

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE WEST KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT FUTURIS TRUST

## **AUGUST 2012**

The West Kern Community College District has established the Futuris Public Entity Investment Trust. This Trust is an IRS Section 115 Trust that is used for the purposes of investment and disbursement of funds irrevocably designated by the District for the payment of its obligations to eligible employees (and former employees) of the District and their eligible dependents and beneficiaries for life, sick, hospitalization, major medical, accident, disability, dental and other similar benefits (sometimes referred to as "other post-employment benefits," or "OPEB"), in compliance with governmental Accounting Statement Nos. 43 and 45.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) adopted Statements 43 and 45 for public sector employers to identify and report their Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liabilities. GASB Statements 43 and 45 establish uniform financial reporting standards for OPEB and improve relevance and usefulness of the reporting. In particular, the statements require systematic, accrual-based measurement and recognition of OPEB expenses over the employees' years of service as well as providing information regarding the progress being made toward funding the plan.

GASB 43 establishes uniform financial reporting standards for OPEB Plans, while GASB 45 establishes uniform financial reporting standards for Employers. Both of these standards provide instructions for calculating expenses and liabilities as well as requiring supplementary information schedules to be added to the year-end financial reports.

The District has created a Retirement Board of Authority consisting of District personnel to oversee and run the Futuris Trust. Benefit Trust Company is the qualified Discretionary Trustee for asset and fiduciary management and investment policy development. Keenan & Associates is the Program Coordinator for the Futuris Trust providing oversight of the Futuris program and guidance to the District.

The most recent annual financial statement for the Trust is available by clicking this <u>link</u>. This statement shows (as of the date of the statement) the total assets in the Trust, the market value, the book value, all contribution and distribution activity (including all fees and expenses associated with the Trust), income activity, purchase activity, sale activity, and realized gains and losses. Please note that the Trust is not itself an employee benefit plan. Rather, the assets in the Trust are irrevocably designated for the funding of employee benefit plans. You are being provided this information pursuant to California Government Code Section 53216.4.

For more information regarding the Futuris Public Entity Investment Trust, please contact the WKCCD Superintendent/President's Office at 661-763-7711.

Sincerely,

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