## Bond Program Building Our Future



## FACT SHEET | Portland Community College Sylvania Campus September 2014





Left: The CC building's renovated lower mall has dramatically improved ADA accessibility and has installed better lighting, acoustics and signage. Right: The Answer Center is a one-stop shop where students can get answers on how to register for classes, complete their financial aid documents, pay their bills and obtain official transcripts.

## **OVERVIEW**

With the passage of the 2008 voter-approved capital construction program, PCC is able to invest \$64.6 million in improvements and upgrades at its Sylvania Campus. Open since 1968, Sylvania is the college's oldest and largest campus at 122 acres and one million square feet of building space.

Substantial renovations are planned for most of the buildings on the Sylvania Campus. These include seismic and technology upgrades, improved lighting and acoustics, and replacement of outdated or worn equipment, furniture, carpeting and other finishes. Significant energy upgrades, such as replacing the campus' central boiler system to increase efficiency and reduce the college's carbon footprint, will advance PCC's 2013 Climate Action Plan.

Overall, crews will renovate about 170,000 square feet of classroom, laboratory and office space, as well as build a 1,500 square-foot storage facility for the automotive building. The largest project is a modernization of nearly 75 percent of the College Center. The ring road which encircles the campus was completed to enhance accessibility in case of emergencies.

## CONSTRUCTION

Architect | GBD Architects

Construction Manager and General Contractor | Howard S. Wright

Howard S. Wright's employment of MWESB subcontractors are a result of the college's goal to reinvest bond dollars into the local economy, mentor smaller construction companies and spread work and opportunity to minority and women-owned businesses (MWESB). To date, the bond program has hired more than 500 MWESB firms.