19,607,661
Total	<u>\$ 45,485,530</u>	<u>\$ 43,104,700</u>

The net pension liability was measured as of August 31, 2016 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of the date. The employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016.

At the measurement date of August 31, 2016, the employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability was 55.85%, which was an increase of 1.34% from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2015.

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### 11. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

### **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)**

## <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> <u>Related to Pensions (Continued)</u>

For the year ended August 31, 2017, the College recognized pension expense of \$1,780,564 and revenue of \$1,780,564 for support provided by the State.

At August 31, 2017, the College reported its proportionate share of the TRS's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions for the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	2 011	erred Inflows Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ -	\$	360,241
Changes in actuarial assumptions	70,108		-
Net differences between projected and actual investment earnings	2,151,294		-
Changes in proportion and difference between the employer's contributions and the proportionate share of contributions	-		1,505,050
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date	2,094,604		<u> </u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,316,006</u>	<u>\$</u>	1,865,291

The net amounts of the employer's balance of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended August 31,	Pens	sion Expense
2018	\$	(2,264,681)
2019		(170,087)
2020		(170,087)
2021		(170,087)
2022		(170,087)
Thereafter		494,314
Total	\$	(2,450,715)

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### 11. <u>EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS</u> (Continued)

#### **OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PLAN**

*Plan Description.* The State of Texas has also established a defined contribution plan, the Optional Retirement Program, for institutions of higher education. Participation in the Optional Retirement Program is in lieu of participation in the Teacher Retirement System. The Optional Retirement Program provides for the purchase of annuity contracts and operates under the provisions of the Texas Constitution Articles, Article XVI, Sec. 67, and Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle C.

*Funding Policy*. Contributions requirements are not actuarially determined but are established and amended by the Texas state legislature. The percentages of participants' salaries currently contributed by the State and each participant are 6.60% and 6.65%, respectively. The College makes the 100% required contribution which represents the employer's contribution. Benefits fully vest after one year plus one day of employment. Since these are individual annuity contracts, the State has no additional or unfunded liability for this program. Currently the College contributes up to 1.90% of each participant's salary to the Optional Retirement Program under provisions of State law. Senate Bill (S.B.) 1812, effective September 1, 2013, limits the amount of the state contribution to 50% of eligible employees in the reporting district. The retirement expense to the College totaled \$192,707, \$210,574 and \$223,401 for 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

The retirement expense to the State for the College totaled \$2,240,331, \$2,156,399 and \$2,171,282 for the fiscal years ended August 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. This amount represents the portion of expended appropriations made by the state legislature on behalf of the College which is recorded as revenue and expense in the restricted fund. The total payroll for all College employees was \$87,667,790, \$85,788,661 and \$83,886,361 for fiscal years 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The total payroll of employees covered by the Teacher Retirement System was \$57,268,363, \$55,861,257 and \$52,955,705 and the total payroll of employees covered by the Optional Retirement System was \$14,890,235, \$15,906,712 and \$16,478,420 for fiscal years 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### Tax Sheltered Annuity Plan for Part Time Employees

*Plan Description.* The College has established a tax sheltered annuity plan for part time employees. An eligible employee is a part time employee who is not eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas or any other public or private retirement system within the meaning of section 3121(b)(7)(F) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Tax Sheltered Annuity Plan provides for the purchase of annuity contracts. These annuity contracts are administered by Metropolitan Life Insurance for the participants. Certificates are issued to the participants evidencing their annuity contracts. A participant is 100% vested in the accumulated value of his annuity contract at all times.

*Funding Policy*. A participant can elect to make salary reduction contributions equal to a percentage of 3.75% of his monthly compensation. The College makes contribution equal to 3.75% of participant's monthly compensation. Since these are individual annuity contracts, the College has no additional or unfunded liability for this program. The retirement expense to the College totaled \$34,451, \$34,388 and \$41,261 for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Total payroll of employees covered by the Tax Sheltered Annuity Plan for Part Time Employees was \$918,702, \$916,983, and \$1,100,268 for fiscal years 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

### 12. DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM

College employees may elect to defer a portion of their earnings for income tax and investment purposes pursuant to authority granted in Government Code 609.001. As of August 31, 2017 and 2016, the College had 365 and 365 employees participating in the program and \$1,619,676 and \$1,617,334, respectively, of payroll deductions had been invested in approved plans.

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### 13. <u>RISK MANAGEMENT</u>

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 1990, the College established a Workers' compensation claim program to account for and finance its uninsured risks of loss related to employee injuries. Under this program, the College retains all risk of loss. The College purchases commercial insurance for all other risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The claims liability of \$900,000 reported at August 31, 2017 and 2016, is based on the requirements of GASB Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. The liability is reported with accrued liabilities on the Statement of Net Position. The liability is subject to change based on actual claim development. Estimated future payments for incurred claims are charged to current funds expenditures. Changes in the College's claims liability amount in fiscal 2017 and 2016 were:

	fisca	ning-of- l-Year pility	Cla Ch	rrent-year aims and nanges in stimates	P	Claim Payments		llance at Fiscal ear-End
2016-2017	\$	900,000	\$	679,724	\$	(679,724)	\$	900,000
2015-2016	\$	900,000	\$	405,404	\$	(405,404)	\$	900,000

### **14. COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

#### **Annual Leave**

Full-time employees earn annual leave from 1 to 1.67 days per month depending on the number of years employed with the College and the employee's classification. The College's policy is that an employee may carry his accrued leave forward from one fiscal year to another fiscal year with a maximum number of days up to 40 for those employees who accrue 20 days leave per year. Employees with at least six months of service who terminate their employment are entitled to payment for all accumulated unused annual leave up to the maximum allowed. The College recognized an accrual for compensated absences of approximately \$2,822,341 and \$2,860,340 for the unpaid annual leave at August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

#### Sick Leave

The Board of Trustees has adopted a policy providing that ten percent (10%) of accrued unused sick leave (not to exceed 960 hours) shall be paid to an employee who has at least five years of continuous eligible fulltime service, upon separation from employment for any reason other than by death. At August 31, 2017 and 2016, the estimated liability under this policy was approximately \$1,292,711 and \$1,283,855, respectively, which is accrued.

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## 15. HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

Certain health care and life insurance benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance whose premiums are based on benefits paid during the previous year. The State recognizes the cost of providing these benefits by expending the annual insurance premiums. For the 2016-2017 biennium, the State changed the methodology of benefit funding for community colleges in the State. SB 1812 limited the State's portion to 50% of the total contribution made on behalf of both active and retired employees.

State Insurance Contributions per full-time employee

Health Select of Texas Plan *		2017 /Employer htribution	2017 Annualized Contribution		
Member Only	\$	617.30	\$	7,407.60	
Member & Spouse		970.98		11,651.76	
Member & Child(ren)		854.10		10,249.20	
Member & Family		1,207.78		14,493.36	
		2016			
	State/Employer		2016 Annualized		
Health Select of Texas Plan *	Contribution		Contribution		
Member Only	\$	576.54	\$	6,918.48	
5	Ψ		φ	,	
Member & Spouse		906.78		10,881.36	

Member & Family	1,127.90	13,534.80			
Health Select of Texas Plan *	2015 /Employer ntribution	2015 Annualized Contribution			
Member Only	\$ 537.66	\$	6,451.92		
Member & Spouse	845.54		10,146.48		
Member & Child(ren)	743.80		8,925.60		
Member & Family	1,051.68		12,620.16		

797.66

9,571.92

\*Includes premium for Basic Term Life Insurance

Member & Child(ren)

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

## 15. HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS (Continued)

Cost of Providing Health Care Insurance	 2017	 2016	 2015
Number of Retires	393	373	354
Cost of Health Benefits for Retirees	\$ 3,076,990	\$ 2,735,572	\$ 2,432,801
Number of Active Full Time Employees	1,294	1,308	1,300
Health Benefits for Active Full Time Employees	\$ 12,585,221	\$ 11,925,010	\$ 11,222,573
Health State Appropriation Insurance - Retirees	\$ 1,538,495	\$ 1,367,636	\$ 1,216,400
Health State Appropriation Insurance - Active	\$ 4,762,606	\$ 4,512,516	\$ 4,460,575
Net Cost to District	\$ 9,361,110	\$ 8,780,430	\$ 7,978,399

### 16. POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

<u>Plan Description</u>. The College contributes to the State Retiree Health Plan (SRHP), a cost sharing, multipleemployer, defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan administered by the Employees Retirement System of Texas (ERS). These medical benefits are provided to retired employees of participating universities, community colleges and state agencies in accordance with Chapter 1551, Texas Insurance Code. Benefits and contribution provisions of the SRHP are authorized by State law and may be amended by the Texas Legislature. ERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained from ERS via their website at <u>http://www.ers.state.tx.us/</u>.

<u>Funding Policy</u>. Section 1551.055 of Chapter 1551, Texas Insurance Code provides that contribution requirements of the plan members and the participating employers are established and may be amended by the ERS board of trustees. Plan members or beneficiaries receiving benefits pay any premium over and above the employer contribution. The employer's share of the cost of the retiree healthcare coverage for the current year is known as the implicit rate subsidy. It is the difference between the claims costs for the retirees and the amounts contributed by the retirees. The ERS board of trustees sets the employer contribution parameters of GASB statement 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions. The employer contribution rate represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal costs each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) of the plan over a period not to exceed thirty years.

Beginning September 1, 2013, SB 1812 limited the state's contribution to 50% of eligible employees for community colleges.

The contributions to SRHP for the years ended August 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 totaled \$1,538,495, \$1,367,636 and \$1,216,400, respectively, which equaled the required contributions each year.

## 17. CONTRACT AND GRANT AWARDS

Contracts and grants awards are accounted for in accordance with the requirements of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. For Federal and State Contracts and grants award, funds expended but not collected are reported as Receivables on Exhibit A. Contract and grant awards that are not yet funded, and for which the College has not yet performed services are not included in the financial statements. Contract and grant awards funds already committed under multi-year awards or for fiscal periods that differ from the College's fiscal year for which monies have not been received nor funds expended totaled approximately \$66,129,979 and \$60,187,788 at August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Of this amount, \$64,912,818 and \$57,876,516 were related to Federal Contract and Grant Awards, \$1,217,161 and \$2,311,272 were from State and Other Contract and Grant Awards.

## NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

### 18. RELATED PARTY

The El Paso Community College Foundation (the Foundation, a nonprofit organization) is governed by a nineteen-member Board of Directors, independent of the College. At any given time the Foundation Board could have up to 25 members. Although the Foundation is not financially accountable to the College, the Foundation has received from the College both in-kind assistance in the form of donated services and use of facilities and equipment. The Foundation solicits donations for the benefit of the College. It remitted gifts of \$197,299, \$277,330 and \$351,809 to the College during the years ended August 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The College donated certain services, such as office space, utilities, supplies, and staff salaries and benefits to the Foundation with approximate value of \$42,423 for each year.

### 19. PROPERTY TAXES

The College's ad valorem property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business property located in the District.

### At August 31, 2017:

Assessed Valuation of the College					\$	47,514,261,924
Less: Exemptions and abatements						<u>(7,213,971,097)</u>
Net Assessed Valuation of the College					\$	40,300,290,827
	Current Operations		Debt Service		Total	
Tax rate per \$100 valuation for authorized (maximum per enabling legislation)	\$	0.15	\$	0.50	\$	0.65
Tax rate per \$100 valuation for assessed	\$	0.134909	\$	-	\$	0.134909
<u>At August 31, 2016:</u>						
Assessed Valuation of the College					\$	46,322,388,773
Less: Exemptions and abatements						(6,906,577,355)
Net Assessed Valuation of the College					\$	39,415,811,418
	Current		Debt			
	Operations		Service		Total	
Tax rate per \$100 valuation for authorized (maximum per enabling legislation)	\$	0.15	\$	0.50	\$	0.65
Tax rate per \$100 valuation for assessed	\$	0.133811	\$	-	\$	0.133811

Taxes levied for the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, were \$54,434,043 and \$52,799,720, respectively, (which includes any penalty and interest assessed, if applicable.) Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed.

#### NOTES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUGUST 31, 2017

#### 19. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

		2017						
Tax Collected	Current Operations							
Current Taxes Collected	\$	53,328,020	\$	51,740,083				
Delinquent Taxes		484,393		409,757				
Penalties and Interest Collected		698,828		726,627				
Total Collections	<u>\$</u>	<u>54,511,241</u>	\$	<u>52,876,467</u>				

Tax collections for the years ended August 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, were 98% of the current tax levy. Allowances for uncollectible taxes for the years ended August 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 respectively, of \$579,152, \$547,477 and \$514,542 are based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes. The use of tax proceeds is restricted to local maintenance and operations.

#### 20. PENDING LAWSUITS AND CLAIMS

On August 31, 2017, various lawsuits and claims involving the College were pending. While the ultimate liability with respect to litigation and other claims asserted against the College cannot be reasonably estimated at this time, management believes that this liability, to the extent not provided for by insurance or otherwise, is not likely to have a material effect on the College.

#### 21. <u>COMMITMENTS</u>

Encumbrances, primarily construction and technology related, outstanding at August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, that were provided for in the subsequent year's budget aggregated approximately \$4,517,648 and \$2,393,950.

#### 22. FUND BALANCE

Net assets reclassified in fund balance formatted for the internal purposes at August 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	 2017	 2016
Current funds:		
Fund balance, unrestricted	\$ 24,331,782	\$ 22,745,457
Fund balance, auxiliary enterprises	3,505,124	3,115,265
Fund balance, restricted	 5,006,214	 4,771,650
Total Current Fund Balance	\$ 32,843,120	\$ 30,632,372
Fund balance, loan funds	2,171,525	1,949,453
Fund balance, endowment and similar funds	742,942	737,859
Fund balance, plant funds	 126,141,629	 111,077,575
Total Fund Balance	\$ 161,899,216	\$ 144,397,259

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Schedule of College's Share of Net Pension Liability Year Ended August 31, 2017

Fiscal year ending August 31 *	2017 **			2016 **	2015 **		
Total TRS pension liability Less: TRS' net position	\$	171,797,150,487 134,008,637,473	\$	163,887,375,172 128,538,706,212	\$	159,496,075,886 132,779,243,085	
TRS' net pension liability	\$	37,788,513,014	\$	35,348,668,960	\$	26,716,832,801	
TRS net position as percentage of total pension liability (NPL)		78.00%		78.43%		83.25%	
College's proportionate share of collective net pension liability (%)		0.067230998%		0.066472200%		0.000741112%	
College's proportionate share of collective net pension liability (\$) State of Texas's total proportionate of NPL associated with College	\$	25,405,594 20,079,936	\$	23,497,039 19,607,661	\$	19,796,127 16,454,821	
Total	\$	45,485,530	\$	43,104,700	\$	36,250,948	
College's covered payroll amount Ratio of College proportionate share of collective NPL/ College's covered payroll amount	\$	57,268,363 0.443623541	\$	55,861,257 0.420632121	\$	52,955,705 0.373824256	

\* - The amounts presented above are as of the measurement date of the collective net pension liability (NPL).

\*\* - Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Schedule of College's Contributions Year Ended August 31, 2017

Fiscal year ending August 31 *		)17 **	 2016 **	2015 **		
Legally required contributions Actual contributions Contributions deficiency (excess)	\$	2,093,604 <u>2,093,604</u> -	\$ 2,136,099 2,136,099 -	\$	1,967,912 1,967,912 -	
College's covered payroll amount Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		57,268,363 ).036557776	\$ 55,861,257 0.038239365	\$	52,955,705 0.037161473	

\* - The amounts presented above are as of the College's most recent fiscal year-end.

\*\* - Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017

## Changes of Benefit Terms include:

• No changes for the year ended August 31, 2017

## **Changes of Assumptions**

• There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended August 31, 2017

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Operating Revenues

## Year Ended August 31, 2017

## (With Memorandum Totals for the Year Ended August 31, 2016)

			Total Educational	A	2017	2016
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Activities	Auxiliary Enterprises	Z017 Total	Total
Tuition:						
State-funded credit courses:						
In-district resident tuition	\$ 47,673,321	\$-	\$ 47,673,321	\$ -	\$ 47,673,321	\$ 42,423,012
Non-resident tuition	4,362,583	-	4,362,583	-	4,362,583	3,884,072
TPEG - credit (set aside)*	2,223,355	-	2,223,355	-	2,223,355	2,051,398
State-funded continuing education	1,862,594	-	1,862,594	-	1,862,594	1,555,805
Non-state funded educational programs	887,132		887,132		887,132	1,449,306
Total Tuition	57,008,985		57,008,985		57,008,985	51,363,593
Fees:						
General use fee	10,766,265	-	10,766,265	-	10,766,265	8,076,123
Student fee	3,734,641	-	3,734,641	14,335	3,748,976	3,514,935
Laboratory fee	822,713	-	822,713	-	822,713	818,100
Other fees	81,320		81,320	758,541	839,861	863,708
Total Fees	15,404,939		15,404,939	772,876	16,177,815	13,272,866
Scholarship Allowances and Discounts:						
Bad debt allowance	(633,462)		(633,462)	-	(633,462)	(528,563)
<b>Remissions and exemptions - local</b>	(251,914)	-	(251,914)	-	(251,914)	(270,995)
Remissions and exemptions - state	(13,177,147)	-	(13,177,147)	-	(13,177,147)	(10,382,055)
Federal grants to students	(28,433,105)	-	(28,433,105)	-	(28,433,105)	(25,017,998)
TPEG awards	(1,773,835)	-	(1,773,835)	-	(1,773,835)	(2,098,709)
State grants to students	(2,401,647)		(2,401,647)		(2,401,647)	(2,948,676)
Total Scholarship Allowances	(46,671,110)		(46,671,110)		(46,671,110)	(41,246,996)
Total Net Tuition and Fees	25,742,814		25,742,814	772,876	26,515,690	23,389,463
Additional Operating Revenues:						
Federal grants and contracts	95,581	5,181,048	5,276,629	-	5,276,629	4,892,826
State grants and contracts	-	3,777,888	3,777,888	-	3,777,888	4,517,141
Dual credit cost recovery	1,110,642		1,110,642		1,110,642	-
Non-governmental grants and contracts	-	663,801	663,801	-	663,801	484,124
General operating revenues	3,089,401		3,089,401		3,089,401	1,670,723
Total Additional Operating Revenues	4,295,624	9,622,737	13,918,361		13,918,361	11,564,814
Auxiliary Enterprises:						
Bookstore**	-	-	-	712,173	712,173	561,404
Other				364,764	364,764	496,726
Total Net Auxiliary Enterprises				1,076,937	1,076,937	1,058,130
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 30,038,438	\$ 9,622,737	\$ 39,661,175	\$ 1,849,813	\$ 41,510,988	\$ 36,012,407
					(Exhibit 2)	(Exhibit 2)

\*In accordance with Education code 56.033, \$2,223,355 and \$2,051,398 for the years August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, of tuition was set aside for Texas Public Education grants (TPEG).

\*\*The College bookstore is outsourced to an independent third-party.

# Schedule of Operating Expenses by Object

## Year Ended August 31, 2017

# (With Memorandum Totals for the Year Ended August 31, 2016)

		Operating					
	Salaries	Ben	efits	Other	2017	2016	
	and Wages	State	Local	Expenses	Total	Total	
Unrestricted - Educational Activities							
Instruction	\$ 42,395,924	\$-	\$ 7,114,192	\$ 2,565,078	\$ 52,075,194	\$ 50,693,881	
Research	36,885	-	6,189	21,270	64,344	66,770	
Public Service	2,987,750	-	506,995	1,365,568	4,860,313	4,920,000	
Academic Support	13,720,997	-	2,302,434	2,449,937	18,473,368	17,439,652	
Student Services	7,531,903	-	1,263,881	1,161,288	9,957,072	9,752,419	
Institutional Support	13,476,204	-	2,261,356	7,518,910	23,256,470	21,909,014	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,610,749	-	750,216	7,710,774	11,071,739	10,429,127	
Scholarships and Fellowships				2,190,251	2,190,251	2,002,399	
Total Unrestricted Educational Activities	82,760,412		14,205,263	24,983,076	121,948,751	117,213,262	
Restricted - Educational Activities							
Instruction	2,534,754	4,632,873	372,023	2,202,194	9,741,844	8,958,148	
Research	3,306	-	485	2,872	6,663	6,025	
Public Service	260,863	382,656	38,287	226,638	908,444	829,966	
Academic Support	860,497	1,380,295	126,294	747,600	3,114,686	2,852,331	
Student Services	487,551	784,103	71,557	423,584	1,766,795	1,639,957	
Institutional Support	-	1,361,504	-		1,361,504	1,281,026	
Scholarships and Fellowships				23,892,074	23,892,074	27,381,177	
Total Restricted Educational Activities	4,146,971	8,541,431	608,646	27,494,962	40,792,010	42,948,630	
Total Educational Activities	86,907,383	8,541,431	14,813,909	52,478,038	162,740,761	160,161,892	
Auxiliary Enterprises	760,407		344,834	2,439,437	3,544,678	3,430,975	
Depreciation Expense - Buildings and other real estate improvements	-	_	_	3,710,505	3,710,505	3,658,634	
Depreciation Expense - Equipment, furniture, and library books	-	-	-	1,235,298	1,235,298	1,023,567	
						<u> </u>	
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 87,667,790</u>	<u>\$ 8,541,431</u>	<u>\$ 15,158,743</u>	<u>\$ 59,863,278</u>	<u>\$ 171,231,242</u> (Exhibit 2)	<u>\$ 168,275,068</u> (Exhibit 2)	

## Schedule of Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses

## Year Ended August 31, 2017

(With Memorandum Totals for the Year Ended August 31, 2016)

	Unrestricted	Auxiliary Restricted Enterprises		2017 Total	2016 Total
NON-OPERATING REVENUES:					
State Appropriations:					
Education and general state support	\$ 32,173,961	\$ -	\$ - \$	32,173,961	\$ 32,128,072
State group insurance	-	6,301,100	-	6,301,100	5,880,152
State retirement matching		2,240,331	<u> </u>	2,240,331	2,156,399
Total State Appropriations	32,173,961	8,541,431	<u> </u>	40,715,392	40,164,623
Maintenance ad valorem taxes	54,511,241	-	-	54,511,241	52,876,467
Federal Revenue, Non Operating	198,705	51,854,611	-	52,053,316	52,353,783
Other State Revenue, Non Operating	10,116	944,835		954,951	499,605
Investment income	1,672,984	39,564	6,499	1,719,047	331,390
Total Non-Operating Revenues	88,567,007	61,380,441	6,499	149,953,947	146,225,868
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Interest on capital related debt	2,731,736	-	-	2,731,736	2,128,790
Loss on disposal of capital assets			<u> </u>	-	-
Total Non-Operating Expenses	2,731,736		<u> </u>	2,731,736	2,128,790
Net Non-Operating Revenues	<u>\$ 85,835,271</u>	<u>\$ 61,380,441</u>	<u>\$ 6,499</u> <u>\$</u>	147,222,211 (Exhibit 2)	\$ 144,097,078 (Exhibit 2)

## Schedule of Net Position by Source and Availability

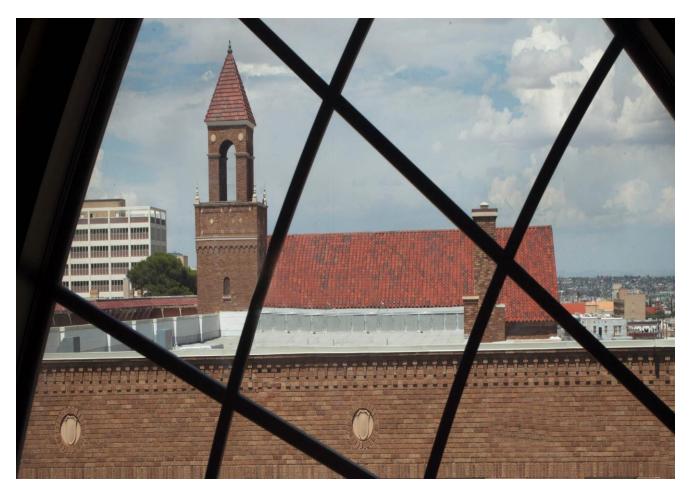
Year Ended August 31, 2017

(With Memorandum Totals for the Year Ended August 31, 2016)

					Available for Current Operations					
			Rest	ricted	_					
	U	nrestricted	Expendable	Non- Expendable	Capital Assets Net of Depreciation & Related Debt	Total		Yes		No
Current:										
Unrestricted	\$	24,331,782	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ 24,331,782	\$	24,331,782	\$	-
Restricted			5,006,214			5,006,214		5,006,214		
Auxiliary Enterprises		3,505,124				3,505,124		3,505,124		
Loan			2,171,525			2,171,525				2,171,525
Endowment:										
Quasi:										
Restricted				742,942		742,942				742,942
Plant:										
Unexpended			18,183,394			18,183,394				18,183,394
Renewals			419,211			419,211		419,211		
Debt Service			14,719,477			14,719,477				14,719,477
Investment in Plant		<u> </u>			92,819,547	92,819,547				92,819,547
Total Net Position,										
August 31, 2017		27,836,906	40,499,821	742,942	92,819,547	161,899,216		33,262,331		128,636,885
						(Exhibit 1)				
Total Net Position,										
August 31, 2016		25,860,722	27,445,329	737,859	90,353,349	144,397,259		31,029,062		113,368,197
						(Exhibit 1)				
Net Increase (Decrease) in										
Net Position	\$	1,976,184	\$ 13,054,492	\$ 5,083	\$ 2,466,198	<u>\$ 17,501,957</u>	\$	2,233,269	\$	15,268,688
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# STATISTICAL SECTION



Rio Grande Campus



# STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the El Paso County Community College District's Annual Financial Report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the government's overall financial health.

#### Contents

**Financial Trends** 

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the District's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

#### **Revenue Capacity**

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the District's most significant local revenue sources – tuition and fees, state appropriations and ad valorem taxes.

#### Debt Capacity

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the government's current levels of outstanding debt and the District's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information

These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the District's financial activities take place.

#### **Operating Information**

These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the District's financial report relates to the service the government provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the Annual Financial Reports for the relevant years.

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 1 Net Position by Component and Changes in Net Position Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

#### Net Position by Component

	For the Year Ended August 31,									
	2017		2016		2015 as restated			2014		
Net investment in capital assets	\$	92,819,547	\$	90,353,349	\$	84,541,270	\$	78,237,413		
Restricted - expendable		40,499,821		27,445,329		28,457,827		29,895,813		
Restricted - nonexpendable		742,942		737,859		733,942		741,151		
Unrestricted		27,836,906		25,860,722		18,829,803		34,714,354		
Total primary government net position	\$	161,899,216	\$	144,397,259	\$	132,562,842	\$	143,588,731		

## **Changes in Net Position**

	For the Year Ended August 31,									
	2017	2016	2015 as restated	2014						
Net position at beginning of year	\$ 144,397,259	\$ 132,562,842	\$ 143,588,731	\$ 131,654,400						
Total revenues - page 58	191,464,935	182,238,275	182,544,087	181,503,948						
Total expenses - page 60	(173,962,978	) (170,403,858)	(171,140,882)	(169,569,617)						
Change in accounting principles - 2015	•	, , , ,		· · · · ·						
GASB 68 and 2013 GASB 65	-	-	(22,429,094)	-						
Change in net position	17,501,957	11,834,417	(11,025,889)	11,934,331						
Net position at end of year	\$ 161,899,216	\$ 144,397,259	\$ 132,562,842	\$ 143,588,731						

202	3 as restated		2012		2012		2012		2011	 2010	 2009	 2008
\$	79,937,511	\$	76,631,932	\$	68,925,159	\$ 61,606,183	\$ 55,023,820	\$ 51,700,504				
	23,103,969		21,450,792		26,857,747	30,331,430	32,767,631	32,232,699				
	737,449		740,985		738,681	736,950	669,942	590,395				
	27,875,471		26,263,067		20,628,820	18,838,065	18,081,481	18,326,504				
\$	131,654,400	\$	125,086,776	\$	117,150,407	\$ 111,512,628	\$ 106,542,874	\$ 102,850,102				

For the Year Ended August 31,

2013 as restated	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008		
\$ 125,086,776	\$ 117,150,407	\$ 111,512,628	\$ 106,542,874	\$ 102,850,102	\$ 97,929,713		
179,796,871 (172,442,933)	182,493,532 (174,557,163)	187,197,068 (181,559,289)	175,032,116 (170,062,362)	150,822,825 (147,130,053)	146,763,963 (141,843,574)		
<u>(786,314)</u> 6,567,624	7,936,369	5,637,779	4,969,754	3,692,772	4,920,389		
\$ 131,654,400	\$ 125,086,776	\$ 117,150,407	\$ 111,512,628	\$ 106,542,874	\$ 102,850,102		

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 2 Revenues by Source Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

		For the real Er	iueu /	august 51,	
	 2017	 2016		2015	 2014
Tuition and Fees (Net of Discounts)	\$ 25,742,814	\$ 22,587,165	\$	19,754,484	\$ 20,354,706
Federal Grants and Contracts	5,276,629	4,892,826		3,823,954	3,988,745
State Grants and Contracts	3,777,888	4,517,141		5,511,113	4,252,969
Non-Governmental Grants and Contracts	663,801	484,124		502,129	823,643
Auxiliary enterprises	1,849,813	1,860,428		1,689,805	1,799,345
Other Operating Revenues	4,200,043	1,670,723		2,102,201	1,811,196
Total Operating Revenues	 41,510,988	36,012,407		33,383,686	 33,030,604
State Appropriations	 40,715,392	40,164,623		41,640,965	 41,286,052
Ad Valorem Taxes	54,511,241	52,876,467		49,302,345	47,104,419
Federal Grants, Non Operating	52,053,316	52,353,783		57,538,440	59,466,875
Other State Grants, Non Operating	954,951	499,605		505,193	446,157
Investment income	1,719,047	331,390		173,458	169,841
Total Non-Operating Revenues	 149,953,947	146,225,868		149,160,401	 148,473,344
Total Revenues	\$ 191,464,935	\$ 182,238,275	\$	182,544,087	\$ 181,503,948
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For the Year Ended August 31,

	2017	2016	2015	2014
Tuition and Fees (Net of Discounts)	13.45%	12.39%	10.82%	11.21%
Federal Grants and Contracts	2.76%	2.68%	2.09%	2.20%
State Grants and Contracts	1.97%	2.48%	3.02%	2.34%
Non-Governmental Grants and Contracts	0.35%	0.27%	0.28%	0.45%
Auxiliary enterprises	0.97%	1.02%	0.93%	0.99%
Other Operating Revenues	2.19%	0.92%	1.15%	1.00%
Total Operating Revenues	21.68%	19.76%	18.29%	18.20%
State Appropriations	21.27%	22.04%	22.81%	22.75%
Ad Valorem Taxes	28.47%	<b>29.02</b> %	27.01%	25.95%
Federal Grants, Non Operating	27.18%	28.72%	31.51%	32.76%
Other State Grants, Non Operating	0.50%	0.27%	0.28%	0.25%
Investment income	0.90%	0.18%	0.10%	0.09%
Total Non-Operating Revenues	78.32%	80.24%	81.71%	81.80%
Total Revenues	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

203	3 as restated	 2012	2011		 2010		2009	 2008
\$	22,181,240	\$ 20,414,460	\$	19,907,092	\$ 15,418,488	\$	13,822,341	\$ 14,338,875
	4,015,782	4,979,369		6,405,026	6,033,833		4,726,771	4,706,659
	3,598,188	4,034,558		5,417,936	4,855,728		4,998,735	4,695,813
	889,024	637,984		359,296	659,293		1,130,573	1,429,620
	1,987,554	2,149,564		2,004,136	1,498,348		1,436,108	1,374,179
	2,156,824	1,956,063		822,643	922,665		1,006,828	923,500
	34,828,612	34,171,998		34,916,129	29,388,355		27,121,356	 27,468,646
	38,284,946	38,364,441		41,206,833	41,592,662		43,234,190	 43,380,018
	42,729,975	42,055,081		37,689,872	36,967,294		36,182,641	34,817,839
	63,124,632	67,420,731		72,591,478	65,793,408		42,661,948	37,727,176
	663,584	339,489		431,302	508,434		39,944	
	165,122	141,792		361,454	781,963		1,582,746	3,370,284
	144,968,259	 148,321,534		152,280,939	 145,643,761		123,701,469	 119,295,317
\$	179,796,871	\$ 182,493,532	\$	187,197,068	\$ 175,032,116	\$	150,822,825	\$ 146,763,963

## For the Year Ended August 31,

2013 as restated	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
12.34%	11.19%	10.63%	8.81%	9.16%	9.77%
2.23%	2.73%	3.42%	3.45%	3.13%	3.21%
2.00%	2.21%	2.89%	2.77%	3.31%	3.20%
0.49%	0.35%	0.19%	0.38%	0.75%	0.97%
1.11%	1.18%	1.07%	0.86%	0.95%	0.94%
1.20%	1.07%	0.44%	0.53%	0.67%	0.63%
19.37%	18.73%	18.65%	16.79%	17.97%	18.72%
21.29%	21.02%	22.01%	23.76%	28.67%	29.55%
23.77%	23.04%	20.13%	21.12%	23.99%	23.72%
35.11%	36.94%	38.78%	37.59%	28.29%	25.71%
0.37%	0.19%	0.23%	0.29%	0.03%	0.00%
0.09%	0.08%	0.19%	0.45%	1.05%	2.30%
80.63%	81.27%	81.35%	83.21%	82.03%	81.28%
100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 3 Program Expenses by Function Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

		For the Year Er	ded A	August 31,			
	 2017	 2016		2015	2014		
Instruction	\$ 61,817,038	\$ 59,652,029	\$	57,670,958	\$	57,157,664	
Research	71,007	72,795		69,457		64,399	
Public service	5,768,757	5,749,966		6,149,566		6,369,946	
Academic support	21,588,054	20,291,983		19,735,815		18,451,025	
Student services	11,723,867	11,392,376		10,135,782		10,023,566	
Institutional support	24,617,974	23,190,040		21,351,304		20,701,313	
Operation and maintenance of plant	11,071,739	10,429,127		10,580,794		10,025,991	
Scholarships and fellowships	26,082,325	29,383,576		35,311,744		36,337,411	
Auxiliary enterprises	3,544,678	3,430,975		3,333,261		3,424,490	
Depreciation	4,945,803	4,682,201		4,474,342		4,515,734	
Total Operating Expenses	 171,231,242	 168,275,068		168,813,023		167,071,539	
Interest on capital related debt	 2,731,736	 2,128,790		2,327,859		2,498,078	
Total Non-Operating Expenses	 2,731,736	 2,128,790		2,327,859		2,498,078	
Total Expenses	\$ 173,962,978	\$ 170,403,858	\$	171,140,882	\$	169,569,617	

	2017	2016	2015	2014
Instruction	35.53%	35.01%	33.70%	33.71%
Research	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%
Public service	3.32%	3.37%	3.59%	3.76%
Academic support	12.41%	<b>11.91</b> %	11.53%	10.88%
Student services	6.74%	6.69%	5.92%	<b>5.91</b> %
Institutional support	14.15%	13.61%	12.48%	12.21%
Operation and maintenance of plant	6.36%	6.12%	6.18%	5.91%
Scholarships and fellowships	14.99%	17.24%	20.63%	21.43%
Auxiliary enterprises	2.04%	2.01%	1.95%	2.02%
Depreciation	2.84%	2.75%	2.61%	2.66%
Total Operating Expenses	98.43%	98.75%	98.64%	98.53%
Interest on capital related debt	1.57%	1.25%	1.36%	1.47%
Total Non-Operating Expenses	1.57%	1.25%	1.36%	1.47%
Total Expenses	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

201	3 as restated	 2012	2011		11 2010		2009			2008
\$	57,143,086	\$ 56,569,373	\$	57,782,436	\$	54,335,517	\$	49,992,432	\$	48,394,133
	67,172	46,990		46,835		41,360		47,745		15,247
	6,007,731	5,741,054		5,623,512		6,243,089		5,616,027		6,395,334
	18,006,899	18,022,725		18,684,484		18,410,143		17,503,474		16,744,629
	10,275,524	9,899,398		10,409,484		10,562,151	10,218,770			10,199,098
	19,932,692	20,028,102		20,167,121		20,029,700		19,142,647		19,922,834
	9,163,297	9,554,646		8,907,338		9,487,154		9,597,425		8,953,714
	39,964,638	44,001,068		50,636,516		41,962,679		26,276,049		22,123,458
	4,755,196	3,008,770		2,180,466		1,753,830		1,462,846		1,773,241
	4,460,995	4,787,773		4,033,896		4,121,401		4,056,430		3,986,591
	169,777,230	 171,659,899		178,472,088		166,947,024		143,913,845		138,508,279
	2,665,703	 2,897,264		3,087,201		3,115,338		3,216,208		3,335,295
	2,665,703	 2,897,264	3,087,201			3,115,338		3,216,208		3,335,295
\$	172,442,933	\$ 174,557,163	\$	181,559,289	\$	170,062,362	\$	147,130,053	\$	141,843,574

For the Year Ended August 31,

2013 as restated	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
33.13%	32.42%	31.82%	31.96%	33.97%	34.12%
0.04%	0.03%	0.03%	0.02%	0.03%	0.01%
3.48%	3.29%	3.10%	3.67%	3.82%	4.51%
10.44%	10.32%	10.29%	10.83%	11.90%	11.80%
5.96%	5.67%	5.73%	6.21%	6.95%	7.19%
11.56%	11.47%	11.11%	11.78%	13.01%	14.05%
5.31%	5.47%	4.91%	5.58%	6.52%	6.31%
23.18%	25.21%	27.89%	24.67%	17.86%	15.60%
2.76%	1.72%	1.20%	1.03%	0.99%	1.25%
2.59%	2.74%	2.22%	2.42%	2.76%	2.81%
98.45%	98.34%	98.30%	98.17%	97.81%	97.65%
1.55%	1.66%	1.70%	1.83%	2.19%	2.35%
1.55%	1.66%	1.70%	1.83%	2.19%	2.35%
100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 4 Tuition and Fees Last Ten Academic Years (unaudited)

	Fee	Resid s per Semester C					
Academic Year (Fall)	In-Dist	rict Tuition	Genera	al Use Fees	9	ost for 12 SCH In- District	Increase from Prior Year In- District
2016-17	\$	94.00	\$	20.00	\$	1,368.00	15.15%
2015-16		84.00		15.00		1,188.00	15.12%
2014-15		76.00		10.00		1,032.00	0.00%
2013-14		76.00		10.00		1,032.00	6.17%
2012-13		71.00		10.00		972.00	5.19%
2011-12		67.00		10.00		924.00	10.79%
2010-11		59.50		10.00		834.00	0.00%
2009-10		59.50		10.00		834.00	17.46%
2008-09		49.17		10.00		710.00	0.00%
2007-08		49.17		10.00		710.00	0.00%

Non - Resident Fees per Semester Credit Hour (SCH)

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 	Gener	al Use Fees			Increase from Prior Year Out of State
\$ 200.00	\$	20.00	\$	2,256.00	11.90%
153.00		15.00		2,016.00	11.26%
141.00		10.00		1,812.00	0.00%
141.00		10.00		1,812.00	0.00%
141.00		10.00		1,812.00	45.19%
94.00		10.00		1,248.00	12.43%
82.50		10.00		1,110.00	0.00%
82.50		10.00		1,110.00	12.92%
71.88		10.00		983.00	0.00%
71.88		10.00		983.00	0.00%
Non Tuition	Non-Resident Tuition Out of State       \$     200.00       153.00     141.00       141.00     141.00       94.00     82.50       82.50     71.88	Non-Resident     Gener       Tuition Out of State     Gener       \$     200.00     \$       153.00     141.00     141.00       141.00     141.00     94.00       82.50     82.50     71.88	Non-Resident Tuition Out of State     General Use Fees       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     200.00     \$     20.00       \$     20.00     \$     20.00       \$     141.00     10.00     \$       \$     94.00     10.00     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$     \$	Non-Resident     Constraint       Tuition Out of State     General Use Fees     SC       \$     200.00     \$     20.00     \$       \$     200.00     \$     20.00     \$       \$     200.00     \$     20.00     \$       \$     200.00     \$     20.00     \$       \$     153.00     15.00     \$       141.00     10.00     10.00     \$       \$     94.00     10.00     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$       \$     10.00     \$     \$	Non-Resident Tuition Out of State     General Use Fees     Cost for 12 SCH Out of State       \$     200.00     \$     20.00     \$     2,256.00       153.00     15.00     2,016.00     1,812.00       141.00     10.00     1,812.00       141.00     10.00     1,812.00       94.00     10.00     1,248.00       82.50     10.00     1,110.00       71.88     10.00     983.00

Note: In addition students may incur course related fees such as laboratory fees, testing fees and certification fees.

EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 5 Assessed Value and Taxable Assessed Value of Property Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

								Direct Rate	
Fiscal Year	Assessed Valuation of Real Property	Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	Assessed Valuation of Property	Less: Exemptions	Taxable Assessed Value (TAV)	Ratio of Taxable Assessed Value to Assessed Value	Maintenance & Operations (a)	Debt Service (a)	Total (a)
2016-17	\$ 41,452,594,928	\$ 6,061,666,996	47,514,261,924	\$ 7,213,971,097	40,300,290,827	84.82%	\$ 0.134909	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 0.134909
2015-16	40,279,585,458	6,042,803,315	46,322,388,773	6,906,577,355	39,415,811,418	85.09%	0.133811		0.133811
2014-15	39,227,150,006	5,816,060,261	45,043,210,267	6,668,113,144	38,375,097,123	85.20%	0.128122		0.128122
2013-14	38,527,163,556	5,644,064,474	44,171,228,030	6,331,204,351	37,840,023,679	85.67%	0.124359		0.124359
2012-13	37,861,722,951	5,675,946,355	43,537,669,306	6,134,901,937	37,402,767,369	85.91%	0.114086		0.114086
2011-12	36,401,060,000	5,227,036,177	41,628,096,177	5,592,871,383	36,035,224,794	86.56%	0.115442		0.115442
2010-11	35,118,376,418	4,685,813,189	39,804,189,607	4,884,780,918	34,919,408,689	87.73%	0.107329		0.107329
2009-10	34,295,699,719	5,336,529,677	39,632,229,396	5,027,414,797	34,604,814,599	87.31%	0.105670		0.105670
2008-09	32,270,602,283	3,359,949,875	35,630,552,158	2,007,078,657	33,623,473,501	94.37%	0.106841		0.106841
2007-08	29,510,740,820	3,114,201,621	32,624,942,441	1,870,233,510	30,754,708,931	94.27%	0.111967		0.111967

Source: Local Appraisal District

Notes: Property is assessed at full market value. (a) per \$100 Taxable Assessed Valuation

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 6 State Appropriation per FTSE and Contact Hour Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

			Appropria	tion pe	r FTSE		Appropriation p	er Contact Hour		
Fiscal Year	Ар	State propriation	FTSE	State Appropriation per FTSE		Academic Contact Hours (a)	Voc/Tec Contact Hours (b)	Total Contact Hours	Appr per	State opriation Contact Hour
2016-17	\$	32,173,961	18,104	\$	1,777	8,226,656	1,961,319	10,187,975	\$	3.16
2015-16		32,128,072	18,084		1,777	8,062,864	2,123,761	10,186,625		3.15
2014-15		33,792,708	18,367		1,840	8,067,120	2,250,842	10,317,962		3.28
2013-14		33,884,773	18,936		1,789	8,378,864	2,342,228	10,721,092		3.16
2012-13		32,619,755	19,793		1,648	8,755,212	2,408,232	11,163,444		2.92
2011-12		30,977,449	20,199		1,534	8,925,088	2,477,978	11,403,066		2.72
2010-11		31,155,773	20,483		1,521	8,944,096	2,575,676	11,519,772		2.70
2009-10		31,479,078	19,724		1,596	8,782,224	2,274,155	11,056,379		2.85
2008-09		33,356,208	17,471		1,909	7,780,464	2,063,535	9,843,999		3.39
2007-08		33,356,211	16,800		1,985	7,418,400	2,000,018	9,418,418		3.54

Notes:

FTSE is defined as the number of full time students plus total hours taken by part-time students divided by 12.

(a) Source CBM001(b) Source CBM00A



## Statistical Supplement 7 Principal Taxpayers Last Ten Tax Years (unaudited)

		Taxable Asse	essed	Value (TAV) by Ta	ax Yea	r (\$000 omitted)
Taxpayer	Type of Business	2017		2016		2015
Western Refining Company LP	Refining	\$ 534,623	\$	488,623	\$	565,133
El Paso Electric Company	Utility	454,064		450,842		407,000
Walmart	Retail	263,256		264,748		272,917
Sierra Providence Physical Rehab Tenet Hospitals	Hospital	216,577		207,305		248,180
River Oaks Properties LTD	Properties	174,437		168,924		165,442
Hawkins & I-10 Acquistion Company	Properties	141,649		149,544		84,675
Simon Property Group	Properties	132,761		136,652		137,076
Texas Gas Service	Utility	117,028		95,624		87,700
Union Pacific Railroad	Railroad	98,398		92,872		87,158
Tenet Hospitals Limited	Hospital	88,014				
El Paso Outlet Center Holding Co	Properties			90,594		93,771
Southwestern Bell Telephone	Utility					
Cardinal Health 5 LLC	Hospital					
Freeport - McMoran	Refining					
E I Du Pont De Nemours & Co	Manufacturing					
El Paso Natural Gas Co	Utility					
Ranchos Real IV LTD	Properties					
	Totals	\$ 2,220,807	\$	2,145,728	\$	2,149,052
	Total Taxable Assessed Value	\$ 41,567,497	\$	40,598,102	\$	39,677,209

		% of Taxable Assessed Value (TAV) by Tax Year						
Taxpayer	Type of Business	2017	2016	2015				
Western Refining Company LP	Refining	1.29%	1.20%	1.42%				
El Paso Electric Company	Utility	1.09%	1.11%	1.03%				
Walmart	Retail	0.63%	0.65%	0.69%				
Tenet Hospitals	Hospital	0.52%	0.51%	0.63%				
River Oaks Properties LTD	Properties	0.42%	0.42%	0.42%				
Hawkins & I-10 Acquistion Company	Properties	0.34%	0.37%	0.21%				
Simon Property Group	Properties	0.32%	0.34%	0.35%				
Texas Gas Service	Utility	0.28%	0.24%	0.22%				
Union Pacific Railroad	Railroad	0.24%	0.23%	0.22%				
Tenet Hospitals Limited	Hospital	0.21%						
El Paso Outlet Center Holding Co	Properties		0.22%	0.24%				
Southwestern Bell Telephone	Utility							
Cardinal Health 5 LLC	Hospital							
Freeport - McMoran	Refining							
E I Du Pont De Nemours & Co	Manufacturing							
El Paso Natural Gas Co	Utility							
Ranchos Real IV LTD	Properties							
	Totals	5.34%	<b>5.29</b> %	5.43%				

Source: Local County Appraisal District

	2014		2013		2012		2011		2010		2009		2008	
\$	488,902	\$	474,080	\$	910,434	\$	422,701	\$	365,474	\$	437,864	\$	551,898	
	328,530		286,055		264,012		257,067		229,477		209,436		190,725	
	264,534		87,331		77,495		86,063							
	223,489		218,264		231,585		236,237		235,065		77,542		145,766	
	163,812		169,519		159,706		162,192		189,984		200,917		166,102	
	101,325													
	177,170		195,509		195,371		195,470		182,874		181,907		183,991	
	93,750		84,076		75,576		73,393		65,351		58,937		56,089	
	89,551													
			89,948		92,013		82,502		50,922		54,640			
	81,141		84,111		92,762		103,544		118,810		127,810		139,570	
			79,833		81,411		70,601		53,890		71,978			
									52,294		54,871		50,394	
													47,086	
													44,163	
\$	2,012,204	\$	1,768,726	\$	2,180,365	\$	1,689,770	\$	1,544,141	\$	1,475,902	\$	1,575,784	
÷	2,312,201	Ψ	2,700,720	Ŧ	_,100,000	Ψ	2,003,110	Ψ	2,011,111	Ψ	2,110,502	4	2,010,101	
\$	37,840,024	\$	37,402,767	\$	36,035,225	\$	34,919,409	\$	34,604,815	\$	33,623,474	\$	30,754,709	

Taxable Assessed Value	(TAV) by Tay Year (\$(	)00 omitted)

2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
1.29%	1.27%	2.52%	1.20%	1.05%	1.30%	1.80%
0.87%	0.76%	0.73%	0.74%	0.66%	0.62%	0.63%
0.70%	0.23%	0.22%	0.25%			
0.59%	0.58%	0.64%	0.68%	0.68%	0.23%	0.47%
0.43%	0.45%	0.44%	0.46%	0.55%	0.60%	0.54%
0.27%						
0.47%	0.52%	0.54%	0.56%	0.53%	0.18%	0.60%
0.25%	0.22%	0.21%	0.21%	0.19%	0.18%	0.18%
0.24%						
	0.24%	0.26%	0.24%	0.15%	0.16%	
0.21%	0.22%	0.26%	0.30%	0.34%	0.38%	0.45%
	0.21%	0.23%	0.20%	0.16%	0.21%	
				0.15%	0.16%	0.16%
						0.15%
						0.14%
5.32%	4.70%	6.05%	4.84%	4.46%	4.02%	5.12%

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 8 Property Tax Rates per \$100 of Assessed Value Direct and Overlapping Last Ten Tax Years (unaudited)

	 (	College Distri	ct		Ot	her El Paso Cou	inty Taxable Ent	ities	
Fiscal Year	Current perations	(1) Debt Service		Total	El Paso County	City of El Paso	(2) ISD's Average	University Medical Center	 Total
2016-17	\$ 0.134909	\$ -	\$	0.134909	0.452694	0.759656	1.346622	0.234456	\$ 2.928337
2015-16	0.133811	-		0.133811	0.452694	0.729725	1.324366	0.220682	2.861278
2014-15	0.128122	-		0.128122	0.452694	0.699784	1.297260	0.220682	2.798542
2013-14	0.124359	-		0.124359	0.433125	0.678378	1.291044	0.214393	2.741299
2012-13	0.114086	-		0.114086	0.408870	0.658404	1.277033	0.192363	2.650756
2011-12	0.115442	-		0.115442	0.361196	0.658404	1.269678	0.192363	2.597083
2010-11	0.107329	-		0.107329	0.363403	0.653700	1.256527	0.182124	2.563083
2009-10	0.105670	-		0.105670	0.338258	0.633000	1.258298	0.179405	2.514631
2008-09	0.106841	-		0.106841	0.342437	0.633000	1.252089	0.181504	2.515871
2007-08	0.111967	-		0.111967	0.360267	0.671097	1.244282	0.020133	2.407746

Source:

City of El Paso - Consolidated Tax Office - Property Tax History

Notes:

(1) - 1975 General Obligation Bonds were paid off in 1995. Therefore the Debt Service portion was allocated to Current Operations
(2) - Independent School Districts (ISD'S)

Statistical Supplement 9 Property Tax Levies and Collections Last Ten Tax Years (unaudited) (amounts expressed in thousands)

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Levy (a)	Cumulative Levy Adjustments	Adjusted Tax Levy (b)	Collections- Year of Levy (c)	Percentage	Prior Levies	Current Collections of Prior Levies (e)	Total Collections (C+D+E)	Cumulative Collections of Adjusted Levy
2016-17	\$ 54,843,817	\$ (409,774)	\$ 54,434,043	\$ 53,328,020	<b>97.97</b> %	<b>\$</b> -	\$-	\$ 53,328,020	<b>97.97</b> %
2015-16	53,139,540	(589,261)	52,550,279	51,740,083	<b>98.46</b> %		191,589	51,931,672	<b>98.82</b> %
2014-15	49,473,303	(443,166)	49,030,137	48,244,378	98.40%	284,943	94,029	48,623,350	<b>99.17</b> %
2013-14	47,455,189	(724,905)	46,730,284	46,062,532	98.57%	274,091	60,129	46,396,752	<b>99.29</b> %
2012-13	42,884,204	(515,660)	42,368,544	41,705,331	98.43%	361,619	42,111	42,109,061	<b>99.39</b> %
2011-12	41,810,318	(416,434)	41,393,884	40,618,634	98.13%	515,597	28,456	41,162,687	<b>99.44</b> %
2010-11	37,798,762	(369,728)	37,429,034	36,538,292	97.62%	652,294	17,718	37,208,304	<b>99.41</b> %
2009-10	37,047,109	(509,313)	36,537,796	35,677,909	97.65%	657,053	12,161	36,347,123	<b>99.48</b> %
2008-09	36,092,639	(265,468)	35,827,171	34,800,092	97.13%	869,730	8,612	35,678,434	<b>99.58</b> %
2007-08	34,603,395	(232,542)	34,370,853	33,562,299	97.65%	675,714	6,555	34,244,568	<b>99.63</b> %

Source: Local Tax Assessor/Collector's and District records. (a) As reported in notes to the financial statements for the year of the levy.

## Statistical Supplement 10 Ratios of Outstanding Debt Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

		Fo	or the Year En	ded	l August 31,	1,				
	 2017		2016		2015		2014			
General Bonded Debt										
General Obligation Bonds	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-			
Less: Funds Restricted for Debt Service										
Net General Bonded Debt	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-			
Per Capita	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-			
Per Student	-		-		-		-			
As a percentage of Taxable Assessed Value	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%			
Other Debt										
Revenue Bonds - See Note 6	\$ 135,455,000	\$	43,350,000	\$	47,095,000	\$	50,660,000			
<b>Revenue Bonds Premium-</b> See Note 7	13,933,930		1,673,230		1,850,918		2,028,606			
Notes - See Note 9	376,287		770,409		1,253,808		1,775,622			
Capital Lease Obligations	-		-		-		-			
Total Outstanding Debt	\$ 149,765,217	\$	45,793,639	\$	50,199,726	\$	54,464,228			
Total Outstanding Debt Ratios										
Per Capita	\$ 165.56	\$	51.52	\$	57.47	\$	64.78			
Per Student	\$ 8,272	\$	2,532		2,733		2,876			
As a percentage of Taxable Assessed Value	0.38%		0.12%		0.13%		0.14%			

Notes: Ratios calculated using population and TAV from current year. Debt per student calculated using full-time equivalent enrollment.

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 2013		2012		2011		2010		2009		2008
\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
- 0.00%		- 0.00%		- 0.00%		- 0.00%		- 0.00%		- 0.00%
\$ 54,090,000	\$	57,355,000	\$	60,490,000	\$	63,500,000	\$	66,390,000	\$	69,165,000
2,206,293 2,282,065		2,383,982 2,773,157		2,561,669 3,249,518		2,739,357 3,696,627		2,917,046 1,480,129		3,094,733 1,037,700
\$ - 58,578,358	\$	3,310 62,515,449	\$	32,654 66,333,841	\$	89,863 70,025,847	\$	157,619 70,944,794	\$	228,497 73,525,930
 	-				•		•		•	
\$ 69.23	\$	75.78	\$	80.85	\$	87.03	\$	89.59	\$	94.38
2,960 0.16%		3,095 0.17%		3,238 0.19%		3,550 0.20%		4,061 0.21%		4,377 0.24%
0.16%		0.17%		0.19%		0.20%		0.21%		

For the Year Ended August 31,

## Statistical Supplement 11 Legal Debt Margin Information Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

		For the Year Er	nded	August 31,	
	2017	2016		2015	2014
Taxable Assessed Value	\$ 40,300,290,827	\$ 39,415,811,418	\$	38,375,097,123	\$ 37,840,023,679
General Obligation Bonds					
Statutory Tax Levy Limit for Debt Service Less: Funds Restricted for Repayment of General Obligation Bonds	201,501,454	197,079,057		191,875,486	189,200,118
Net Statutory Tax Levy Limit for Debt Service	 201,501,454	197,079,057		191,875,486	189,200,118
Current Year Debt Service Requirements	 -	-		-	-
Excess of Statutory Limit for Debt Service over Current Requirements	\$ 201,501,454	\$ 197,079,057	\$	191,875,486	\$ 189,200,118
Net Current Requirements as a % of Statutory Limit	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%

Note: Texas Education Code Section 130.122 limits the debt service tax levy of community colleges to \$0.50 per hundred dollars taxable assessed valuation.

		For the Year En	ded	August 31,		
 2013	2012	2011		2010	2009	2008
\$ 37,402,767,369	\$ 36,035,224,794	\$ 34,919,408,689	\$	34,604,814,599	\$ 33,623,473,501	\$ 30,754,708,931
187,013,837	180,176,124	174,597,043		173,024,073	168,117,368	153,773,545
 187,013,837	180,176,124	174,597,043		173,024,073	168,117,368	153,773,545
\$ 187,013,837	\$ 180,176,124	\$ 174,597,043	\$	173,024,073	\$ 168,117,368	\$ 153,773,545
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 12 Pledged Revenue Coverage Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

#### **Revenue Bonds**

			Pledged R	leve	nues			Deb	ot Service Re	equ	irements	
Fiscal Year Ended August 31,	(1) Tuition	C	General Use Fee		Interest Income	Total	Principal		Interest		Total	Coverage Ratio
2017	\$ 14,252,246	\$	10,766,265	\$	607,319	\$ 25,625,830	\$ 3,525,000	\$	5,546,997	\$	9,071,997	2.82
2016	12,840,898		8,076,123		266,445	21,183,466	3,930,000		2,167,653		6,097,653	3.47
2015	12,089,402		6,323,817		124,829	18,538,048	3,745,000		2,354,880		6,099,880	3.04
2014	12,311,513		5,687,950		124,482	18,123,945	3,565,000		2,532,830		6,097,830	2.97
2013	12,344,375		6,017,817		122,109	18,484,301	3,430,000		2,671,050		6,101,050	3.03
2012	11,657,934		6,151,759		95 <i>,</i> 371	17,905,064	3,265,000		2,833,800		6,098,800	2.94
2011	9,654,356		6,288,519		98,245	16,041,120	3,135,000		2,964,745		6,099,745	2.63
2010	9,368,777		5,905,681		129,087	15,403,545	3,010,000		3,088,967		6,098,967	2.53
2009	7,491,999		5,162,768		302,837	12,957,604	2,890,000		3,208,188		6,098,188	2.12
2008	7,424,058		4,994,683		1,526,546	13,945,287	2,775,000		3,321,825		6,096,825	2.29

Note:

(1) Effective February 2007, pledge coverage ratio includes 25% of gross tuition.

Statistical Supplement 13 Demographic and Economic Statistics - Taxing District Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

Calendar Year	District Population (1)	District Personal Income (thousands of dollars)	P I	District ersonal ncome Per apita (3)	District Unemployment Rate (2)		
2017	904,586	\$	27,744,310	\$	32,952	3.80%	
2016	888,912		27,348,677		32,598	5.30%	
2015	873,513		26,606,169		31,799	5.10%	
2014	840,769		25,891,399		31,156	7.00%	
2013	846,175		25,076,766		30,186	8.80%	
2012	824,994		24,695,912		30,088	10.30%	
2011	820,425		24,104,907		29,381	10.60%	
2010	804,655		22,587,471		28,071	10.20%	
2009	791,854		22,127,568		27,944	9.60%	
2008	779,052		20,688,505		26,556	6.70%	

Sources:

- (1) City of El Paso Department of Planning, Research and Development (estimate)
- (2) Texas Workforce Commission
- (3) Bureau of Economic Analysis (estimate)

# Statistical Supplement 14 Principal Employers

Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

	2017		2	016	20	015	2014		
	Percentage		Percentage			Percentage	Percentage		
	Number of	of Total	Number of	of Total	Number of	of Total	Number of	of Total	
Employer	Employees	Employment	Employees	Employment	Employees	Employment	Employees	Employment	
Fort Bliss Civilian Employees	11,329	3.31%	12,251	3.64%	12,834	4.00%	12,000	3.98%	
El Paso Independent School District	7,875	2.30%	8,380	2.49%	9,000	2.80%	9,000	2.99%	
City of El Paso	6,836	2.00%	5,484	1.63%	6,570	2.05%	6,570	2.18%	
Ysleta Independent School District	6,022	1.76%	7,602	2.26%	7,851	2.44%	7,851	2.60%	
T & T Staff Management LP	5,348	1.56%	5,348	1.59%	5,020	1.56%	5,020	1.67%	
Socorro Independent School District	5,155	1.51%	5,039	1.50%	6,299	1.96%	6,299	2.09%	
Wal-Mart	4,834	1.41%	2,826	0.84%	3,071	0.96%	3,065	1.02%	
Tenet Hospital Ltd	3,407	0.99%	5,100	1.51%	3,053	0.95%	3,053	1.01%	
University of Texas at El Paso	3,332	0.97%	3,700	1.10%	3,700	1.15%	3,700	1.23%	
El Paso County Community College District	3,123	0.91%	3,167	0.94%	3,066	0.95%	3,121	1.04%	
County of El Paso	2,892	0.84%	2,892	0.86%	2,834	0.88%	2,800	0.93%	
University Medical Center	2,858	0.83%	2,858	0.85%	2,455	0.76%	2,455	0.81%	
Alorica	2,500	0.73%	2,500	0.74%					
Bureau of Customs - Border Patrol Div	2,408	0.70%	2,408	0.71%					
Datamark Inc.	2,300	0.67%							
El Paso Health Care System, LTD	2,100	0.61%	2,300	0.68%	3,000	0.93%			
Clint Independent School District			1,611	0.48%	2,150	0.67%	2,150	0.71%	
Elcom, Inc.					2,900	0.90%			
AT&T					2,444	0.76%	2,444	0.81%	
Total	72,319	21.12%	73,466	21.81%	76,247	23.72%	69,528	23.07%	

Source:

City of El Paso Economic & International Development The Borderplex Alliance Texas Workforce Commission Fort Bliss Public Information Office

Note:

Percentages are calculated using total employment figures from the Texas Workforce Commission

20	2013 2012		012	2011		2	010	2	009	2008	
	Percentage										
Number of	of Total										
Employees	Employment										
10,700	3.64%	10,804	3.60%	8.000	2.51%	14,750	4.75%	10,200	3.71%	10,000	3.64%
9,000	3.06%	9,000		9,000	2.83%	9,000		8,505		8,505	3.10%
5,545	1.88%	6,390		6,500	2.04%	6,500		6,400		6,400	2.33%
8,000	2.72%	8,000		7,155	2.25%	7,155	2.31%	6,066		6,066	2.21%
5,020	1.71%	5,020		4,687	1.47%	5,587	1.80%	6,100	2.22%	6,100	2.22%
5,805	1.97%	7,000	2.33%	7,000	2.20%	7,000	2.26%	4,488	1.63%	4,488	1.63%
2,948	1.00%	2,095	0.70%	3,078	0.97%	3,205	1.03%	4,050		4,050	1.03%
3,053	1.00%			3,078	0.97%			-	2.40%	-	2.40%
	0.92%	3,053		,	0.90%	3,053		6,587		6,587	
2,718		3,770	1.26%	2,867		2,681		4,000	1.46%	4,000	1.46%
3,192	1.08%	3,194		3,252	1.02%	3,152	1.02%	2,971	1.08%	2,897	1.05%
2,771	0.94%	2,771	0.92%								
2,455	0.83%	2,455	0.82%								
2,150	0.73%	2,150	0.72%								
63,357	21.52%	65,702	21.90%	54,592	17.15%	62,083	20.01%	59,367	21.61%	59,093	21.51%

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 15 Faculty, Staff, and Administrators Statistics Last Ten Fiscal Years

(unaudited)
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	Fiscal Year Ended August 31,									
_	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Faculty										
Full-time	460	472	466	471	470	419	417	405	400	372
Part-time	857	881	887	916	988	1,043	1,113	1,045	976	851
Total	1,317	1,353	1,353	1,387	1,458	1,462	1,530	1,450	1,376	1,223
Percent										
<b>Full-time</b>	34.9%	34.9%	34.4%	34.0%	32.2%	28.7%	27.3%	27.9%	29.1%	30.4%
Part-time	65.1%	65.1%	<b>65.6</b> %	66.0%	67.8%	71.3%	72.7%	<b>72.1</b> %	70.9%	<b>69.6</b> %
Staff and Administrators										
Full-time	790	770	769	774	748	761	799	804	793	791
Part-time	1,016	1,044	944	960	986	971	923	898	802	889
Total	1,806	1,814	1,713	1,734	1,734	1,732	1,722	1,702	1,595	1,680
Percent										
Full-time	43.7%	42.4%	44.9%	44.6%	43.1%	43.9%	46.4%	47.2%	49.7%	47.1%
<b>Part-time</b>	56.3%	57.6%	55.1%	55.4%	56.9%	56.1%	53.6%	52.8%	50.3%	<b>52.9</b> %
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FTSE per Full-time Faculty FTSE per Full-Time Staff	39.36	38.31	39.41	40.20	42.11	48.21	49.12	48.70	43.68	45.16
Member	22.92	23.49	23.88	24.47	26.46	26.54	25.64	24.53	22.03	21.24
Average Annual Full-Time										
Faculty Salary	\$57,035	\$56,213	\$55,344	\$55,176	\$56,660	\$55,660	\$54,275	\$54,564	\$53,829	\$52,977



#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 16 Enrollment Details Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

	Fall	Fall 2016		2015	Fall	2014	Fall 2013		
Student Classification	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
00-30 hours	20,183	65.69%	19,445	65.29%	17,062	57.49%	17,085	56.07%	
31-60 hours	8,177	26.61%	8,056	27.05%	9,208	31.03%	9,813	32.21%	
>60 hours	2,366	7.70%	2,282	7.66%	3,406	11.48%	3,570	11.72%	
Total	30,726	100.00%	29,783	100.00%	29,676	100.00%	30,468	100.00%	

	Fall 2	Fall 2016		015	Fall 2014		Fall 2013	
Semester Hour Load	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Less than 3	250	0.81%	224	0.75%	233	0.79%	186	0.61%
3-5 semester hours	7,310	23.79%	6,897	23.16%	6,485	21.85%	6,301	20.68%
6-8 Semester hours	8,398	27.33%	8,574	28.79%	8,255	27.82%	8,063	26.47%
9-11 semester hours	6,185	20.13%	5,876	19.73%	5,571	18.77%	6,210	20.38%
12-14 semester hours	6,495	21.14%	6,041	20.28%	6,688	22.54%	7,120	23.37%
15-17 semester hours	1,369	4.46%	1,427	4.79%	1,577	5.31%	1,636	5.37%
18 & over	719	2.34%	744	2.50%	867	2.92%	952	3.12%
Total	30,726	100.00%	29,783	100.00%	29,676	100.00%	30,468	100.00%
Average course load	8.2		8.2		8.4		8.6	

	Fall 2016		Fall 2	2015	Fall 2	2014	Fall 2013		
Tuition Status	Number Percent I		Number	Number Percent		Percent	Number	Percent	
Texas Resident	29,322	95.43%	28,449	95.52%	28,348	95.53%	29,037	95.30%	
Non-Resident	1,404	4.57%	1,334	4.48%	1,328	4.47%	1,431	4.70%	
Total	30,726 100.00%		29,783	100.00%	29,676	100.00%	30,468	100.00%	

Fall	all 2012 Fall 2011		Fall 2010		Fall	2009	Fall	2008	Fall 2007		
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Number Percent		Number Percent		Percent
18,585	57.85%	16,792	54.66%	16,627	55.59%	16,128	57.26%	14,383	55.70%	13,186	52.70%
9,900	30.81%	10,173	33.11%	9,728	32.53%	8,690	30.85%	8,226	31.85%	8,496	33.95%
3,642	11.34%	3,758	12.23%	3,554	11.88%	3,350	11.89%	3,214	12.45%	3,341	13.35%
32,127	100.00%	30,723	100.00%	29,909	100.00%	28,168	100.00%	25,823	100.00%	25,023	100.00%

Fall 2	2012	Fall 2	2011	Fall 2	2010	Fall	2009	Fall	2008	Fall 2	2007
Number	Percent										
231	0.72%	276	0.90%	218	0.73%	198	0.70%	230	0.89%	120	0.48%
6,422	19.99%	5,738	18.68%	5,507	18.41%	5,275	18.73%	4,828	18.70%	4,561	18.23%
8,741	27.21%	7,504	24.42%	7,299	24.40%	6,848	24.31%	6,418	24.85%	6,463	25.83%
6,290	19.58%	5,319	17.31%	5,226	17.47%	4,904	17.41%	4,530	17.54%	4,321	17.27%
7,779	24.21%	8,667	28.21%	8,464	28.30%	8,371	29.72%	7,342	28.43%	7,169	28.64%
1,717	5.34%	1,853	6.03%	1,874	6.27%	1,611	5.72%	1,580	6.12%	1,509	6.03%
947	2.95%	1,366	4.45%	1,321	4.42%	961	3.41%	895	3.47%	880	3.52%
32,127	100.00%	30,723	100.00%	29,909	100.00%	28,168	100.00%	25,823	100.00%	25,023	100.00%
8.6		9.1		9.1		9.0		8.9		8.9	

Fall	2012	Fall 2011		Fall 2	Fall 2010		2009	Fall	2008	Fall 2007		
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
30,723	95.63%	28,982	94.33%	28,287	94.58%	26,626	94.53%	24,558	95.10%	23,818	95.18%	
1,404	4.37%	1,741	5.67%	1,622	5.42%	1,542	5.47%	1,265	4.90%	1,205	4.82%	
32,127	100.00%	30,723	100.00%	29,909	100.00%	28,168	100.00%	25,823	100.00%	25,023	100.00%	

Statistical Supplement 17 Student Profile Last Ten Fiscal Years (unaudited)

	Fall 2010	Fall 2016		2015	Fall 2014		Fall	2013
Gender	Number Per	cent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Female	17,344	56.45%	16,827	56.50%	16,907	56.97%	17,400	57.11%
Male	13,382	43.55%	12,956	43.50%	12,769	<b>43.03</b> %	13,068	42.89%
Total	30,726 10	00.00%	29,783	100.00%	29,676	100.00%	30,468	100.00%
	Fall 2010	6	Fall	2015	Fall	2014	Fall	2013
Ethnic Origin	Number Per	cent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	2,427	7.90%	2,437	8.18%	2,357	7.94%	2,462	8.08%
Hispanic	26,078 8	84.87%	25,151	84.45%	25,247	85.08%	25,857	84.86%
African American	717	2.33%	736	2.47%	704	2.37%	727	2.39%
Asian	266	0.87%	251	0.84%	248	0.84%	280	0.92%
Native American	73	0.24%	89	0.30%	96	0.32%	109	0.36%
		a =00/	1,119	3.76%	1,024	3.45%	1,033	3.39%
Other	1,165	3.79%	1,117	0.1070				

	Fall	2016	Fall	2015	Fall	2014	Fall 2013		
Age	Number	Number Percent		Number Percent		Percent	Number	Percent	
Under 18	6,595	21.46%	5,868	19.70%	4,666	15.72%	4,318	14.17%	
18 -21	12,538	40.81%	12,181	40.90%	12,478	42.05%	13,008	42.69%	
22 - 24	4,264	13.88%	4,291	14.41%	4,514	15.21%	4,543	<b>14.91</b> %	
25 - 35	5,188	16.88%	5,145	17.27%	5,390	18.16%	5,626	18.47%	
36 - 50	1,756	5.72%	1,847	6.20%	2,121	7.15%	2,355	7.73%	
51 & over	385	1.25%	451	1.51%	507	1.71%	618	2.03%	
Total	30,726	100.00%	29,783	100.00%	29,676	100.00%	30,468	100.00%	
Average Age	22.4		22.8		23.3		23.7		

Fall 2012Fall 2011		Fall 2010	Fall 2009	Fall 2008	Fall 2007		
Number Percent	Number Percent	Number Percent	Number Percent	Number Percent	Number Percent		
18,407 57.29%	17,645 57.43%	17,177 57.43%	16,325 57.96%	15,371 59.52%	15,141 60.51%		
13,720 42.71%	13,078 42.57%	12,732 42.57%	11,843 42.04%	10,452 40.48%	9,882 39.49%		
32,127 100.00%	30,723 100.00%	29,909 100.00%	28,168 100.00%	25,823 100.00%	25,023 100.00%		

Fall	2012	Fall	2011	Fall 2010		Fall 2009		Fall	2008	Fall 2007		
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Number Percent		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
2,619	8.15%	2,560	8.33%	2,648	8.85%	2,167	7.69%	2,094	8.11%	2,028	8.10%	
27,571	85.82%	26,253	85.45%	25,444	85.08%	24,196	<b>85.91</b> %	22,095	85.55%	21,383	85.45%	
727	2.26%	684	2.23%	701	2.34%	645	2.29%	544	2.11%	555	2.22%	
298	0.93%	291	0.95%	271	0.91%	257	0.91%	222	0.86%	227	0.91%	
115	0.36%	115	0.37%	102	0.34%	88	0.31%	66	0.26%	65	0.26%	
797	2.48%	820	2.67%	743	2.48%	815	2.89%	802	3.11%	765	3.06%	
32,127	100.00%	30,723	100.00%	29,909	100.00%	28,168	100.00%	25,823	100.00%	25,023	100.00%	

Fall	Fall 2012Fall 2011		2011	Fall	2010	Fall	2009	Fall	2008	Fall 2007		
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Number Percent		Number Percent		Percent	
4,585	14.27%	2,656	8.64%	2,474	8.27%	2,433	8.64%	2,030	7.86%	690	2.76%	
13,743	42.78%	13,570	44.18%	13,174	44.06%	12,506	44.40%	11,478	44.44%	11,289	45.11%	
4,610	14.35%	4,630	15.07%	4,549	<b>15.21</b> %	4,280	15.19%	4,028	15.60%	4,223	16.88%	
5,857	18.23%	6,203	20.19%	5,974	<b>19.97</b> %	5,530	19.63%	5,148	<b>19.94</b> %	5,370	21.46%	
2,688	8.37%	2,935	9.55%	3,001	10.03%	2,778	<b>9.86</b> %	2,594	10.05%	2,906	11.61%	
644	2.00%	729	2.37%	737	2.46%	641	2.28%	545	2.11%	545	2.18%	
32,127	100.00%	30,723	100.00%	29,909	100.00%	28,168	100.00%	25,823	100.00%	25,023	100.00%	
23.8		24.5		24.7		24.5		24.6		25.3		

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT Statistical Supplement 18 Transfers to Senior Institutions

(Includes only public senior colleges in Texas)

#### 2014 Fall Students as of Fall 2016

2013 Fall Students as of Fall 2015

		Transfer Student Count Academic	Transfer Student Count Technical	Transfer Student Count Tech-Prep	Total of all Sample Transfer Students	% of all Sample Transfer Students	Transfer Student Count Academic	Transfer Student Count Technical	Transfer Student Count Tech-Prep	Total of all Sample Transfer Students	% of all Sample Transfer Students
1	Angelo State University	2			2	0.05%	7		1	8	0.18%
2	Larmar University	5			5	0.11%	5			5	0.11%
3	Midwestern State University	0			0	0.00%	1			1	0.02%
4	Prairie View A&M University	2			2	0.05%	1			1	0.02%
5	Sam Houston State University	4		1	5	0.11%	4	1	1	6	0.14%
6	Stephan F. Austin State University	2			2	0.05%	1			1	0.02%
7	Sul Ross State University	22	1	1	24	0.54%	39	3	3	45	1.02%
8	Sul Ross State University - Rio Grande College	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
9	Tarleton State University	5			5	0.11%	1			1	0.02%
10	Texas A&M International University	1			1	0.02%	2			2	0.05%
11	Texas A&M University - College Station	53	3	3	59	1.33%	54		1	55	1.25%
12	Texas A&M University - Central Texas	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
13	Texas A&M University - Commerce	2	1		3	0.07%	4			4	0.09%
14	Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi	10			10	0.23%	7			7	0.16%
15	Texas A&M University - Galveston	2			2	0.05%	2			2	0.05%
16	Texas A&M University - Kingsville	0			0	0.00%	3			3	0.07%
17	Texas A&M University - San Antonio	2	1		3	0.07%	2			2	0.05%
18	Texas A&M University - Texarkana	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
19	Texas A&M University - Health Science Center	4			4	0.09%	2			2	0.05%
20	Texas Southern University	0			0	0.00%	3			3	0.07%
21	Texas State University - San Marcos	66	4	3	73	1.65%	52	10	1	63	1.43%
22	Texas Tech University	129	5	5	139	3.14%	165	3	6	174	3.95%
23	Texas Tech University - Health Science Center	4			4	0.09%	10	1	1	12	0.27%
24	Texas Tech University - Health Science Center - El Paso	58		5	63	1.42%	45		3	48	1.09%
25	Texas Women's University	6	1		7	0.16%	9			9	0.20%
26	University of Houston	11			11	0.25%	8	2	1	11	0.25%
27	University of Houston - Downtown	2			2	0.05%	1			1	0.02%
28	University of Houston - Clear Lake	1			1	0.02%	0			0	0.00%
29	University of Houston - Victoria	3			3	0.07%	0		1	1	0.02%
30	University of North Texas	17	1		18	0.41%	40	2	1	43	0.98%
31	University of North Texas at Dallas	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
32	University of North Texas Health Science Center	0			0	0.00%	1			1	0.02%
33	University of Texas - Arlington	17		1	18	0.41%	26	1	3	30	0.68%
34	University of Texas - Austin	82	4	2	88	<b>1.99</b> %	115	3	3	121	2.75%
35	University of Texas - Dallas	6			6	0.14%	11			11	0.25%
36	University of Texas - El Paso	3,581	87	113	3781	85.33%	3,427	87	109	3623	82.25%
37	University of Texas - Pan American	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
38	University of Texas - Permian Basin	13	1		14	0.32%	17	1	2	20	0.45%
39	University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley (formerly Brownsville)	2	2		4	0.09%	6			6	0.14%
40	University of Texas - San Antonio	49	1		50	1.13%	59	1	5	65	1.48%
41	University of Texas - Tyler	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
42	University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston	4			4	0.09%	2			2	0.05%
43	University of Texas Health Science Center - San Antonio	3	1		4	0.09%	1			1	0.02%
44	University of Texas Medical Branch - Galveston	3			3	0.07%	1			1	0.02%
45	University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
46	University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center - Dallas	0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
47	West Texas A&M University	10	1		11	0.25%	14			14	0.32%
	Totals	4,183	114	134	4,431	100.00%	4,148	115	142	4,405	100.00%

2012 Fall Students as of Fall 2014

#### 2011 Fall Students as of Fall 2013

2010 Fall Students as of Fall 2012

Transfer Student Count Academic	Transfer Student Count Technical	Transfer Student Count Tech-Prep	Total of all Sample Transfer Students	% of all Sample Transfer Students	Transfer Student Count Academic	Transfer Student Count Technical	Transfer Student Count Tech-Prep	Total of all Sample Transfer Students	% of all Sample Transfer Students	Transfer Student Count Academic	Transfer Student Count Technical	Transfer Student Count Tech-Prep	Total of all Sample Transfer Students	% of all Sample Transfer Students
-			7	0.140/	10			10	0.00%				10	0.05%
7				0.14%	12			12 5	0.23%	14	1	4	19 3	0.37%
4 2			4	0.08%	4		1		0.10%	3 3				0.06%
			2	0.04%	4			4	0.08%				3	0.06%
4			4 5	0.08% 0.10%	0		1 1	1 7	0.02% 0.14%	2			2 8	0.04% 0.15%
4 1	1 1		5	0.10%	6 0		1	0	0.14%	8 1			8 1	0.15%
1 27	1	5	32	0.64%	0 30			30	0.58%	33	1		34	0.02%
2/		5	32 2	0.04%	30 1			30 1	0.58%	55 1	1		54 1	0.00%
2			2	0.04%	1			1	0.02%	3			3	0.02%
1			1	0.02%	4	4	3	11	0.02%	2			3 2	0.06%
1 54	1	3	58	0.02% 1.17%	4 54	4	3	54	0.21% 1.05%	2 40	2	1	2 43	0.04%
54 0	1	3	58 0	0.00%	54 0			54 0	0.00%	40	2 1	1	43 1	0.83%
0 1			0	0.00%	2			2	0.00%	3	1		3	0.02%
5			5	0.02%	2 8	1		2 9	0.04%	3 7			3 7	0.06% 0.14%
5 4			5 4	0.10%	8	1		9 2	0.17%	2			2	0.14%
4			4	0.08%	2			2	0.04%	2			2	0.04%
4			4 3	0.06%	2 3			2 3	0.04%	4			4	0.04%
0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%	4			4	0.08%
0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%	1				0.00%
0			0	0.00%	4			4	0.00%	1			1 1	0.02%
68	0	2	0 78	0.00% 1.57%	4 66	9	10	4 85	0.08% 1.65%	75	5	3	83	
68 184	8 5	4	78 193	1.57% 3.88%	00 140	9 4	9	85 153	1.65% 2.97%	75 145	5 4		83 155	1.61% 3.00%
184	5	4	193	5.88% 0.34%	140	4	9	155	2.97% 0.19%	145 69	4	6 2	155 71	3.00% 1.37%
48			48	0.34%	10 49			10 49	0.19%	09		2	/1	0.00%
48 13			48 13	0.97%	49 11			49 11	0.95%	10			10	0.00% 0.19%
6		3	9	0.26%	4	1		5	0.21%	10			10	0.19% 0.21%
0		3	9	0.18%	4 0	1		0	0.10%	1			1	0.21%
2			2	0.00%	0			0	0.00%	1			0	0.02%
2		1	2	0.04%	0 1			0	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
22		2	24	0.02%	36	2	1	39	0.02%	0 30	2	2	0 34	0.66%
1		2	24 1	0.48%	2	2	1	2	0.04%	0	2	2	34	0.00%
0			0	0.02%	2			2	0.04%	2			2	0.00%
25	1	2	28	0.56%	22	2		2 24	0.04%	2 30		2	32	0.62%
23 129	8	5	28 142	2.86%	144	8	8	24 160	0.47% 3.10%	30 162	8	2 1	52 171	<b>3.31</b> %
125	1	1	142	0.24%	9	0	0	9	0.17%	6	0	1	6	0.12%
3,933	80	129	4,142	83.37%	4,134	104	106	4,344	84.23%	4,125	87	131	4,343	84.08%
4	00	12)	4	0.08%	0	104	100	0	0.00%	2	07	151	2	0.04%
4 24	2		26	0.52%	20		1	21	0.41%	12			12	0.23%
0	-	1	1	0.02%	1		1	1	0.02%	4			4	0.08%
63		8	71	1.43%	63	3	2	68	1.32%	4 64	2	1	67	1.30%
0		0	0	0.00%	2	5	1	3	0.06%	1	1	1	2	0.04%
0			0	0.00%	0		1	0	0.00%	1	1		1	0.04%
5			5	0.10%	0			0	0.00%	5			5	0.10%
2			2	0.10%	2			2	0.00%	0			0	0.00%
2			2	0.04%	2 1			2	0.04%	0			0	0.00%
0			0	0.00%	0			0	0.02%	3			3	0.06%
14			14	0.28%	18			18	0.35%	8		1	9	0.17%
			11	0.2070	10			10	0.0070			Ŧ	,	0.17 /0
4,694	108	166	4,968	100.00%	4,874	138	144	5,156	100.00%	4,896	114	154	5,164	100.00%

# Statistical Supplement 19 Capital Asset Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

(unaudited)

				H	iscal Year End	ed August 31,				
-	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Academic buildings Square footage	25 994,344	25 994,344	25 994,344	25 994,344	25 994,344	25 985,927	25 985,927	23 899,857	23 893,069	21 862,709
Libraries Square footage Number of Volumes (in thousands)	5 93,801 195,858	5 93,801 192,736	5 93,801 194,768	5 93,801 189,068	5 93,801 180,748	5 93,801 179,432	5 93,801 177,750	5 88,501 176,955	5 58,704 173,437	5 58,704 169,963
Administrative and support buildings Square footage	11 627,638	11 627,638	9 625,401	9 625,401	9 625,401	8 596,034	8 596,034	7 584,627	7 378,494	7 378,494
Athletic Facilities Square footage Baseball and softball fields	7 296,906 204,059	7 295,800 204,059	7 295,800 204,059							
Gymnasiums Tennis Court	33,807 59,040	32,701 59,040	32,701 59,040							
Plant facilities Square footage	6 19,609									
Transportation Cars Light Trucks/Vans Buses	58 70 3	58 65 3	56 64 3	53 66 3	53 68 3	54 74 3	52 78 1	60 84 2	60 84 3	63 88 3

# SINGLE AUDIT SECTION



Transmountain Campus



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

See page 1 of the Financial Section

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Grantor's Number	Di	irect Awards		s-Through Awards		Total		ubrecipients Expenditures
U.S. Department of Education:										
Direct Programs:										
Student Financial Aid Cluster										
Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants	84.007		\$	1,151,311			\$	1,151,311	\$	-
Federal College Work Study Program	84.033			905,338				905,338		
Federal Pell Grant Program	84.063			49,381,228				49,381,228		
Federal Direct Student Loans	84.268			6,174,194		-		6,174,194		-
Total Student Financial Assistance Cluster				57,612,071		-		57,612,071		<u> </u>
TRIO Cluster										
TRIO Student Support Services	84.042		-	615,439		-		615,439		
Total TRIO Cluster				615,439		-		615,439		-
Higher Education Institutional Aid	84.031			1,876,502		-		1,876,502		67,290
Migrant Education-High School Equivalency Program	84.141			488,666		-		488,666		
Migrant Education-College Assistance Migrant Program	84.149			206,876				206,876		
Pass-Through From:										
Texas Workforce Commission										
Adult Education - Basic Grants to States										
Adult Education and Literacy Prof Dev.	84.002	1014AEL000				1,375		1,375		
Adult Education and Literacy Prof Dev.	84.002	1016AEL002		-		106,255		106,255		-
				-		107,630		107,630		-
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Vocational Education - Basic Grants to States Formula Allocation Education Research, Development and Dissemination	84.048 84.305	174231 R305H150094/R305H150069				704,557 103,468		704,557 103,468	<u>.</u>	
Total Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to	States			-		808,025		808,025		
University of Texas at El Paso										
Higher Education Institutional Aid FY 06	84.031	2261508348		-		229,970		229,970		_
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>\$</u>	60,799,554	<u>\$</u>	1,145,625	<u>\$</u>	61,945,179	<u>\$</u>	67,290
U.S. Department of Agriculture:										
Direct Programs:										
National Institute of Food and Agriculture										
Hispanic Serving Institutions Education Grants	10.223		\$	18,364	\$	-	\$	18,364	\$	-
Pass- Through From:										
University of Texas at El Paso										
Hispanic Serving Institutions Education Grants	10.223	226300285A-03		-		9,150		9,150		-
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$	18,364	\$	9,150	<u>\$</u>	27,514	\$	
U.S. Department of Defense:										
Direct Program:										
Procurement Technical Assistance for Business Firms	12.002		\$	275,706	\$	-	\$	275,706	\$	-
Total U.S. Department of Defense			\$	275,706	\$	-	\$	275,706	<u> </u>	
Total C.S. Department of Derense			Ψ	2/3//00	Ψ		Ψ	2/0//00	Ψ	

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (continued)

	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Grantor's Number	Dire	ct Awards		-Through Awards		bursements And penditures		ecipients nditures
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:										
Pass-Through From:										
City of El Paso										
Community Development Block/Entitlement Grants	14.218	N/A	\$	-	\$	31,259	\$	31,259	\$	-
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Dev	elopment		\$		\$	31,259	<u>\$</u>	31,259	\$	-
U.S. Department of Justice:										
Direct Program:										
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program	16.607		\$	2,116	\$	-	\$	2,116		-
Total U.S. Department of Justice			\$	2,116	\$	-	\$	2,116	. <u> </u>	-
U.S. Department of Labor:										
Pass-Through From:										
Texas Workforce Commission										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Formula Grants	17.278	1017ATP000	\$	-	\$	41,266	\$	41,266	\$	-
Total U.S. Department of Labor			\$		\$	41,266	\$	41,266	\$	-
National Aeronautics and Space Administration										
Pass-Through From:										
San Jacinto Community College										
Education	43.008	N/A	\$	-	\$	4,125	\$	4,125		-
Administration			\$	-	\$	4,125	\$	4,125	\$	-
National Science Foundation:										
Direct Program:										
Education and Human Resources	47.076		\$	164,113	\$	-	\$	164,113		-
Pass-Through From:										
University of Texas at El Paso										
Geosciences - UTEP - ROCCS	47.050	EAR-1559716				16,808		16,808		
Education and Human Resources UTEP/LASAMP 2016	47.076	226100841-08				5,793		5,793		
Education and Human Resources UTEP/LASAMP 2017	47.076	226100841D		-		21,198	-	21,198		-
Total pass through from University of Texas at El Paso				-		43,799		43,799		-
Total National Science Foundation			\$	164,113	\$	43,799	\$	207,912	\$	
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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (continued)

	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Grantor's Number	Dire	ect Awards		ss-Through Awards		sbursements And xpenditures		recipients enditures
U.S. Small Business Administration:								1	· · ·	
Pass-Through From:										
University of Texas at San Antonio										
UTSA SBDC SBA 2016	59.037	6-603001-Z-0049-30-EPCC	\$	-	\$	48,618	\$	48,618	\$	
UTSA SBDC SBA 2017	59.037	7-603001-Z-0049-31-EPCC		-		160,119		160,119		
Total U.S. Small Business Administration			\$	-	\$	208,737	\$	208,737	\$	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:										
Direct Programs:										
Research and Development Cluster										
National Institutes of Health										
Biomedical Research and Research Training	93.859		\$	530,597	\$	-	\$	530,597	\$	
Pass-Through From:										
Research and Development Cluster										
National Institutes of Health University of Texas at El Paso										
UTEP Bridges to the Future 2016	93.859	2015074036				4,814		4,814		
UTEP Bridges to the Future 2017	93.859	226141158A-01				30,688		30,688		
UTEP Bridges to the Future 2018	93.859	226141158B		-		13,960		13,960		
-	50.005	2201111000								
Total Research and Development Cluster				530,597		49,462		580,059		
Pass-Through From: National Institute of Health										
University of Texas at El Paso										
Trans-NIH Research Support										
UTEP NIH Build Initiative 2017	93.310	226141198F		-		69,395		69,395		
UTEP NIH Build Initiative 2018	93.310	226141238F				4,788		4,788		
UTEP NIH Build SEED Cancer Research	93.310	226141179A-01		-		3,698		3,698	·	
Texas Workforce Commission						77,881		77,881		
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families										
Apprenticeship Program FY 17	93.558	1017ATP000				11,200		11,200		
TWC Governor Summer Merit 2016	93.558	1016SMP000		-		10		10		
				-		11,210		11,210		
VOLAR Center for Independent Living										
Administration for Community Living										
Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and										
Advocacy	93.630	N/A		-		14,088		14,088		
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Serv	vices		\$	530,597	\$	152,641	\$	683,238	\$	-
J.S. Department of Homeland Security:										
Pass-Through From:										
Texas Office of the Governor										
Radio Interoperability	97.067	2950301	\$	-	\$	40,439	\$	40,439	\$	
Radio Interoperability	97.067	2950302	÷	_	Ŷ	103,938	Ŷ	103,938	Ŧ	
Total US Agency for International Development	57.007	2300002	\$	-	\$	144,377	\$	144,377	\$	
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$	61,790,450	\$	1,780,979	\$	63,571,429	\$	67,29

#### NOTES TO SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AUGUST 31, 2017

#### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of El Paso County Community College District under programs of the federal government for the year ended August 31, 2017. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the College, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the College.

#### 2. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICES</u>

This schedule has been prepared on the accrual basis accounting. Revenues are recorded for financial reporting purposes when the College has met the qualifications for the respective program. Expenditures reported on the Schedule also are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The College has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### 3. STUDENT LOANS PROCESSED AND ADMINISTRATIVE COST RECOVERED

Federal Grantor CFDA Number/Program Name	New Loans Processed	Administrative Cost Recovered	Total Loans e Processed and Administrative Cost Recovered		
U.S. Department of Education 84.268 Federal Direct Student Loans	<u>\$ 6,174,194</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 6,174,194</u>		

#### 4. AMOUNTS PASSED THROUGH BY THE COLLEGE

Of the federal expenditures presented in the schedule, the College provided awards to subrecipient as follows:

CFDA Number	Primary Award	Recipient	 t Provided precipient
84.031	CH004948	Texas Tech University	\$ 67,290

#### NOTES TO SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AUGUST 31, 2017

# 5. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE RECONCILIATION

Federal Revenue - Per Schedule E	
Per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	\$ 63,571,429
Federal Family Education Loans	-
Direct Student Loans	(6,174,194)
Funds passed through to others	(67,290)
Non Operating Federal Revenue from Schedule C	 (52,053,316)
Total Federal Revenue per Schedule A	\$ 5,276,629

#### Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards

	State Grantor's Number	Disbursements And Expenditures
Texas Workforce Commission:		
Direct Programs:		
TWC - EPCC Partnership with Toro Company	1015SDF000	\$ (42,790)
TWC - SDF Sun Towers/Vista Hills Hospitals of Providence	1016SDF000	390,012
TWC - Skills for Small Business 2016	1016SSD000	11,744
TWC - Cardinal Health Pharmacy, LLC	1016SDF001	290,622
TWC - Plastic Molding Technology	1016SDF002	189,376
Apprenticeship Program FY 2017	1017ATP000	101,539
Skills for Transition	1017SDF000	14,448
		954,951
Pass Through From:		
Socorro Independent School District		
Adult Education and Literacy Prof. Dev. Ctr	1014AEL000	14,285
Total Texas Workforce Commission		<u>\$ 969,236</u>
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board:		
Texas Grant Renewal	N/A	\$ 1,350
TEOG Initial	N/A	828,275
TEOG Renewal	N/A	1,572,022
State Work-study 2016/2017	N/A	151,973
Regional Networks	11710/13624/15216/17348/19098	10,668
T-STEM 2015 Scholarship	15141	5,192
Texas Puente Program	15308	6,087
Work Study Student Mentorship	15557	84,599
T-STEM 2016 Scholarship	16898	197,464
SGPD	N/A	84,350
Tuition Assistance - Military Forces	N/A	905,973
Total Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board		<u>\$ 3,847,953</u>
Total State Financial Assistance		<u>\$ 4,817,189</u>

#### NOTES TO SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS AUGUST 31, 2017

#### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state awards includes the state grant activity of El Paso County Community College District and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas Single Audit. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

#### 2. <u>AMOUNTS PASSED THROUGH BY THE COLLEGE</u>

None

#### 3. STATE ASSISTANCE RECONCILIATION

State Revenue - Per Schedule F

Per Schedule of Expenditures of State Awards	\$ 4,817,189
SGPD Awards from prior period set-asides	(84,350)
Non Operating State Revenue from Schedule C	 (954,951)
Total State Revenue per Schedule A	\$ 3,777,888



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### Board of Trustees El Paso County Community College District El Paso, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of El Paso County Community College District (the "College") as of and for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise El Paso County Community College District basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2017.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the El Paso County Community College District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the El Paso County Community College District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the El Paso County Community College District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given the limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the College's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Texas Public Funds Investment Act**

We have also performed tests designed to verify the College's compliance with the requirements of the Texas Public Funds Investment Act (the Act). The results of our testing disclosed no instances of non-compliance with the Act. However, providing an opinion on compliance with the Act was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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El Paso, Texas December 20, 2017



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND THE STATE OF TEXAS SINGLE AUDIT CIRCULAR

Board of Trustees El Paso County Community College District El Paso, Texas

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited El Paso County Community College District's (the "College") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") *Compliance Supplement* and the *State of Texas Single Audit Circular* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the College's major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017. The College's major federal and state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal and state programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the College's major federal and state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), and the *State of Texas Single Audit Circular* require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal or state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the College's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the College's compliance.

#### **Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program**

In our opinion, the College complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the year ended August 31, 2017.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of the College is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the College's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal and state program in order to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and State of Texas Single Audit Circular, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over compliance.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance of a federal or state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and State of Texas Single Audit Circular. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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December 20, 2017 El Paso, Texas

#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

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**Financial Statements** Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? yes X\_ no Significant deficiencies identified? \_\_\_\_\_yes <u>X\_\_\_</u> none reported Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? <u>\_\_\_\_yes\_X\_\_</u>no **Federal Awards** Internal Control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? <u>\_\_\_\_yes\_X\_\_\_</u>no Significant deficiencies identified? \_\_\_\_ yes <u>X\_\_\_</u> none reported Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in \_\_\_\_yes <u>X\_\_\_</u>no accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a)? Identification of major programs: CFDA Number(s) Name of Federal Program or Cluster 84.007; 84.033; 84.063; 84.268; **Student Financial Aid Cluster** 

**Migrant Education - College Assistance Migrant Program** 

### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017

# Federal Awards (Continued)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs: \$750,000						
Auditee qualified as low-	risk auditee?	<u>X</u> yes no				
State Awards						
Internal control over majo	r programs:					
Material weakness(es) identified?yesno						
Significant deficiencie	yesX none reported					
Type of auditor's report is	sued on compliance for major programs	<u>Unmodified</u>				
5	sed that are required to be reported in te of Texas Single Audit Circular?	<u>yes_X</u> no				
Identification of major pro	ograms:					
Grantor's Number	Name of State Program					
Texas Grant ProgramsTEOG ProgramSDFTexas Workforce Commission SDF grants						
	listinguish between Type A and Type B Pro	grams: \$300,000				
Auditee qualified as low-	risk auditee?	<u>X</u> yes no				

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#### EL PASO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017

#### Section II - Financial Statement Findings - None for both Federal and State Awards

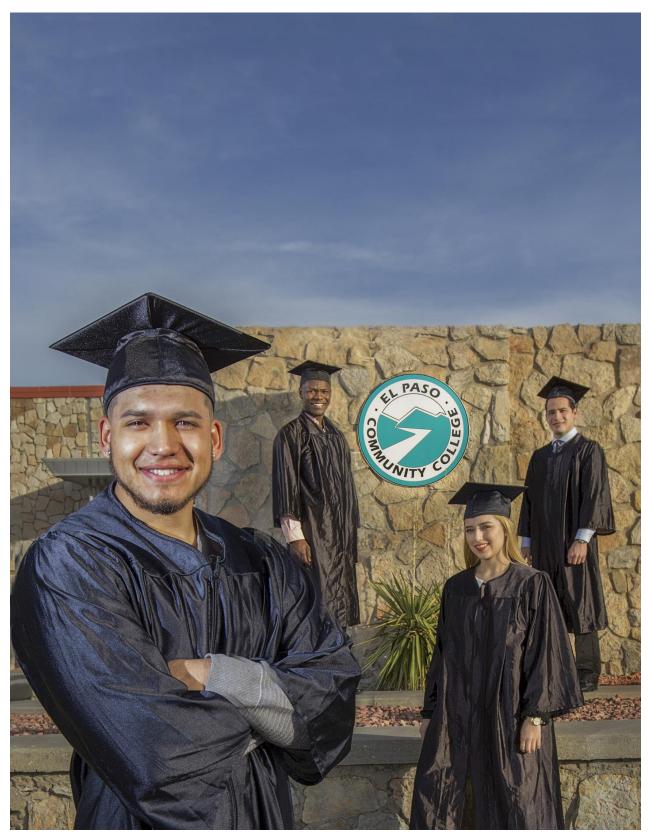
Section III - Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

For the year ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, no findings or questioned costs were noted.

Section III - State Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

For the years ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, no findings or questioned costs were noted.





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