

Rock Valley College  
Community College District No. 511  
3301 North Mulford Road, Rockford, IL 61114

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Educational Resource Center, Performing Arts Room, Room 0214  
5:15 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, 2026

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## **AGENDA**

### **A. Call to Order**

### **B. Roll Call**

### **C. Board Member Attendance by Means Other than Physical Presence**

### **D. Communications and Petitions (Public Comment)**

### **E. Recognition of Visitors**

### **F. Review of Minutes:** Committee of the Whole, December 2, 2025

### **G. General Presentations**

1. Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit Report
2. DKA Architects – Downtown West

### **H. Teaching, Learning, and Communications Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Goldsmith**

1. 2026-2027 Revised Academic Calendar
2. 2027-2028 Academic Calendar
3. RVC and Hononegah Community High School District #207 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
4. Enrollment Update
5. Lobbyist Update

### **I. Finance Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Cardenas Cudia**

1. Purchase Reports (A and B)
2. FY2025 Financial Audit
3. FY2027 Capital Projects Request
4. FY2026 Fund Transfer Request
5. Cash and Investment Report

### **J. Operations Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Trojan**

1. Foundation Proposal to Add Position
2. Downtown West Quarterly Update
3. Classroom II Building (CLII) Update
4. Change Order Update
5. Solar Workstations
6. Personnel Report
7. Rock Valley College Events Calendar

### **K. Other Business:**

1. Unfinished Business
2. New Business

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**L. Adjourn to Closed Session** to discuss: 1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting per Section 2 (c)(1); and/or 2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees per Section 2 (c)(2); and/or 3) Litigation has been filed, is pending, or probable per Section 2 (c) (11), all in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

**M. Reconvene Open Session**

**N. Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting:** January 27, 2026, 5:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

**O. Next Committee of the Whole Meeting:** February 10, 2026, at 5:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) in the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

**P. Adjourn**

Paul Gorski, Board Chair

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
5:15 p.m. Tuesday, December 2, 2025**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

The Rock Valley College (RVC) Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting convened on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) in the Educational Resource Center (ERC). The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Board Chair Paul Gorski.

**Roll Call**

The following members of the Board of Trustees were present at roll call:

Mr. Paul Gorski

Dr. Jenna Goldsmith

Mr. Robert (Bob) Trojan

Ms. Kristen Simpson

Mr. John Nelson joined at 5:19 p.m.

Ms. Gloria Cardenas Cudia joined at 5:20 p.m.

Ms. Crystal Soltow

The following Trustees were absent from the roll call: Mr. Isiah Blake, Student Trustee; Mr. John Nelson, joined the meeting at 5:19 p.m.; and Ms. Gloria Cardenas Cudia, joined the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

Also present: Dr. Howard J. Spearman, President; Dr. Keith Barnes, Vice President of Cultural Excellence and Belonging; Ms. Ellen Olson, Vice President of Finance; Ms. Heather Snider, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness and Communications; Dr. Hansen Stewart, Vice President of Career and Technical Education and Workforce Development; Mr. Rick Jenks, Vice President of Operations; Dr. Terrica Huntley, Vice President of Human Resources; Ms. Ann Kerwitz, Assistant to the President; Ms. Carly Huotari, Assistant to the President; Ms. Tracy Luethje, Executive Assistant to the Vice President of Operations, Attorney Matthew Gardner, Robbins Schwartz.

**Board Member Attendance by Means Other than Physical Presence**

There were no Board Members attending by any other means.

**Communications and Petitions**

A letter was received from Faulk and Foster, on behalf of Total Energies, addressed to the Board of Trustees regarding community solar farms. The letter was passed along to President Spearman for evaluation by his staff.

**Recognition of Visitors**

There were no visitors to be recognized.

**Review of Minutes**

There were no comments on the minutes from the November 4, 2025, Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting.

**General Presentations**

There were no general presentations.

## **Teaching, Learning & Communications Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Goldsmith**

### **1. Enrollment Update**

Ms. Heather Snider, vice president of institutional effectiveness and communications, provided the enrollment figures for Fiscal Year 2026. Ms. Snider stated that RVC is ahead of FY2025, with Winterim 4% ahead of FY2025, 26% ahead of the budget, and 18% ahead of the stretch goal. Spring is 4% ahead of FY2025, 80% to budget, and 77% to the stretch goal. Combined terms (Winterim and Spring) are 5% ahead of FY2025, 95% to budget, and 91% to the stretch goal. Vice President Snider wanted to point out that since the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) has released its Enrollment Report, the College's monthly Enrollment Report and the ICCB's Fall Enrollment Report differ in two main ways:

- Timing: ICCB reports are a single point-in-time snapshot, while the College monitors Fall Enrollment throughout the entire semester due to late-start classes, and
- Inclusion of Adult Education: The ICCB report includes Adult Education, which the College's internal budget report does not.

Trustee Gorski requested a future, detailed discussion among the Board members to clarify and reach consensus on the appropriate metrics to use from various external and internal enrollment reports.

### **2. Lobbyist Update**

Vice President Snider highlighted two upcoming legislative events:

- Northern Illinois Council of Governments Legislative Luncheon that will take place on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the UMB Pavilion. Ms. Snider listed the regional legislators who will attend.
- RVC Legislative Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. in the Health Sciences Center (HSC) lobby. Ms. Snider stated that the purpose of the breakfast is to facilitate an open dialogue on RVC's shared priorities and to share RVC's initiatives with elected officials. The event is co-led by Dr. Litesa Wallace, RVC's lobbyist, and Jennifer Thompson, executive director of college communications. Discussion ensued.

### **3. Technology (Tech) Bus Update**

Dr. Hansen Stewart, vice president of career technical education and workforce development, presented an update on the Tech Bus, noting it has been a community service vehicle but lacks a revenue stream and has become costly to maintain. The bus has been in the shop frequently. The immediate inflection point is a \$34,000 quote for a transmission-related repair that the shop says is only 80% likely to resolve the issue. Dr. Stewart explained that over the past two years, the bus has served hundreds of people across several community locations. Dr. Stewart stated that the Administration proposes moving away from the current bus to a new mobile unit, likely a trailer, that would serve a dual function: community service and workforce development/short-term training to generate revenue. Dr. Spearman clarified that institutional funds would not be used; the Administration would seek grant funding to purchase and equip the new unit.

Considerable discussion ensued. Trustee Nelson addressed the issues and requested that his comments be included in the meeting minutes. Trustee Gorski stated that if Trustee Nelson wanted his remarks in the meeting minutes, Trustee Nelson would need to write them down at the end of the meeting and send them to Dr. Spearman first thing tomorrow morning.

Trustees suggested implementing a process to track whether individuals served by the mobile unit ultimately enroll at the College to better measure its marketing/revenue value. President Spearman confirmed the administration will pause the \$34,000 repair, conduct further research, detail the vision for the next mobile unit, and bring the fully researched proposal back to the Board for a discussion and decision.



#### 4. Multiple Measures of Placement (Based on Developmental Education Reform Act- DERA)

Dr. Mark Lanting, dean of communications and humanities, presented the Multiple Measures of Placement presentation on behalf of Dr. Amanda Smith, vice president of academic affairs, who was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Dr. Lanting explained that the goals are to include additional ways for students to satisfy requirements and to place into college-level courses, and that the biggest change is using high school grade point averages (GPAs) as a placement measure. Multiple measures include SAT, ACT, Accuplacer, High School GPA, GED, CASAS, EdReady (English), and ALEKS (Math). Dr. Lanting stated that the number of developmental courses required has been significantly reduced over the last three to four years and that a new approach is to implement a co-requisite support option for gateway courses (e.g., English 101 and gateway math courses). The co-requisite is for students who fall just below the placement threshold. The redesign is significantly improving student outcomes by addressing prior issues of losing confidence, dropping out, and exhausting their financial aid on non-credit courses. The next steps are to explore students' progress through the new pathways, continue monitoring data from the Institutional Research (IR) department, and review the curriculum to refine it where necessary.

#### **Finance Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Cardenas Cudia**

##### 1. Purchase Reports

Ms. Ellen Olson, vice president of finance, presented the purchase reports.

##### ***Purchase Report A – FY2026 Amendments***

###### A. Software – (IT Administration – Maintenance Services Software Support)

1.	<b>Hyland, LLC</b>	<b>Lenexa, KS</b>	<b>\$ 1,675.37*(1)</b>
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###### B. Professional Services – (Architect of Record – Other Contractual Services)

2.	<b>OPN, Inc.</b>	<b>Cedar Rapids, IA</b>	<b>\$ 200,000.00*(2)</b>
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##### ***Purchase Report B – FY2026 Purchases***

###### A. Proctoring Software – Subscriptions–Web Applications – Online Learning)

1.	<b>Honorlock, Inc.</b>	<b>Boca Raton, FL</b>	<b>\$ 26,390.91*(1)</b>
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###### B. Electric Vehicle – Capital Instructional Equipment/Furniture – Rev Up EV Grant)

2.	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00*(2)</b>
			<b>Not to Exceed</b>
	Hamblock Ford	Belvidere, IL	\$ 34,467.00
	Middleton Ford	Middleton, WI	\$ 36,722.00
	Huntley Ford	Huntley, IL	\$ 42,456.00

###### C. Scissor Lift – (Capital Service Equipment – Equipment Replacement

3.	<b>Atlas Toyota Material Handling</b>	<b>Elk Grove Village, IL</b>	<b>\$ 37,771.95*(3)</b>
	Yousuf Parekh Enterprises, Inc.	Sugarland, TX	\$ 44,734.94

###### D. Fire Alarm Upgrade – (Other Capital Outlay – PHS Fire Alarm Upgrade)

4.	<b>Morse Electric, Inc.</b>	<b>Freeport, IL</b>	<b>\$ 264,230.00*(4)</b>
			<b>Not to Exceed</b>
	P & H Electric Corp.	Stillman Valley, IL	\$ 275,000.00
	Miller Engineering Co.	Rockford, IL	\$ 303,050.00
	Helm Electric	Loves Park, IL	\$ 399,954.50

E. Contractual Services – (Other Contractual Services – Purchasing Card)

5.	<b>UMB Card Services</b>	<b>Kansas City, MO</b>	<b>\$ 740,000.00*(5)</b>
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F. Mechanical Services – (Maintenance Services Plant–Operations Equipment – Boiler House)

6.	<b>Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.</b>	<b>Harvard, IL</b>	<b>\$ 220,000.00*(6)</b>
			<b>Not to Exceed</b>
	<b>Preventive Maintenance Costs (13.01 Boiler and Chiller)</b>		
	Helm Service	Freeport, IL	\$ 23,978.00
	Geostar Mechanical, Inc.	Rockford, IL	\$ 29,800.00
	Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.	Harvard, IL	\$ 29,945.00
	Miller Engineering Company	Rockford, IL (Backflows only)	\$ 6,904.00
	<b>Roof Top Units (13.02)</b>		
	Helm Service	Freeport, IL	\$ 23,668.00
	Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.	Harvard, IL	\$ 30,310.00
	Miller Engineering Company	Rockford, IL	\$ 34,220.00
	LM Sheet Metal, Inc.	Loves Park, IL	\$ 48,120.00
	Geostar Mechanical, Inc.	Rockford, IL	\$ 54,500.00
	<b>Multistack and Liebert (13.03)</b>		
	Geostar Mechanical, Inc.	Rockford, IL	\$ 8,500.00
	Helm Services	Freeport, IL	\$ 10,492.00
	Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.	Harvard, IL	\$ 15,080.00
	<b>Estimated Annual Repair Costs per Hourly Rates</b>		
	Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.	Harvard, IL	\$ 93,700.00
	Geostar Mechanical, Inc.	Rockford, IL	\$ 98,500.00
	Helm Service	Freeport, IL	\$ 99,300.00
	<b>Total Estimated Annual Costs</b>		
	Helm Service	Freeport, IL	\$ 157,438.00
	Hartwig Mechanical, Inc.	Harvard, IL	\$ 169,035.00
	Geostar Mechanical, Inc.	Rockford, IL	\$ 191,300.00

## 2. Resolution Abating a Portion of the Working Cash Fund

Ms. Olson stated that RVC issued Working Cash Bonds, Series 2024, in the amount of \$14,700,000 that closed on November 18, 2024. The bond issuance was intended to fund alterations, remodeling, and equipment for District facilities, including Classroom Building II (CLII) and the Health Sciences Center (HSC). Administration is asking to permanently abate \$1,635,484.83 for capital expenditures incurred through November 5, 2025, associated with the HSC buildout. This action permanently reimburses operations from the Working Cash Fund. It was noted that the goal is to have the HSC elevator installed by the end of 2025.

### **3. Summary of Fiscal Year 2026 Estimated Revenues by Source**

The College is required to certify the estimated revenues by source for fiscal year 2026. Ms. Olson provided the sources with revenue amounts.

### **4. Tax Levy Year 2025 Estimated Taxes Required and Certificate of Compliance**

Ms. Olson explained that on October 28, 2025, the Board approved the estimated taxes required for the upcoming levy year. The total property taxes represent an increase in the amount of taxes extended and/or abated for the upcoming levy year by 6.50%; therefore, a Truth-In-Taxation Hearing in accordance with the Truth-In-Taxation Law. A Truth-In-Taxation Hearing will be held on December 16, 2025, at 5:15 p.m. A notice was published within 14 days of the Truth-In-Taxation Hearing. Discussion ensued.

### **5. Cash and Investment Report**

Ms. Olson presented the Cash and Investment Report through November 20, 2025. Total operating cash is \$33,467,870. Total operating cash and investments are \$108,741,119. The operating cash and investments have changed by <\$2,777,517> since October 31, 2025. Total capital funds are \$84,334,831. Since October 31, 2025, the change in capital funds has been <\$1,498,970.> Ms. Olson stated that the total operating cash and investment funds were 101.21% of the FY2026 operating budget.

### **Operations Discussion: Board Liaison Trustee Trojan**

#### **1. Downtown West Update**

Mr. Rick Jenks, vice president of operations, provided an update on construction at the Downtown West campus. Mr. Jenks stated that several change orders were presented as the project neared completion. The contingency use is slightly over 10% of the \$2.2 million contingency fund, and the project is over 50% complete, which is considered in “good standing.” A reconciliation change order in the amount of \$67,500 was required to address discrepancies between bid packages 4 and 5, a typical process for a project of this size. Dr. Spearman stated that if Trustees attend the December 17th legislative breakfast, they will have the opportunity to tour the HSC afterward. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Trojan inquired about the incident that happened on RVC’s main campus on Saturday, November 15, 2025, with the discovery of chemicals at the Karl J. Jacobs Center for Science and Math (JCSM). An update on the investigation will be provided at the next meeting.

#### **2. Change Order Update**

Vice President Jenks discussed the following change orders:

- Securities Upgrade – Phase 1: A change order in the amount of \$8,019.00 to Schneider Electric for waterbug sensors at the Springbrook House, and Support Services Building (SSB) wire and install for Bosch motion sensors.
- Health Sciences Center (HSC) 3rd Floor Buildout: In the process of closing out the project. The elevator installation should be completed by the end of December 2025.
- Exterior Tuckpointing: Unused funds in the amount of \$13,771.00 are being credited back to RVC.

#### **3. Personnel Report**

Vice President Jenks reported that there are four placeholders for faculty positions: one chemistry instructor, one English instructor, and two aviation maintenance technology instructors. Discussion ensued.

#### **4. RVC Events Calendar**

Mr. Jenks discussed the December 2025 RVC Events Calendar. Final exam week and graduation ceremonies were highlighted.

#### **New Business/Unfinished Business**

There was no new or unfinished business.

#### **Adjourn to Closed Session**

At 6:49 p.m., Trustee Nelson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Simpson, to adjourn to closed session to discuss: 1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting per Section 2 (c) (1); and/or 2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees per Section 2 (c) (2), all in accordance with the Illinois Open meetings Act.

The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Reconvene Open Session**

At 7:17 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Trojan, to adjourn the closed session and return to open session. The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote. No action was taken as a result of the closed session.

#### **Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting**

The next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 5:15 p.m., in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) of the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

#### **Next Committee of the Whole Meeting**

The next Committee of the Whole Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 5:15 p.m., in the Performing Arts Room (PAR, Room 0214) of the Educational Resource Center (ERC) on the main campus.

#### **Adjourn**

At 7:18 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Trojan, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

Submitted by: Tracy L. Luethje.

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Dr. Jenna Goldsmith, Secretary

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Paul Gorski, Chairman



# Initial Information Exhibit – Included in AIA Agreement

**Rock Valley College  
Downtown Campus**  
A/E Fee Proposal (Revised)  
August 17, 2023

## Project Assumptions

- Building Size:
  - Automotive Technology
  - Collision Repair
  - Electric Vehicle Program
  - Early Education
  - Human Services
  - General Education
  - Truck Driver Training
  - Police, Fire, FEMA Training
- Site Development Size:
  - Demolition of Existing Structures
  - Roadway Improvements
  - Utility Extensions
  - Parking
  - Outdoor Playground
  - Training Towers
  - Truck Driver Training
- Estimated Construction Cost (building + site):  
Actual Cost Estimate to be Determined

**Approx. 80,000 SF**  
(to be determined)

**110,140 SF Actual**  
**30,140 Variance**

**Approx. 4.4 acres**

**\$450 to \$500 per sf**

## A/E Fee Proposal

- **Proposed Basic Services Fee**
  - Site & Building:

**7.0% x Cost of Work**  
**(est. \$2,660,000)**  
**(80,000 sf x \$475)**

**\$38,000,000 Estimate**  
**\$44,680,461 Actual**  
**\$ 6,680,461 Variance**



### § 1.2

The Owner and Architect may rely on the Initial Information. Both parties, however, recognize that such information may materially change and, in that event, the Owner and the Architect shall, by subsequent written agreement, appropriately adjust the schedule, the Architect's services and the Architect's compensation.

### ARTICLE 11 COMPENSATION

§ 11.1 The Architect's total compensation (including Basic Services, Additional Services, and Reimbursements) under this Agreement shall not exceed Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) unless otherwise approved by the Board of Trustees at an open meeting.

*(Insert amount of, or basis for, compensation.)*

For the Architect's Basic Services described under Article 3, the Owner shall compensate the Architect as follows:

*(Paragraphs deleted)*

Percentage Basis

*(Paragraphs deleted)*

Seven percent (7.0) % of the Cost of the Work as calculated in accordance with Sections 6.1 and 11.6. Total Basic Services Fee shall be 7.0% times the approved Cost of the Work. The Cost of the Work shall include 80% of any alternate bids that are requested by the Owner to be included in the Construction Documents and not accepted by the Owner upon bidding.

§ 11.2 For Additional Services designated in Section 4.1, the Owner shall compensate the Architect as follows:

*(Insert amount of, or basis for, compensation. If necessary, list specific services to which particular methods of compensation apply.)*

- Additional Site Observation (64 additional site visits beyond 64 visits included within the Basic Services: \$92,000.00 (if needed and Not-to-Exceed)
- Community Engagement Sessions (4 total): \$21,000.00 Hourly, Not-to-Exceed
- Coordination with Authorities Having Jurisdiction (P.U.D. approvals): \$40,000.00 Hourly, Not-to-Exceed
- Acoustical Evaluation / Design: \$20,000.00 Hourly, Not-to-Exceed
- Foodservice Consulting Fee: \$35,000, Hourly, Not-to-Exceed
- Signage & Wayfinding Design: \$35,000.00 Hourly, Not-to-Exceed
- Furnishing Coordination (DKA): \$32,000 Lump Sum



*(Paragraphs deleted)*

## **ARTICLE 6 COST OF THE WORK**

**§ 6.1** For purposes of this Agreement, the Cost of the Work shall be the sum of (1) the average of all bids to construct all elements of the Project designed or specified by the Architect and shall include the Construction Managers' general conditions costs, overhead, and profit, (2) the actual cost of all additive change orders, and (3) deducting any unused contingency (which shall be applied through a deductive change order). The final Control Estimate of the Cost of Work shall also be used as one of the bids in computing the average to determine the Cost of the Work. The Cost of Work shall not, however, exceed the Control Estimate. To the extent the Project is not completed, the Cost of the Work shall be the Cost of the Work, as modified by any Change Orders then executed.. The Cost of the Work does not include the compensation of the Architect, the compensation of the Construction Manager for Preconstruction Phase services, the costs of the land, rights-of-way, financing, contingencies for changes in the Work or other costs that are the responsibility of the Owner. The Cost of the Work does not include Work for which the Architect has performed designs, specifications or drawings designs as an Additional Service. Instead, the Architect's sole compensation for Additional Services shall be the hourly rates or agreed upon fixed fee agreed in writing by the parties.

# RJC Design Development Cost Estimate

(Concerns Expressed Regarding Lack of Detail for Some Trades)

<b>C3020</b>	<b>Floor Finishes</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>4.10</b>	<b>223,308</b>			
	Carpet	6241 sf	6.30	39,318			
	Rubber Base	5660 lf	4.25	24,055			
	Ceramic Tile & Base	1450 sf	20.50	29,725			
	Quartz stone	176 sf	30.00	5,280			
	LVT	3338 lf	6.50	21,697			
	Sealed Concrete	36611 sf	1.58	57,662			
	Resinous Flooring	0 sf	10.00	0			
	Walk of Carpet	214 sf	25.00	5,350			
	Stair Treads	83 ea	180.00	14,940			
	Misc. & Dist. / Bid Factor / Schedule	1 ls	25,280.12	25,280			
<b>C3030</b>	<b>Ceiling Finishes</b>	<b>54415 sf</b>	<b>4.13</b>	<b>224,502</b>			
	ACT	14744 sf	7.25	106,894			
	Metal mesh panel	446 sf	50.00	22,300			
	Drywall Ceiling	2673 sf	15.23	40,696			
	2 Hour Shaft Wall	sf	15.75	0			
	Soffit Framing	1851 sf	15.00	27,765			
	Misc. & Dist. / Bid Factor / Schedule	1 ls	26,846.23	26,846			
<b>D</b>	<b>SERVICES</b>				<b>9,451,927</b>	<b>\$173.70</b>	
<b>D10</b>	<b>CONVEYING</b>				<b>140,000</b>	<b>\$2.57</b>	
<b>D2010</b>	<b>Elevators and Lifts</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>2.57</b>	<b>140,000</b>			
	Two Stop Elevator	1 ea.	140,000.00	140,000			
	Service Elevator	ea.		0			
<b>D20</b>	<b>PLUMBING</b>				<b>1,073,064</b>	<b>\$19.72</b>	
<b>D2010</b>	<b>Plumbing Fixtures</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>19.72</b>	<b>1,073,064</b>			
	Plumbing	54415 sf	19.72	1,073,064			
<b>D30</b>	<b>HVAC</b>				<b>4,353,200</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	
<b>D3010</b>	<b>HVAC &amp; Energy System</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>80.00</b>	<b>4,353,200</b>			
	HVAC and Energy System	54415 sf	80.00	4,353,200			
<b>D40</b>	<b>FIRE PROTECTION</b>				<b>197,536</b>	<b>\$3.63</b>	
<b>D4010</b>	<b>Fire Protection System</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>3.63</b>	<b>197,536</b>			
	Wet Fire Protection System	54415 sf	3.63	197,536			
	RPZ Valve 8" Valve	ea	7,500.00	0			
<b>D50</b>	<b>ELECTRICAL</b>				<b>3,688,128</b>	<b>\$67.78</b>	
<b>D5010</b>	<b>Electrical Service and Distribution</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>67.78</b>	<b>3,688,128</b>			
	Electrical	54415 sf	67.78	3,688,128			
	<b>COMMISSIONING, TESTING, and PERMITTING</b>				<b>199,870</b>	<b>\$3.67</b>	
	<b>Bonding</b>	<b>54,415 sf</b>	<b>3.67</b>	<b>199,870</b>	<b>199,870</b>	<b>\$3.67</b>	
	Payment and Performance Bonds	1.00% percent	199,870	199,870			

# RJC Design Development Cost Estimate (No Further Estimate was Provided Prior to Bidding)

Rock Valley College Downtown Campus				
100% Design Development Budget Estimate				
9/13/2024 Rev 1				
	Preliminary Estimate	RJC Budget 6/2/24		
	Owners Cost	Budget	Cost/sf	
1	Design Fee	\$3,000,000		
2	Owners FFE	\$3,300,000		
3	RJC (GR, Ins & Fee)	\$3,293,776		
4	Technology	\$650,000		
5	<b>Totals - Owners Costs</b>	<b>\$10,243,776</b>	<b>\$112.57 /sf</b>	
6				
7	<b>Site Enabling Costs</b>			
8	Utility Relocation	\$502,000	\$5.52 /sf	
9	Building Demolition	\$823,436	\$9.05 /sf	
10	Shoring		\$0.00 /sf	
11	Material Testing	\$200,000	\$2.20 /sf	
12	Abatement	\$461,300	\$5.07 /sf	
13	<b>Totals - Enabling Costs</b>	<b>\$1,986,736</b>	<b>\$21.83 /sf</b>	
14				
15	<b>Site Work</b>			
16	Site work	\$2,802,176	\$30.79 /sf	
17	P/P Bonds	\$32,785	\$0.36 /sf	
18	<b>Totals - Site works</b>	<b>\$2,834,962</b>	<b>\$31.15 /sf</b>	
19				
20	<b>CTE Building</b>	<b>Budget</b>		
21	Substructure	\$1,834,936	\$33.72 /sf	
22	Structure	\$1,886,293	\$34.66 /sf	
23	Envelope	\$3,304,205	\$60.72 /sf	
24	Interiors	\$2,518,276	\$46.28 /sf	
25	MEPFP	\$9,311,927	\$171.13 /sf	
26	P/P Bonds	\$199,870	\$3.67 /sf	
27	<b>Totals - CTE Building</b>	<b>\$19,055,508</b>	<b>\$350.19 /sf</b>	

# RJC Design Development Cost Estimate (No Further Estimate was Provided Prior to Bidding)

29	<b>Community Building</b>		<b>Budget</b>		
30	Substructure		\$720,296	\$19.69 /sf	
31	Structure		\$1,368,559	\$37.41 /sf	
32	Envelope		\$3,623,466	\$99.05 /sf	
33	Interiors		\$3,230,983	\$88.32 /sf	
34	MEPFP		\$6,299,643	\$172.20 /sf	
35	P/P Bonds		\$152,429	\$4.17 /sf	
36	<b>Totals - Community Building</b>		<b>\$15,395,377</b>	<b>\$420.82 /sf</b>	
37					
38	<b>Total Site and Building Costs</b>		<b>\$37,285,846</b>	<b>\$409.74 /sf</b>	
39					
40	<b>Project Contingency</b>		<b>\$3,951,500</b>	<b>\$43.42 /sf</b>	
41					
42					
43	<b>Total Project Costs</b>		<b>\$53,467,858</b>	<b>\$587.57 /sf</b>	
	<b>Owners Budget</b>		<b>\$52,165,970</b>		
	<b>Variance</b>		<b>-\$1,301,888</b>		



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**March 25, 2025**

**Educational Resources Center (ERC), Performing Arts Room (PAR) Room 0214**

**7. BR 8245 – Funding Increase for the Downtown West Construction Project**

The Board Report reads in part: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees authorizes the funding increase from \$52,165,970 to \$58,000,000 for the construction of the Rockford Downtown West Campus which consists of the Downtown Training Center and the Downtown Learning Center. **Attorney Reviewed.**

A motion was made by Trustee Gorski, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, to approve BR8245. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by majority roll call vote. Trustees Simpson, Gorski, Cudia, Kennedy, and Trojan voted yes. Student Trustee Mikos voted yes (advisory). Trustee Nelson voted no.

Board of Trustees **increased Project Budget by \$5,834,030** at  
March Regular Board Meeting



# Fee Calculation per Agreement Language

CONTRACTOR	BUILDING DEMOLITION	3.1 ELEVATOR	3.2 HVAC EQUIPMENT	3.3 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	4.1 SITEWORK	4.2 STRUCTURAL	5.1 MASONRY	5.2 GENERAL TRADES	5.3 MTL PANELS / INSULATION	5.4 ROOFING	5.5 CW & GLAZING	5.6 TILE	5.7 FLOORING & CARPET	5.9 FOODSERVICE
Contractor 1	\$823,436	\$282,900	\$3,804,800	\$390,000	\$3,986,950	\$6,911,000	\$1,596,500	\$4,009,711	\$1,700,000	\$1,480,197	\$2,696,000	\$258,863	\$448,496	\$153,926
Contractor 2		\$189,308	\$3,880,000	\$382,000	\$3,635,120		\$1,088,767	\$3,783,000	\$1,939,590	\$1,258,440	\$2,191,000	\$204,200	\$424,664	\$145,129
Contractor 3				\$355,185			\$948,000			\$2,317,000			\$655,500	
Contractor 4				\$382,790						\$1,238,857			\$676,903	
RJC COST ESTIMATE	\$1,050,000	\$340,000	not provided	not provided	\$2,712,432	\$7,182,514	\$754,598	\$5,210,062	\$1,271,286	\$1,380,118	\$2,221,608	\$203,000	\$460,013	not provided
AVERAGE	\$936,718	\$270,736	\$3,842,400	\$377,494	\$3,444,834	\$7,046,757	\$1,096,966	\$4,334,258	\$1,636,958.67	\$1,534,922	\$2,369,536	\$222,021	\$533,115	\$149,528
								\$3,584,000					\$399,826	

5.10 AUTO LIFTS	5.11 FIRE PROTECTION	5.12 PLUMBING	5.13 HVAC	5.14 ELECT / TECH	6.0 PAINT BOOTH EQUIPMENT	7.0 LANDSCAPING	TOTAL TRADE COSTS	RJC COSTS	TOTAL COST FOR FEE CALC	BASIC SERVICES FEE	ADDITIONAL SERVICES			ACTUAL ADD SERVICES
\$772,349	\$589,275	\$2,688,790	\$9,066,700	\$8,882,694	\$774,375	\$150,000					\$92,000	Site Observation	10%	\$9,200
											\$21,000	Community Engage.		\$21,000
\$1,066,850	\$340,728	\$2,082,000	\$9,467,000	\$9,422,494	\$636,500						\$40,000	PUD		\$40,000
											\$20,000	Acoustical		\$20,000
	\$216,062	\$1,670,396	\$10,236,400	\$8,571,414							\$35,000	Foodservice		\$35,000
											\$35,000	Signage	40%	\$14,000
		\$2,348,000		\$7,108,949							\$32,000	Furnishings	50%	\$16,000
	\$353,493	\$1,832,087	\$7,352,719	\$6,229,387	not provided	not provided						Misc.Additional Services (see below)		\$50,760
\$919,600	\$374,890	\$2,124,255	\$9,030,705	\$8,042,988	\$705,438	\$150,000	\$44,503,960	\$3,384,601	\$47,888,561	\$3,352,199				\$205,960
										\$205,960				
			\$5,224,300	\$6,685,700			\$41,295,860			\$3,558,159				
										7.0%				

ADDITIONAL SERVICES	Hours	Hourly Rate	Total Fee	
Re-Bid Paint Booths	48	\$200	\$9,600	
Re-Bid Auto Lifts	16	\$200	\$3,200	
Re-Bid Elevator	8	\$200	\$1,600	
Renderings to Show DLC Eliminated	8	\$170	\$1,360	
Re-grading to Raise DTC 3'-0"			\$35,000	Fehr Graham request
TOTAL			\$50,760	

Total A/E Fee Calculation: \$ 3,558,159

Initial Fee Amount per Agreement: \$ 3,000,000

Additional Fee Request: \$ 558,159



## DKA Fee Reconciliation



Dominick Demonica

To  Rick Jenks



4/6/2025



DKA Fee Reconciliation.xlsx  
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Good afternoon Rick!...I hope you're having a good weekend.

Now that the majority of bids have been received for the Downtown West Campus project, I wanted to begin a conversation with you regarding the reconciliation of our fees in accordance with what you, Matt, and I agreed to.

I have developed the attached spreadsheet for you to take a look at, and once you have, I would like to schedule a Teams meeting with you to review the numbers to make sure we are on the same page.

I know you have your hands full at the College, so there is no real rush with this, however, I would like to get things resolved before we send our next invoice for this project, if possible.

Thank you Rick.

Dominick

## Total Savings in Change Orders to Date

PCO	Description	Original cost	Final Cost	Savings
1	Temp fence at RHA parking		\$ 7,347.00	
2	Job site camera		\$ 20,100.00	
3	NISC scope removal -		\$ (5,377.27)	
4	Oil Separator	\$ 58,146.37	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 22,146.37
5	IFB vs. IFC sitework drawings		\$ 6,167.33	
6	Precast Insulation Credit		\$ (10,000.00)	
7	Struct ASI 001	\$ 22,714.31	\$ 9,704.90	\$ 13,009.41
8	DLC foundation vs storm sewer		\$ 2,565.00	
9	Unsuitable soils		\$ 5,915.00	
10	Structural Changes	\$ 79,670.80	\$ 67,416.64	\$ 12,254.16
11	Unsuitable soils		\$ 11,877.08	
12	UST removal		\$ 37,395.00	
13	DTC EV chargers		\$ (2,228.00)	
14	Com Ed. New Service Costs		\$ 9,326.00	
15	Floor Drain & Floor box elimination	\$ (1,801.80)	\$ (3,540.00)	\$ 1,738.20
16	PIC valves - both buildings		\$ 12,266.22	
17	Hand Dryers		\$ 2,473.00	
18	Contaminated Soils		\$ 2,670.41	
19	Contaminated Soils		\$ 4,416.00	
20	4 Rivers Fee		\$ 205.00	
21	DTC change cast iron to PVC		\$ (14,626.20)	
22	Pavers to concrete		\$ 1,539.75	
23	Mech and Elec updates	\$ 32,207.84	\$ 20,812.60	\$ 11,395.24
24	barrier curbs and ADA panels		\$ 840.23	
25	Chestnut entrance apron		\$ 12,294.64	
26	Temp fence revisions	\$ 2,574.00	\$ -	\$ 2,574.00
27	Fence Damage	\$ 2,059.20	\$ -	\$ 2,059.20
28	DTC hand dryers added		\$ 3,950.00	
29	ASI 006 - site lighting	\$ 18,579.00	\$ -	\$ 18,579.00
30	DTC rebar shops		\$ 3,138.00	
31	CM Fee			
32	Eliminate furring at DLC elec rooms		\$ (2,548.00)	
33	compressed air piping		\$ 18,036.43	
34	credit for phenolic panel		\$ (53,200.00)	
35	deduct VFD		\$ (28,886.00)	
36	ASI 010 - glass frit	\$ 2,886.00	\$ 1,182.00	\$ 1,704.00
37	Nicor Gas cleaves		\$ 4,803.90	
38	Storm sewer grade		\$ 8,551.25	
39	Relocate FHV cabinet		\$ 1,478.20	
40	ASI 002 - structural updates		\$ 21,032.78	
41	Partition door pockets	\$ 1,678.40	\$ -	\$ 1,678.40
42	ASI 12 - gas vent lines AT	\$ 5,237.05	\$ 3,973.42	\$ 1,263.63
43	ASI 002 masonry change	\$ 462.00	\$ 228.00	\$ 234.00
44	ASI 016 - exterior insulation		\$ 3,532.00	
45	ASI 015 - DTC gates		\$ 8,036.00	
46	tapered roof insulation	\$ 66,000.00	\$ -	\$ 66,000.00

47	Drawing reconciliation	\$ 30,982.79	\$ -	\$ 30,982.79
48	flush wood door veneer	\$ 9,400.51	\$ -	\$ 9,400.51
49	PIV valves		\$ 6,832.51	
50	F7 fixtures		\$ 780.00	
51	RFI 165 - cut down storm structures		\$ 2,625.00	
52	RFI 137 - open site drain at irrigation		\$ 703.33	
53	unsuitable bearing		\$ 29,629.63	
54	Interior bollards		\$ 5,754.14	
55	DTC precast planks		\$ 3,535.71	
56	hollow core plank support		\$ 718.37	
57	hollow core plank support		\$ 909.18	
58	Added roof mechanical curbs	\$ 13,682.65	\$ -	\$ 13,682.65
59	ASI 13 - Door revisions	\$ 14,686.69		
60	ASI 22 Terminal heat transfer units		\$ 3,906.25	
61	Bent plate at mechanical roof			
62	Deduct for cord reels	\$ (770.00)	\$ (1,943.00)	\$ 1,173.00
63	Chief box adds		\$ -	
64	Remove sheathing over cmu		\$ (1,484.00)	
65	Change DTC door color		\$ 9,378.00	
66	Com Ed		\$ 3,913.32	
67	Remove TV from DTC corridor		\$ 2,580.00	
68	DLC foundation height at precast	\$ 49,992.76		
69	vehicle lift control cabinets		\$ 2,716.23	
70	curtain wall n. side DLC		\$ 4,122.00	
71	spandrel detail	\$ 16,189.00		
72	DLC hand dryer		\$ 2,824.00	
73	F29 fixture		\$ -	
74	DTC CW base plate conflict		\$ 2,720.00	
75	EOD dimension at DTC	\$ 1,706.12		
76	Roof scupper DTC	\$ 5,905.65	\$ 4,535.00	\$ 1,370.65
77	DLC mechanical roof		\$ 2,350.00	
78	DLC - wrap steel		\$ 4,300.00	
79	E-stops	\$ 16,002.04		
80	DLC furring at classroom precast	\$ 5,900.00		
81	cleanout covers DTC		\$ 510.40	
82	CW support at head	\$ 59,827.59		
83	ASI 031 - gas to water heaters		\$ 6,975.55	
84	DLC elevator sump piping	\$ 2,263.34		
85	Boiler and water heater venting		\$ 1,102.50	

**Total Savings to Date as a Result of  
DKA Negotiations: \$211,245.21**



## Fee Reconciliation per **AGREEMENT LANGUAGE**

Average of All Bids Calculated per Article 6:	\$44,503,960
RJC Costs:	\$ 3,384,601
<b>Total Cost of the Work:</b>	<b>\$47,888,561</b>
A/E Basic Services Fee (7.0% x Cost of the Work):	\$ 3,352,199
Additional Services (authorized per Agreement):	\$ 155,200
<u>Additional Services (subsequent to Agreement):</u>	<u>\$ 50,760</u>
<b>Total A/E Fee Calculation:</b>	<b>\$ 3,558,159</b>
<u><b>Initial Fee Amount per Agreement:</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 3,000,000</b></u>
<b>Additional Fee Request:</b>	<b>\$ 558,159</b>

Total of All Low Bids:	\$41,295,860
RJC Costs:	\$ 3,384,601
<b>Total Cost of the Work:</b>	<b>\$44,680,461</b>
 A/E Basic Services Fee (7.0% x Cost of the Work):	 \$ 3,127,632
Additional Services (authorized per Agreement):	\$ 155,200
<u>Additional Services (subsequent to Agreement):</u>	<u>\$ 50,760</u>
 <b>Total A/E Fee Calculation:</b>	 <b>\$ 3,333,592</b>
 <u><b>Initial Fee Amount per Agreement:</b></u>	 <u><b>\$ 3,000,000</b></u>
 <b>Additional Fee Request:</b>	 <b>\$ 333,592</b>

**Additional Fee Request Based on Agreement Language:       \$   558,159**

**Additional Fee Request Based on Actual Bids:                         \$   333,592**

**Proposed Additional Fee (average of above):                         \$   445,875**

## Evaluation of **FEE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT**

<b>DKA Hours Spent to Date</b> (as of November 22, 2025):	<b>10,841 hours</b>
<b><u>Blended Hourly Rate</u></b> (\$280 high / \$97 low):	<b><u>\$170 per hour</u></b>
<b>DKA Fee Spent to Date:</b>	<b>\$1,842,970</b>
<b>Committed Consultant Fees:</b>	<b>\$1,444,000</b>
• IMEG (Structural/MEP/FP/Technology):	\$1,143,000
• Fehr Graham (Civil):	\$ 236,000
• Place Foundry (Community Engagement / Landscape):	\$ 36,000
• Cini Little (Foodservice):	\$ 29,000
<b>Total Fees Spent / Committed (as of November 22, 2025):</b>	<b>\$3,286,970</b>
<b>Anticipated Fees (from November 2025 to August 2026):</b>	<b>\$ 183,600</b>
• 9 months x 4 weeks x 30 hours per week x \$170 per hour)	
<b>Total Required Fee:</b>	<b>\$ 3,470,570</b>
<b><u>Initial Fee Amount per Agreement:</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,000,000</u></b>
<b>Additional Fee Required:</b>	<b>\$ 470,570</b>

# Thank you!





DEMONICA KEMPER ARCHITECTS

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January 6, 2026

Mr. Rick Jenks, Chief Operating Officer  
Rock Valley College  
3301 N. Mulford Road  
Rockford, Illinois 61114

Re: Rock Valley College  
New Downtown West Campus  
Architectural / Engineering Fee Reconciliation

Dear Mr. Jenks:

Pursuant to our recent discussions regarding the architectural / engineering fees associated with the development of the New Downtown West Campus for Rock Valley College, Demonica Kemper Architects (DKA) respectfully requests an adjustment to our total fee from **\$3,000,000 to \$3,445,875** based on the following terms of our Agreement and changes to the Initial Information upon which our Agreement was based:

- **November 2023**
  - Finalized B101 Agreement between RVC and DKA – General Contractor Version
- **April 2024**
  - Finalized B133 Agreement between RVC and DKA – Construction Manager Version
  - Assumptions for Scope of Work identified in Exhibit – A/E Fee Proposal Dated 8-17-23
    - **80,000 SF Building**
    - **Cost of the Work = \$475 per SF or \$38,000,000 total**
    - Basic Services Fee = 7% x \$38,000,000 = **\$2,660,000**
    - Additional Services = **\$275,000**
  - **Article 1.2** – States that if the Initial Information materially changes, the Architect's compensation shall be adjusted accordingly
  - **Article 11** – Compensation – States that the total fee **shall not exceed \$3,000,000 unless otherwise approved by the Board of Trustees**. This Article further states that the Basic Services Fee shall be based on 7.0% times Cost of the Work as defined in Article 6.
  - **Article 6** – Cost of the Work – Calculation for Cost of the Work Defined as an average of bids and the Control Estimate provided by RJC
- **December 2023 – January 2025**
  - Design / Documentation completed by DKA through (10) separate bid releases to accommodate the construction schedule
  - Cost estimates were completed by RJC at each milestone
  - DKA expressed numerous times throughout design process that we were concerned about cost estimates prepared by RJC due to lack of detail provided for various trades, specifically the MEP trades
  - DKA participated in value engineering at each milestone to meet the Project Budget per RJC / RVC direction
  - The last formal cost estimate prepared by RJC was dated September 13, 2024, and was completed at the end of the Design Development Phase. The estimated Cost of the Work was **\$41,403,058** which was approximately \$1,300,000 over the Project Budget. Additional value engineering in the amount of \$802,551 was incorporated to reduce the Project Scope to get closer to the Project Budget.
- **February 2025**
  - Final bids were received for the balance of all bid releases (except for the Auto Lifts and Landscaping)
  - Actual bids came in significantly higher than RJC's cost estimate and the original budget identified in the Exhibit included in the AIA Agreement





- Actual Cost of Work: **\$44,680,461**
  - RJC Design Development Cost Estimate: **\$40,600,507** (incl VE items)
  - Initial Assumption upon which the A/E Fee was based: **\$38,000,000**
- **March 2025**
  - A Budget Update was presented to the Board of Trustees at its COTW Meeting
  - The Board of Trustees approved an increase of **\$5,834,030** to the overall Project Budget recognizing the need for the additional work to meet the College's goals
- **April 2025**
  - Based on the bids approved by the Board of Trustees, DKA developed an analysis showing a revised fee amount of \$3,558,159 (**\$558,159** more than the initial \$3,000,000 indicated in Article 11 of the contract)
  - Calculation of the fee is based on the 7.0% times the Cost of the Work as defined in Article 6 of the contract
  - This analysis was forwarded to Rick Jenks on April 6, 2025 (9 months ago) for review and comment in an effort to reconcile the A/E fees as soon as possible
  - The College requested that DKA wait for the final two bids (Auto Lifts and Landscaping) before the fee is reconciled
- **DKA has proceeded in good faith over the past 9 months to work on the College's behalf during the construction of the project**
  - DKA has **saved the College approximately \$211,245** in change order requests to date based on our reviews of initial change orders submitted by RJC and has continued to work closely with RJC to address construction-related issues
- **While DKA firmly believes we are entitled to rely on the language within Articles 6 and 11 of the Agreement in order to calculate our final fee for the project, in the Spirit of Collaboration, we would offer to adjust the calculation for our proposed additional fee to be based on 7.0% times the average of the AVERAGE OF ALL BIDS as defined by Article 6 and the total ACTUAL BID AMOUNTS received per the below analysis:**

- **Fee Reconciliation per AGREEMENT LANGUAGE**

Average of All Bids Calculated per Article 6:	\$44,503,960
RJC Costs:	\$ 3,384,601
<b>Total Cost of the Work:</b>	<b>\$47,888,561</b>
 A/E Basic Services Fee (7.0% x Cost of the Work):	 \$ 3,352,199
Additional Services (authorized per Agreement):	\$ 155,200
<u>Additional Services (subsequent to Agreement):</u>	<u>\$ 50,760</u>
 <b>Total A/E Fee Calculation:</b>	 <b>\$ 3,558,159</b>
 <u>Initial Fee Amount per Agreement:</u>	 <u>\$ 3,000,000</u>
 <b>Additional Fee Request:</b>	 <b>\$ 558,159</b>

- **Proposed Fee Reconciliation based on ACTUAL BID AMOUNTS**

Actual Bid Amounts:	\$41,295,860
RJC Costs:	\$ 3,384,601
<b>Total Cost of the Work:</b>	<b>\$44,680,461</b>
 A/E Basic Services Fee (7.0% x Cost of the Work):	 \$ 3,127,632
Additional Services (authorized per Agreement):	\$ 155,200
<u>Additional Services (subsequent to Agreement):</u>	<u>\$ 50,760</u>



<b>Total A/E Fee Calculation:</b>	<b>\$ 3,333,592</b>
<u>Initial Fee Amount per Agreement:</u>	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>

<b>Additional Fee Request:</b>	<b>\$ 333,592</b>
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○ **Proposed Fee Reconciliation Offer based on AVERAGE OF ABOVE METHODOLOGIES**

Additional Fee Request Based on Agreement Language:	\$ 558,159
<u>Additional Fee Request Based on Actual Bids:</u>	<u>\$ 333,592</u>
<b>Proposed Additional Fee Request:</b>	<b>\$ 445,875</b>

We thank you for your consideration in evaluating our proposed fee adjustment, and we look forward to the successful completion of this important project for the College and your community!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dominick A. Demonica'.

Dominick A. Demonica, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP  
Principal



**Academic Calendar for 2026-2027 – Revised (January 27, 2026)**

**Background:** Rock Valley College is seeking approval to revise the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar approved by the Board of Trustees (BR #8228, 1/28/2025). This revision will reflect August 4, 2026, as the correct end date for the 2026 Summer Session, rather than July 30, 2026. This will ensure the Summer Session meets for 30 days, with the first four-week session including 15 days and the second four-week session including 14 days.

This calendar has been submitted as a full calendar, beginning with Summer Session 2026 and ending with Summer Interim 2027, to align with the fiscal and academic years.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves this revision to the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

# ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026-2027 – Revised (January 27, 2026)

### **2026 SUMMER SESSION**

#### **EIGHT-WEEK SESSION (30 days plus 2 final exam days)**

#### **FIRST FOUR-WEEK SESSION (15 days plus 1 final exam day)**

#### **SECOND FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 2 final exam days)**

June 15 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for First 4-week and 8-week Sessions of Session II  
June 19 (Friday) ..... No Classes/Campus Closed  
July 3 (Friday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 4 (Saturday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 9 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day for First 4-week classes of Session II  
July 13 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for Second 4-week Session of Session II  
August 4 (Tuesday) ..... End of Classes  
August 5 & 6 (Wednesday, Thursday) ..... Final Exams for Session II  
August 9 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

### **2026 FALL SEMESTER**

August 15 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
August 17 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
September 5, 6, 7 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday) ..... No Weekend Classes/College Closed  
September 8 (Tuesday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
November 25 (Wednesday) ..... Fall Recess/No Classes/College Open  
November 26, 27, 28, 29 (Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
December 4 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
December 5 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
December 7 – 12 (Monday–Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday & Weekend Classes  
December 13 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night  
December 24 – January 1 (Thursday - Friday) ..... No Classes/College Closed

### **2027 SPRING SEMESTER**

January 4 (Monday) ..... Offices Open  
January 8 (Friday) ..... Faculty Development Day/College Open  
January 9 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
January 11 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
January 18 (Monday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
March 6 – 12 (Saturday-Friday) ..... Spring Recess - No Weekday or Weekend Classes  
March 13 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Resume  
March 15 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Resume  
March 25 (Thursday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
March 26, 27, 28 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
May 1 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
May 7 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
May 8 (Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekend Classes  
May 10 – 14 (Monday–Friday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday Classes  
May 14 (Friday) ..... Commencement Exercises  
May 16 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

### **2027 SUMMER INTERIM**

#### **FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 1 final day)**

May 17 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin  
May 31 (Monday) ..... College Closed  
June 10 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day  
June 13 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night

*Deadlines vary for courses less than 16-weeks in length. Contact Records and Registration for specific dates.*

## ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026-2027 – Revised (January 27, 2026)

#### 2026 SUMMER SESSION

##### EIGHT-WEEK SESSION (30 days plus 2 final exam days)

##### FIRST FOUR-WEEK SESSION (15 days plus 1 final exam day)

##### SECOND FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 2 final exam days)

June 15 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for First 4-week and 8-week Sessions of Session II  
June 19 (Friday) ..... No Classes/Campus Closed  
July 3 (Friday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 4 (Saturday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 9 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day for First 4-week classes of Session II  
July 13 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for Second 4-week Session of Session II  
August 4 (Tuesday) ..... End of Classes  
August 5 & 6 (Wednesday, Thursday) ..... Final Exams for Session II  
August 9 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

#### 2026 FALL SEMESTER

August 15 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
August 17 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
September 5, 6, 7 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday) ..... No Weekend Classes/College Closed  
September 8 (Tuesday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
November 25 (Wednesday) ..... Fall Recess/No Classes/College Open  
November 26, 27, 28, 29 (Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
December 4 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
December 5 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
December 7 – 12 (Monday–Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday & Weekend Classes  
December 13 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night  
December 24 – January 1 (Thursday - Friday) ..... No Classes/College Closed

#### 2027 SPRING SEMESTER

January 4 (Monday) ..... Offices Open  
January 8 (Friday) ..... Faculty Development Day/College Open  
January 9 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
January 11 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
January 18 (Monday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
March 6 – 12 (Saturday-Friday) ..... Spring Recess - No Weekday or Weekend Classes  
March 13 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Resume  
March 15 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Resume  
March 25 (Thursday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
March 26, 27, 28 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
May 1 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
May 7 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
May 8 (Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekend Classes  
May 10 – 14 (Monday–Friday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday Classes  
May 14 (Friday) ..... Commencement Exercises  
May 16 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

#### 2027 SUMMER INTERIM

##### FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 1 final day)

May 17 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin  
May 31 (Monday) ..... College Closed  
June 10 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day  
June 13 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night

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**Academic Calendar for 2027-2028**

**Background:** Rock Valley College is seeking approval for the 2027-2028 Academic Calendar. The College is submitting a full calendar, beginning with Summer Session 2027 and ending with Summer Interim 2028, to align with the fiscal and academic years.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the 2027-2028 Academic Calendar.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: 

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

# ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2027-2028

### **2027 SUMMER SESSION**

**EIGHT-WEEK SESSION (29 days plus 2 final exam days)**

**FIRST FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 1 final exam day)**

**SECOND FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 2 final exam days)**

June 14 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for First 4-week and 8-week Sessions of Session II  
June 18 (Friday) ..... No Classes/Campus Closed  
July 3 (Saturday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 5 (Monday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
July 8 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day for First 4-week classes of Session II  
July 12 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin for Second 4-week Session of Session II  
August 3 (Tuesday) ..... End of Classes  
August 4 & 5 (Wednesday, Thursday) ..... Final Exams for Session II  
August 8 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

### **2027 FALL SEMESTER**

August 14 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
August 16 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
September 4, 5, 6 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday) ..... No Weekend Classes/College Closed  
September 7 (Tuesday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
November 24 (Wednesday) ..... Fall Recess/No Classes/College Open  
November 25, 26, 27, 28 (Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
December 3 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
December 4 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
December 6 – 11 (Monday–Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday & Weekend Classes  
December 12 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night  
December 24 – January 2 (Friday-Sunday) ..... No Classes/College Closed

### **2028 SPRING SEMESTER**

January 3 (Monday) ..... Offices Open  
January 14 (Friday) ..... Faculty Development Day/College Open  
January 15 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Begin  
January 17 (Monday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
January 18 (Tuesday) ..... Weekday Classes Begin  
March 11 – 17 (Saturday-Friday) ..... Spring Recess - No Weekday or Weekend Classes  
March 18 (Saturday) ..... Weekend Classes Resume  
March 20 (Monday) ..... Weekday Classes Resume  
April 13 (Thursday) ..... Faculty & Staff Development Day/No Classes/Offices Closed  
April 14, 15, 16 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) ..... No Classes/College Closed  
May 6 (Saturday) ..... End of Weekend Classes  
May 12 (Friday) ..... End of Weekday Classes  
May 13 (Saturday) ..... Final Exams for Weekend Classes  
May 15 – 19 (Monday–Friday) ..... Final Exams for Weekday Classes  
May 19 (Friday) ..... Commencement Exercises  
May 21 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due By 11:59pm Sunday Night

### **2028 SUMMER INTERIM**

**FOUR-WEEK SESSION (14 days plus 1 final day)**

May 22 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin  
May 29 (Monday) ..... College Closed  
June 15 (Thursday) ..... Final Exam Day  
June 18 (Sunday) ..... Grades Due by 11:59pm Sunday Night

*Deadlines vary for courses less than 16-weeks in length. Contact Records and Registration for specific dates.*

**2026 Community & Continuing Education Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)  
Between  
Hononegah Community High School District #207 and Rock Valley College**

**Background:** Rock Valley College (RVC) Community & Continuing Education (CCE) provides non-credit personal enrichment, professional development, and workforce training opportunities designed to support lifelong learning and community engagement throughout the region. To expand access to these programs, Community & Continuing Education may use off-campus facilities to deliver select courses.

Community & Continuing Education has worked with Hononegah Community High School District #207 to offer residential construction classes in Rockton. These classes have proven successful, and their continuation benefits the Community & Continuing Education programs and community members.

The agreement includes provisions on student prescreening, insurance, indemnification, confidentiality of student records, and compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title IX, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and the Illinois School Student Records Act (ISSRA). Rock Valley College will pay an hourly facility rental fee of \$25 per course hour, which will be recouped through student course fees, resulting in a revenue-neutral arrangement.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Rock Valley College Board of Trustees approves the Community & Continuing Education Memorandum of Understanding between Rock Valley College and Hononegah Community High School District #207, beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026. **Attorney Reviewed.**

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Attachments: Community & Continuing Education Memorandum of Understanding between Hononegah Community High School District #207 and Rock Valley College

**Community & Continuing Education  
Memorandum of Understanding between  
Rock Valley College and Hononegah Community  
High School District 207**

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025 between Hononegah Community High School District 207 ("School District"), located at 307 Salem Street, Rockton, Illinois and Rock Valley College ("RVC" or "the College"), located at 3301 N. Mulford Road, Rockford, IL 61114 (collectively, the "Parties").

WHEREAS, Hononegah Community High School and Rock Valley College share a commitment to supporting lifelong learning and community engagement. This collaboration provides accessible, high-quality learning opportunities for individuals of all ages while maximizing the use of local educational facilities for public benefit.

WHEREAS, School District and the College have come together to provide non-credit personal enrichment, professional development, and workforce training courses for community members at Hononegah High School facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement to facilitate course access and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties herein desire to enter into an Agreement setting forth the services and guidelines to be provided and followed by each Party.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed by and between the Parties as follows:

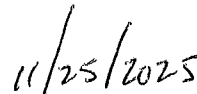
1. School District and Rock Valley College will make available to eligible students participating in Community & Continuing Education certain agreed upon enrichment, professional development, and workforce training courses.
2. All Community & Continuing Education classes shall be taught by qualified and approved School District instructors.
3. It is further agreed upon by the Parties that the School District will:
  - a. Make classrooms or other approved facilities available for scheduled CCE classes.
  - b. Provide safe, clean, and ADA-accessible facilities suitable for instruction.
  - c. Ensure instructors and students can access the facility no less than 15 minutes before the scheduled class time.
  - d. Designate a staff contact to assist with facility scheduling, emergencies, and evening access.
  - e. Provide a Certificate of Insurance (COI) listing Rock Valley College as an additional insured.
  - f. Provide an invoice for the cost of actual classroom usage.
  - g. Notify RVC promptly of any schedule conflicts or building closures.

4. It is further agreed upon by the Parties that the College will:
  - a. Recruit, screen, and compensate qualified instructors for all non-credit courses.
  - b. Oversee course registration, student records, and fee collection.
  - c. Inform instructors and students of the requirement to register with Raptor School Visitor Management System prior to the first day of class.
  - d. Inform instructors of District facility and safety policies.
  - e. Provide a Certificate of Insurance (COI) listing Hononegah Community High School District 207 as an additional insured.
  - f. Pay an hourly rental fee of \$25 per course hour for actual facility use, with this cost recouped through additional student course fees.
  - g. Communicate course schedules, setup needs, and any cancellations in advance.
  - h. Maintain all required compliance and indemnifications standards.
5. It is further agreed that both Parties will:
  - a. Maintain comprehensive general liability insurance and provide updated COIs annually.
  - b. Indemnify and hold the other harmless from claims or damages arising out of its own acts, omissions, or negligence in connection with this Agreement.
  - c. Comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, including ADA and Title IX.
  - d. Retain responsibility for its own employees, contractors, and volunteers.
  - e. Be able to terminate this MOU with 30 days' written notice.
6. It is further agreed that both Parties will:
  - a. In carrying out its respective obligations under this Agreement, maintain the confidentiality of all personally identifiable information concerning the students enrolled in community and continuing education courses, and shall adhere to all applicable federal, State, and local laws, rules and regulations now in effect or later adopted relating to the confidentiality of student records and information, including but not limited to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, and Illinois School Records Act ("ISSRA"), 105 ILCS 10/1 et seq. with regard to the education records/school student records and information to which a Party and/or its employees shall be granted access under this Agreement, that Party and its employees shall be deemed "school officials" with legitimate educational interests in such records and information. The Party and its employees shall have the right to access and use such records and information solely for the purpose of performing the Party's obligations under this Agreement. The Party and its employees shall not redisclose personally identifiable student information that is received under this Agreement to any third party, except as directed or permitted by the other Party, or as required by law. Each Party shall have in place reasonable policies and procedures, which the other Party may monitor or audit upon request and with reasonable notice, to prevent such redisclosure.



7. This agreement will be in effect January 1, 2026, and end on December 31, 2026.

  
High School Superintendent

  
Date

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Rock Valley College President

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Board of Education

  
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## FY2026 Enrollment Update

Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole – January 13, 2026

Term	Unduplicated Headcount				Credit Hours				Budget		Stretch	
	FY2025	FY2026	Change	% Change	FY2025	FY2026	Change	% Change	Budget	% to Budget	Goal	% to Goal
Summer II	1,857	2,180	323	17.39%	8,236	9,561.5	1,325.5	16.09%	7,900	121%	8,200	117%
Fall	5,651	5,954	303	5.36%	52,503.5	54,613	2,109.5	4.02%	52,400	104%	54,600	100%
<b>Subtotal (Summer II + Fall)</b>	<b>7,508</b>	<b>8,134</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>8.34%</b>	<b>60,739.5</b>	<b>64,174.5</b>	<b>3,435</b>	<b>5.66%</b>	<b>60,300</b>	<b>106%</b>	<b>62,800</b>	<b>102%</b>
Winterim	460	434	-26	-5.65%	1,633	1,522	-111	-6.80%	1,400	109%	1,500	101%
Spring	4,526	4,980	454	10.03%	44,255.5	46,827	2,571.5	5.81%	48,800	96%	51,000	92%
<b>Subtotal (Summer II + Fall + Winterim + Spring)</b>	<b>12,494</b>	<b>13,578</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>8.68%</b>	<b>106,628</b>	<b>112,523.5</b>	<b>5,895.5</b>	<b>5.53%</b>	<b>110,500</b>	<b>102%</b>	<b>115,300</b>	<b>98%</b>
Summer I	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4,500	--	4,700	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>115,000</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>120,000</b>	<b>--</b>

Sources: Summer II Enrollment Ticker (Final 08/05/25), Fall Enrollment Ticker (Final 12/06/25), Winterim, and Spring Enrollment Tickers (01/02/26)

### Important Dates:

- Summer II (8-Week & First 4-week) classes began, Monday June 16. Second 4-week session began Monday, July 14. Summer II classes ended Tuesday, August 5.
- Fall classes began Saturday, August 16. Fall classes ended Saturday, December 4.
- Winterim and Spring registration opened Monday, October 13.
- Winterim classes began Saturday, December 13.
- Winterim classes end Wednesday, January 7.
- Spring tuition was due Tuesday, December 8.
- Spring classes begin Saturday, January 10.

**Purchase Report-A - FY2026 Amendments**

Recommendation: Board approval for items marked with an asterisk

A. Tuckpointing Turret Repair – (Other Capital Outlay – Bridge Turrets)

**Mike Harris Mason Contractor**

**Rockford, IL**

**\$40,000.00\*(1)**

**Not to Exceed**

1. This increase is to cover additional costs for the tuckpointing repairs and reconstruction of the damaged turret on the pedestrian bridge, as specified in Bid #25-23 Tuckpointing Phase 2 – Turret. During demolition and restoration, unforeseen conditions were identified, requiring additional reconstruction of the stair landing and adjacent wall. This amendment is for a not to exceed amount.

Original approved amount	\$257,280.00
Increase requested	\$ 40,000.00
New total expenditure	\$297,280.00 Not to Exceed

FY2026 Capital Expense

Original Board Report BR #8320-B

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Purchase Report-B - FY2026 Purchases**

Recommendation: Board approval for items marked with an asterisk

A. Downtown West Workbenches – (Instructional Equipment/Furniture – Downtown West Project)

<b>Beacon Equipment Resources</b>	<b>Houston, TX</b>	<b>\$300,000.00*(1)</b> <b>Not to Exceed</b>
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1. This expense is for new Shure Manufacturing workbenches and shop storage solutions for the Automotive and Collision Repair programs at the Downtown West location. Bid #25-29-D10 Workbenches for Downtown Campus received one (1) response, which was opened on December 3, 2025. Beacon Equipment Resources' submittal for the specified equipment totaled \$286,271.90, and this request includes a contingency of \$13,728.10 for additional parts. The vendor's references all gave highly positive feedback during the vendor vetting process. This purchase includes the manufacturer's lifetime warranty and is a not to exceed.

FY2026 Capital Expense

B. Support Services – (Other Contractual Services – General Institution Exp)

<b>ReUp Education Inc.</b>	<b>Austin, TX</b>	<b>\$60,000.00*(2)</b> <b>Not to Exceed</b>
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2. This expense is for fiscal year 2026 services to re-engage RVC's stop-out population—students whose last date of attendance was more than two years ago and up to 20 years ago. The goal is to help these students prepare for re-enrollment and provide support after they return, enabling them to successfully complete additional coursework, certificates, and degrees. This initiative, delivered through the College's partnership with ReUp Education, as established by Board Report BR8240 on February 25, 2025, is designed to increase enrollment among regional adult learners, improve persistence, retention, and completion rates, and recoup tuition revenue for the institution.

*This is exempt from Bid under the Illinois State Statute (110 ILCS 805/3-27.1)*

*Exemption A: Contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part.*

FY2026 Budgeted Expense

**Purchase Report-B - FY2026 Purchases****C. Professional Services – (Other Contractual Services – Institutional Research & Planning)**

<b>Region 1 Planning Council</b>	<b>Rockford, IL</b>	<b>\$40,000.00*(3)</b>
		<b>Not to Exceed</b>

3. This expense covers two projects. The first is an Economic Impact Analysis that will include RVC's return on investment for students and the district. Region 1 Planning Council staff will conduct research, analyze data, and prepare the report. The second project is grant writing services for the FY26 Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) grant application to support RVC's artificial intelligence center. These services include developing the grant narrative and budget. RVC will be charged an hourly rate for these services, with the total not to exceed \$40,000.

*This is exempt from Bid under the Illinois State Statute (110 ILCS 805/3-27.1)*

*Exemption A: Contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part.*

FY2026 Budgeted Expense

**D. Wireless Access Point Equipment – (Capital Service Equipment – Equipment Replacement)**

<b>Entre Computer Solutions</b>	<b>Machesney Park, IL</b>	<b>\$290,000.00*(4)</b>
		<b>Not to Exceed</b>

Telesource Service, Inc.	Bolton, MA	\$437,411.81
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4. This expense is for the hardware and equipment necessary to upgrade the wireless access points across all College locations. The existing equipment is nearing the end of its life and needs to be replaced. RFP #25-33 Wireless Access Point Equipment received two (2) responses, which were opened on December 18, 2025. Entre Computer Solutions submitted the lowest responsible proposal in the amount of \$276,476.37. This request includes a contingency of \$13,523.63 to cover potential additional equipment needs. This is a not to exceed.

FY2026 Capital Expense

**Purchase Report-B - FY2026 Purchases****E. Commencement Regalia – (Other Contractual Services – Graduation & Commencement)**

<b>Herff Jones, LLC</b>	<b>Indianapolis, IN</b>	<b>\$28,822.70*(5)</b> <b>Not to Exceed</b>
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Jostens	Owatonna, MN	\$29,329.30
Graduation Source	Greenwich, CT	\$30,822.00
Oak Hall Cap and Gown	Salem, VA	\$35,909.75

5. This expense is for commencement regalia and diploma covers for graduates and rental regalia for faculty. Bid #25-31 Commencement Regalia received four (4) responses, which were opened on December 12, 2025. Herff Jones, LLC. was the lowest responsible bidder. This is year one (1) of a three-year contract and is a not to exceed.

FY2026 Budgeted Expense

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Fiscal Year 2025 Audit  
Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

**Background:**

Pursuant to Section 3-22.3 of the Illinois Community College Act, each district is required to have an external audit performed at the end of their fiscal year. The College's Fiscal Year 2025 audit was conducted by the independent auditing firm of Sikich, LLP, and was presented at the College's Committee of the Whole meeting on January 13, 2026.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees accepts the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit prepared by the independent auditing firm of Sikich, LLP.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees



**Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Capital Project Requests**

**Background:** Below is a list of items or projects that require capital or other expenses. Funding for these items will come from transfers from the operations fund to the capital fund or from other listed funding sources. Transferring funds will allow purchases of new items, continued repairs, or system upgrades.

**Fleet**

Item	Justification	Amount Requested	Funding Source
Minivan to replace #34 Plant, Operations, and Maintenance (POM)	Replacing the 2008 E150 van.	\$40,000	RVC Capital
Ford Ranger to replace #35 Advanced Technology Center (ATC)	Trading in the 2013 Ford Fusion.	\$40,000	RVC Capital
Minivan to replace #36 POM fleet	Trading in the 2013 Ford Fusion.	\$40,000	RVC Capital
	<b>The cost is an estimate and may differ upon final ordering due to supply/demand issues.</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	

**Service Equipment / Equipment**

Item	Justification	Amount Requested	Funding Source
16' trailer with roller kit mower	Replace a 2000 T20 12' pull-behind mower.	\$50,000	RVC Capital
85' boom lift	New to RVC. This will replace \$25,000 in annual rental expenses.	\$150,000	RVC Capital
Add a third generator	This will add a third generator at the Boiler House. This has a 7-year return on investment and will generate revenue for the college for years after the project is paid off.	\$2,600,000	RVC Capital
Dump truck with plow, spreader, etc.	This will replace a 2007 International plow.	\$180,000	RVC Capital
Toolcat (w/trade-in) to replace T15	Will replace the skidster 2009 case; this will be used more during the summer months.	\$90,000	RVC Capital
Sprayer attachment for the new Toro UDX to replace the sprayer for the T28	Multipro sprayer attachment with hose reel, boss snow blade, harness, controller, and mount to use on the new UTX vehicle. The spray attachment will replace RVC's Toro sprayer.	\$40,000	RVC Capital
Toro Workman HDX to replace T28	This equipment will replace the Toro Multipro turf sprayer, model 2001.	\$60,000	RVC Capital
24' open trailer to replace trailer #14	Will replace the 2014 flatbed trailer.	\$15,000	RVC Capital
Zero-turn mower to replace T3	This will replace a 2015 Toro Z master.	\$18,000	RVC Capital
	<b>The cost is an estimate and may differ upon final ordering due to supply/demand issues.</b>	<b>\$3,203,000</b>	

**Buildings**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Justification</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Boiler House emergency boiler replacement</b>	This is to replace capital funding used for the emergency installation of a boiler in the Boiler House building.	\$350,000	RVC Capital
<b>Bengst Sjostrom Theatre (BST) handrails/ lower seating area</b>	This is to improve the handrails at the BST. These handrails were never installed, creating accessibility issues for patrons.	\$80,000	RVC Capital
<b>Stenstrom Student Center (SSC) Atrium Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) stage</b>	This is to create an ADA accessible stage in the SSC Atrium. Many functions take place in the SSC Atrium, and the stage should be ADA-compliant.	\$250,000	RVC Capital
<b>Performing Arts Room (PAR) A/V upgrade</b>	This funding will continue the PAR technology upgrade to enhance our ability to broadcast meetings and events.	\$100,000	RVC Capital
<b>Replace the SSC air handling unit</b>	This unit is over 60 years old and was not replaced during the building's upgrade.	\$1,000,000	RVC Capital
<b>Replace the gym floor</b>	Setting aside money to save for the replacement of the gym floor in the Physical Education Center (PEC).	\$345,000	RVC Capital
<b>Wireless access points</b>	The access points used by RVC are nearing the end of their useful life and require replacement. This is part of the IT security upgrade project.	\$300,000	RVC Capital
<b>Additional security upgrades</b>	This funding supports the continued replacement of card access and alarm systems that have reached the end of life.	\$800,000	RVC Capital
<b>Repair the SSC bridge pipes</b>	This funding will be used to replace rusted heating and air-conditioning pipes discovered during the tuckpointing project. The pipes feed the SSC, PEC, and Woodward Technology Center (WTC).	\$250,000	RVC Capital
	<b>The cost is an estimate and may change upon final ordering due to supply/demand issues.</b>	<b>\$3,475,000</b>	

**Parking Lots, Roadways, Walkways, and Grounds**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Justification</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Parking lot/outdoor asphalt</b>	These funds will be used to replace and upgrade parking lot 7. This includes creating an ADA-compliant bus stop in front of the Karl J. Jacobs Center for Science and Math (JCSM) and installing a road through Lot 7 to allow the bus to exit campus.	\$1,500,000	RVC Capital
	<b>The cost is an estimate and may change upon final ordering due to supply/demand issues.</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	RVC Capital

## Other Capital Requests

<b>Architect and engineering fees</b>	An architect or engineer will be needed to process all FY2027 capital requests.	\$600,000	RVC Capital
<b>Classroom technology upgrades</b>	This is additional funding to improve the classroom technology. The administration is currently working with faculty to identify areas for improvement.	\$200,000	RVC Capital
<b>Life cycle replacements</b>	This is the continuation of the lifecycle replacement of IT equipment to improve our technology and enhance security.	\$800,000	RVC Capital
	<b>The cost is an estimate and may change upon final ordering due to supply/demand issues.</b>	<b>\$1,600,000</b>	
			<b>RVC capital \$9,898,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL REQUEST</b>	<b>\$9,898,000</b>	

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Rock Valley College Board of Trustees approves the use of Fund 03 Capital funds for the above-described projects.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Fiscal Year 2026 Fund Transfer Request****Background:**

The Board Policy 5:10.160 – Operating Fund Balance goal is to establish and maintain an operating fund (education fund and operations and maintenance fund) balance of thirty-five to fifty percent of the following year's budgeted expenses. The College's Fiscal Year 2025 revenues exceeded expenses by \$18,370,614, bringing the Operating Fund Balance (Funds 01 and 02) to \$41,304,561.

Below is a request to transfer funds from Operating Funds (Funds 01 and 02) for various strategic initiatives. The total request below will maintain a 40.14% balance.

Fund 19 – Other Post Benefit (OPEB) Fund	\$1,000,000
Fund 05 – Auxiliary Fund	\$2,000,000
Fund 03 – Operations and Maintenance (Capital)	\$10,000,000
Fund 18 – Employee Benefits	\$2,000,000
Total Transfer from Fund 01 – Operating Fund	\$15,000,000

These transfers will allow the College to strategically plan for the future:

- Other Post Employment Benefit liability total funded by transfers will be \$13,500,000. The College's liability is approximately \$9,458,979 for its proportionate share of the total OPEB liability. The OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. In Fiscal Year 2022, the estimated liability was \$23,869,032. The reduction between Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 was the direct result of a change in the discount rate used to calculate the present value, which changed from 1.92% to 3.69%, based on the tax-exempt municipal bond rate index of general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating. The \$1,000,000 is to maintain the College's conservative process to protect itself against a potential liability.
- Supplement the Auxiliary Fund 05, which includes Athletics, Starlight Theatre, Community Education, Continuing Education, and Center for Learning in Retirement.
- Current capital needs

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approves the College administration to allocate \$15,000,000 from Operating Funds for the above strategic initiatives.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Board of Trustees

**ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE**  
Cash and Investment Report  
December 31, 2025

	<u>Month End Balance</u>
<u>Operating Cash Accounts</u>	
Illinois Bank & Trust	3,327,110
PMA Operating Cash	11,733,807
Petty Cash	3,774
ISDLAF*	13,180,401
Total Operating Cash:	<u>28,245,093</u>
<u>Operating Investments Accounts</u>	
PMA Operating	44,391
ISDLAF*	48,391
CD's and CDARS	58,624,230
Treasuries	8,436,344
ISDLAF Term Series	8,500,000
Total Operating Investments:	<u>75,653,356</u>
<b>Total Operating Cash &amp; Investments:</b>	<b><u>103,898,449</u></b>

<b>Total Operating Cash and Investments on November 30, 2025</b>	<b><u>107,480,877</u></b>
<b>Total Operating Cash and Investments on December 31, 2025</b>	<b><u>103,898,449</u></b>
<b>Total Operating Cash and Investments on December 31, 2024</b>	<b><u>97,836,468</u></b>
<b>% of Operating Budget</b>	<b><u>96.70%</u></b>
<b>Change in Operating Cash and Investments since November 30, 2025</b>	<b><u>(3,582,428)</u></b>

\*Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund

	<u>Month End Balance</u>
<u>Working Cash Accounts</u>	
ISDLAF*	798,042
Total Working Fund Cash:	<u>798,042</u>

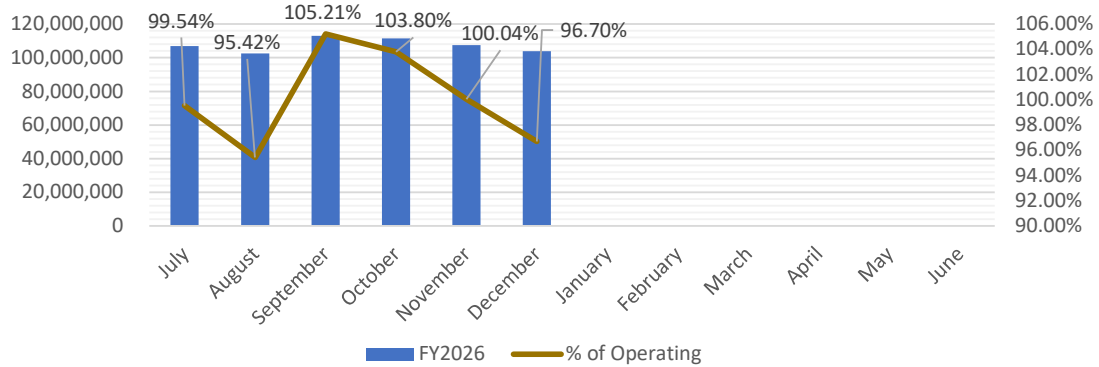
<b>Total Working Cash Funds on November 30 , 2025</b>	<b><u>795,508</u></b>
<b>Total Working Cash Funds on December 31, 2025</b>	<b><u>798,042</u></b>
<b>Change in Working Cash Funds since November 30, 2025</b>	<b><u>2,534</u></b>

\*Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund

	<u>Month End Balance</u>
<u>Capital Funds</u>	
Debt Service	835,341
Life Safety	4,687,628
CDB Escrow	20,218,460
Building Funds	45,695,994
Total Capital Funds:	<u>71,437,423</u>

<b>Total Capital Funds on November 30, 2025</b>	<b><u>84,592,278</u></b>
<b>Total Capital Funds on December 31, 2025</b>	<b><u>71,437,423</u></b>
<b>Change in Capital Funds since November 30, 2025</b>	<b><u>(13,154,855)</u></b>

### Operating Cash Balance and % Coverage of FY'26 Operating Budget



Month / Year	Cash & Investments	Capital	Total
December 2025	103,898,449	71,437,423	175,335,872
December 2024	97,836,468	22,888,518	120,724,986
November 2025	107,480,877	84,592,278	121,550,233
November 2024	86,593,948	34,956,285	121,550,233
October 2025	111,518,636	85,833,801	197,352,438
October 2024	86,909,426	36,439,132	123,348,557
September 2025	113,034,422	89,501,970	202,536,392
September 2024	88,096,984	36,073,771	124,170,755
August 2025	102,521,697	84,522,519	187,044,216
August 2024	81,392,300	31,630,251	113,022,551
July 2025	106,278,443	82,185,396	188,463,840
July 2024	94,170,928	18,966,575	113,137,503
June 2025	106,950,507	80,801,115	187,751,622
June 2024	95,190,321	18,733,561	113,923,882
May 2025	103,733,777	73,618,424	177,352,201
May 2024	87,363,344	13,008,319	100,371,663
April 2025	99,245,776	70,778,111	170,023,887
April 2024	86,332,941	12,124,823	98,457,764
March 2025	95,499,192	23,655,986	119,155,178
March 2024	86,836,088	12,144,016	98,980,104
February 2025	93,595,008	23,564,036	117,159,044
February 2024	88,191,264	12,055,291	100,246,555
January 2025	97,793,062	23,489,305	121,282,367
January 2024	89,622,418	12,080,229	101,702,648
December 2024	97,836,468	22,888,518	120,724,986
December 2023	86,619,649	12,022,984	98,642,633

# RVC Foundation Position Funding Proposal



Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting  
January 13, 2026

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Brittany Freiberg, RVC Foundation Chief Development Officer



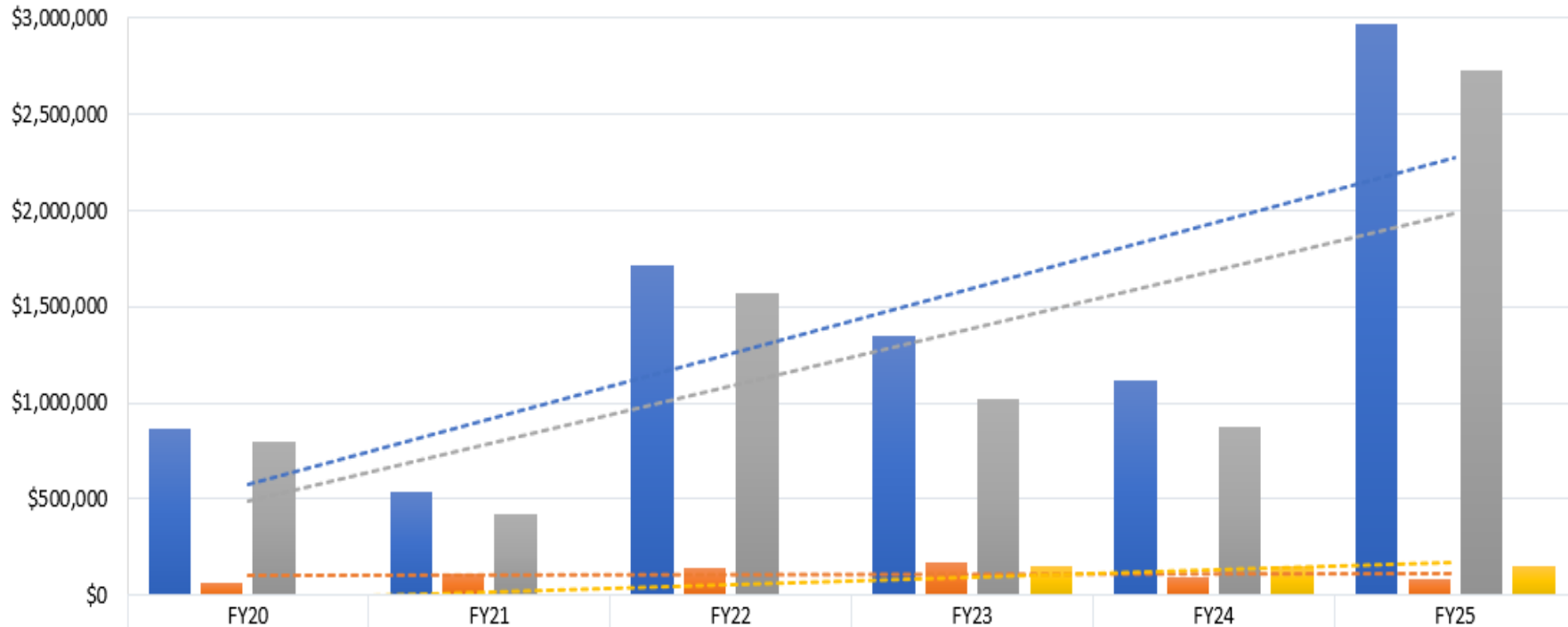
# Impact At-A-Glance

- Funding Proposal:
  - \$100,000
- All Funds Raised:
  - FY2020-Present: \$10.96 Million
- Scholarship Growth:
  - 1979-Present: 236 total unique scholarships
  - CY2025: 44 new scholarships created



# Annual Growth in Funds Raised FY2020-FY2025

## Donations Received



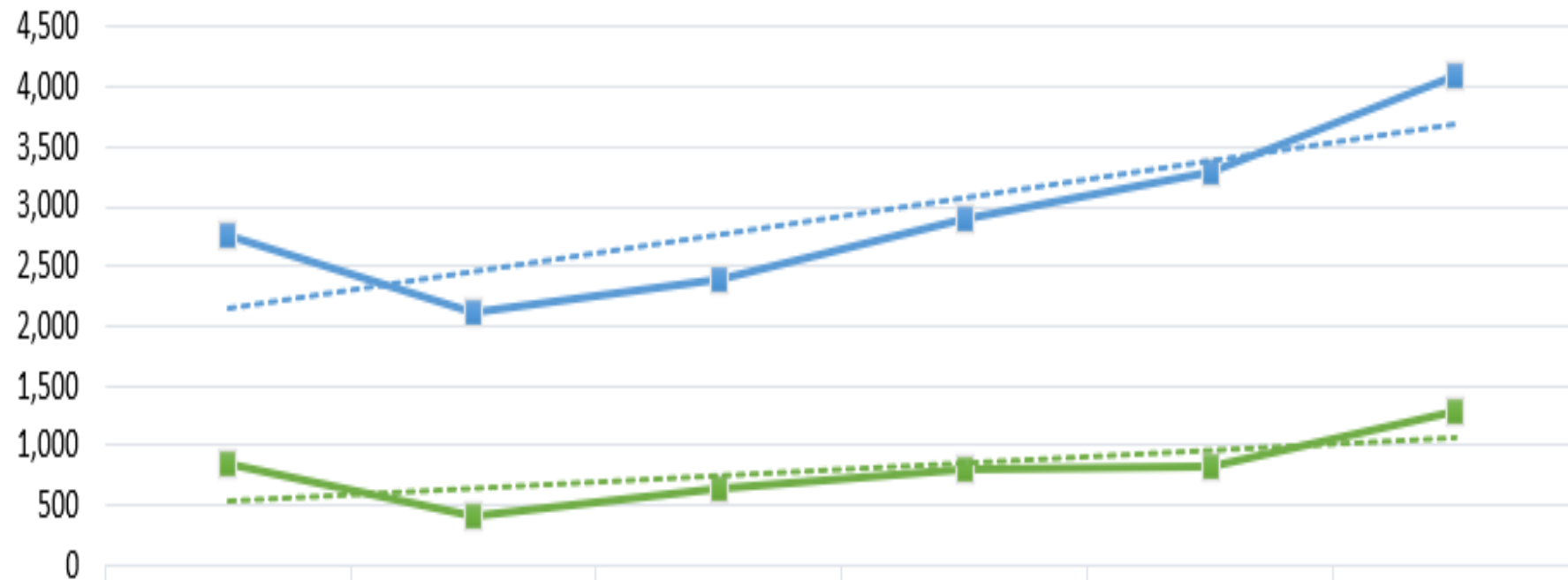
Total Funds Raised	866,035.00	538,513.00	1,712,013.00	1,344,656.00	1,119,897.00	2,964,127.00
Unrestricted	68,642.00	114,254.00	142,949.00	174,419.00	91,924.00	86,899.00
Restricted	797,393.00	424,259.00	1,569,064.00	1,020,237.00	877,973.00	2,727,228.00
College Support (Cash)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00

■ Total Funds Raised   
 ■ Unrestricted   
 ■ Restricted   
 ■ College Support (Cash)

- - - Total Funds raised Trendline   
 - - - Unrestricted Support Trendline   
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 - - - College Support Trendline

# Annual Look at Donors and Gifts FY2020-FY2025

Donors and Gifts

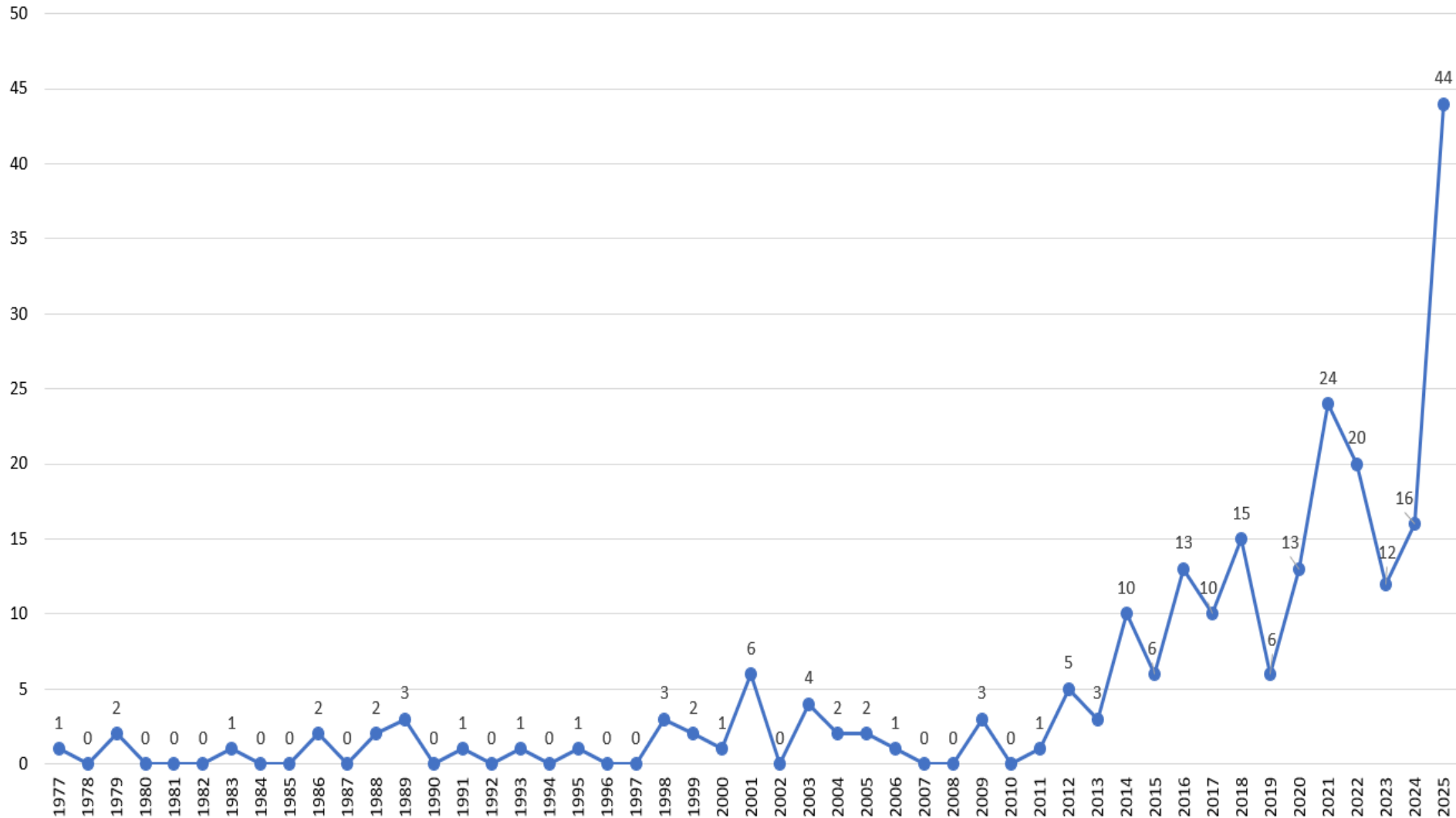


	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
■ Gift Count	2756	2109	2391	2907	3293	4101
■ Donor Count	845	411	649	792	825	1293

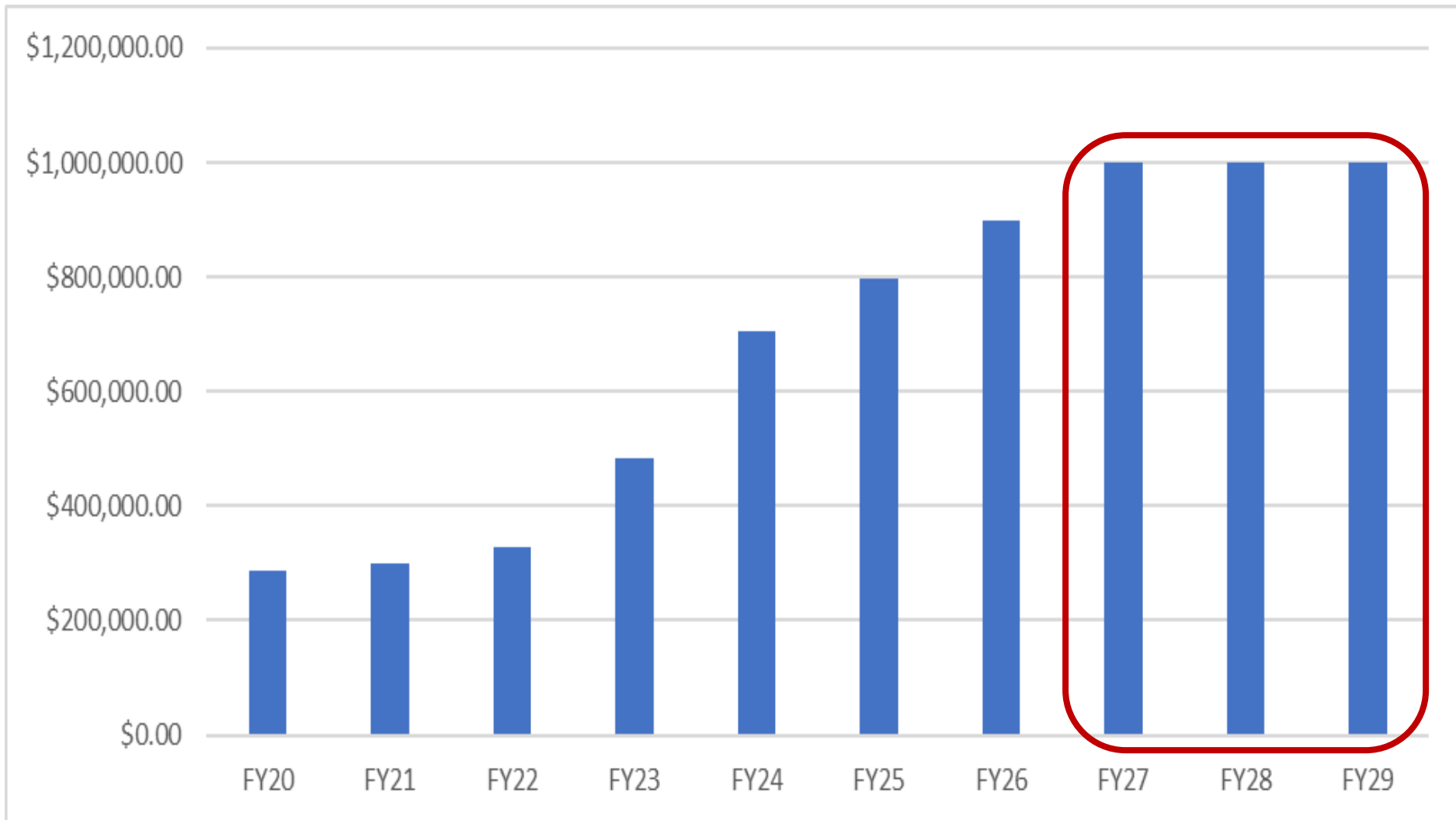
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# Annual Growth in New Scholarship Funds

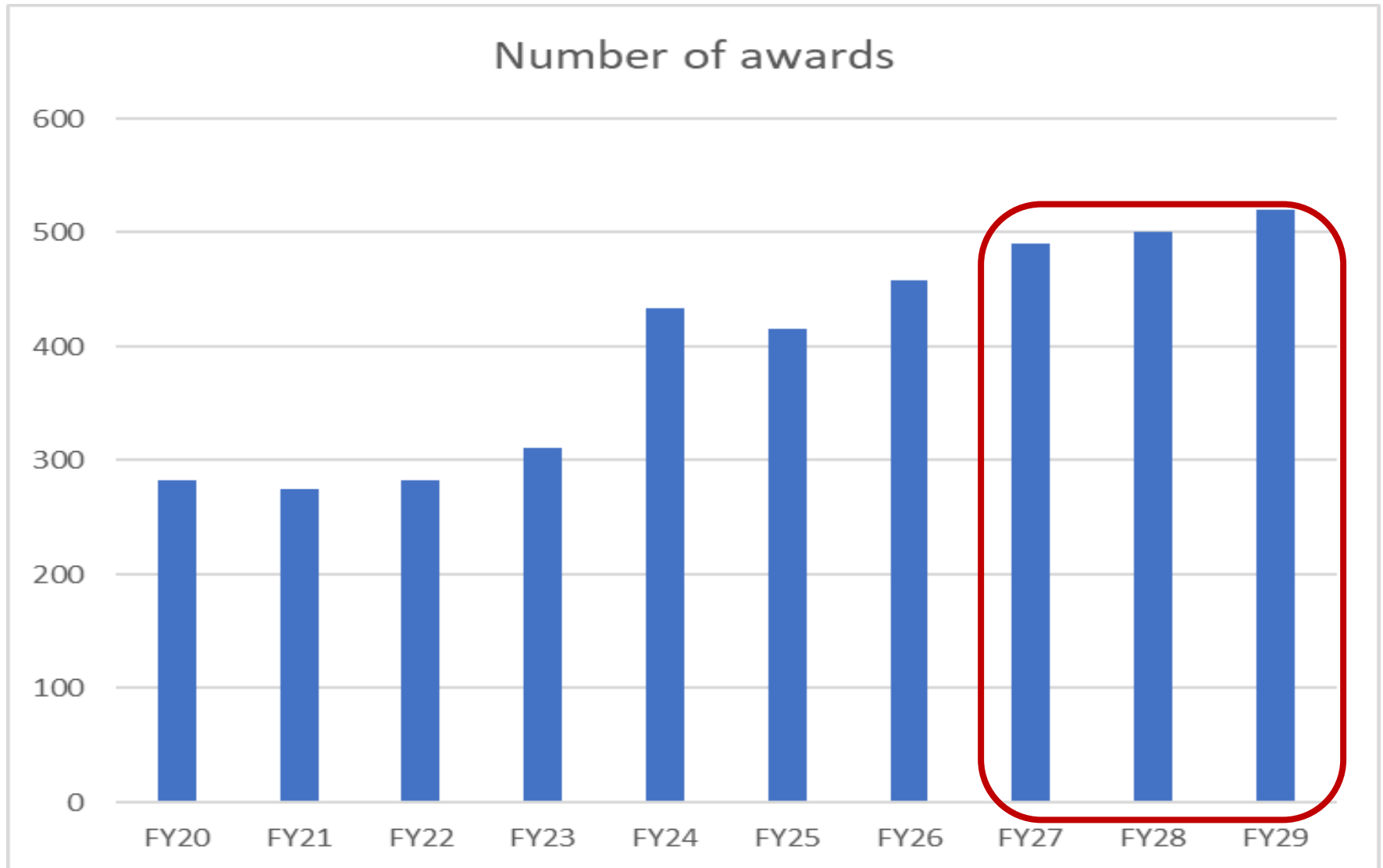
## Historical Scholarship Growth



# Amount Available to Award FY2020-FY2029



# Scholarship Awards FY2020-FY2029



# RVC FOUNDATION

## *CURRENT*





# RVC FOUNDATION

## DESIRED STRUCTURE



# Manager, Fund Development & Engagement

- The Manager of Fund Development & Engagement plays a vital role in advancing the mission of the Rock Valley College Foundation by:
  - Building meaningful relationships with donors and prospects;
  - Securing college event and program sponsorships;
  - Elevating donor stewardship efforts;
  - Strengthening the day-to-day operations of the foundation.

# Illinois Community College Funding Structure Comparison

Illinois Community College	Staff Size	College Funded (Full)	Funding Split	Foundation Funded	Notes
Blackhawk (Moline and Galva)	4	X			College funds salaries.
Heartland College (Normal)	4	X			College funds salaries.
Illinois Central (East Peoria)	3	X			College funds salaries.
John A. Logan (Carterville)	5	X			College funds salaries.
Lincoln Land (Springfield)	7	X			College funds salaries.
Oakton (Des Plaines, Skokie, Evanston)	9	X			Per their 990, it appears the college pays for their salaries. Requested direct info, but did not receive a reply.
Southwestern Illinois (Bellville)	4	X			College funds all salaries.
College of DuPage (Glen Ellyn)	14		X		Foundation funds \$313,806 of their 14 positions.
Elgin Community College (Elgin)	7		X		College funds 6 of 7 salaries, plus \$150K toward events and operations
Harper College (Palatine)	9		X		College agrees to support office expenses and payroll of the Foundation. Foundation reimburses the College for 1.5 fulltime salaries of the foundation payroll and benefits.
Illinois Valley Community College (Oglesby)	3		X		College and foundation split salary and benefit costs.
Kankakee Community College (Kankakee)	4		X		College provides 82% of the Foundation's operating budget.
Kaskaskia (Centralia)			X		College covers three fulltime positions within the dept and foundation covers Exec. Director's salary.
Parkland (Champaign)	4		X		College funds majority of salaries with the foundation covering \$183K. Their FA offices handles all scholarship awarding.
Richland (Decatur)	6		X		College contributes 60% toward operations, 40% from foundation.
Rock Valley College	4		X		College contributes \$150K toward operations.
Sauk Valley (Dixon)	5		X		College funds all salaries except for one part-time position
Highland Community College (Freeport)	3			X	They received a large endowment that's grown since '62 that helps cover their operational costs.

# Position Funding Proposal

- Proposed to RVC Board of Trustees:
  - The foundation respectfully requests consideration from Rock Valley College for an annual increase of \$100,000, bringing the college's current support of \$150,000 to \$250,000 annually in support of the foundation's growing operational needs.





## Rock Valley College Downtown Campus Budget Summary

January 13, 2026

	Description	Vendor Name	Award Amount	Expensed as of June 30, 2024	Expensed as of June 30, 2025	Expensed as of December 31, 2025
	<b>Owners Cost</b>					
	Design Fee	DKA Architects	\$3,595,259.00	\$645,693.31	\$1,609,015.25	\$156,455.41
	CMR Fee	RJC (GR, Ins & Fee)	\$3,293,776.00	\$25,000.00	\$949,003.00	\$938,295.00
	Food service Equipment (Both Areas) FFE	TBD	\$200,000.00			
	Lab Equipment and Tools FFE	TBD	\$900,000.00			
	Office Furniture FFE	TBD	\$500,000.00			
	Technology FFE	TBD	\$750,000.00			
	<b>Site Enabling Costs</b>	<b>Who</b>				
	<u>Removal</u>					
	Utility Relocation	AT&T	\$203,692.43		\$0.00	\$78,764.30
	Utility Relocation	NICOR	\$170,000.00		\$163,652.80	N/A
	Utility Relocation	Com Ed	\$248,716.95		\$248,716.95	N/A
	Material Testing	Quast	\$10,500.00			
	Material Testing	TSC	\$114,500.00	\$15,800.00	\$49,320.75	\$37,384.50
	<u>Installation</u>					
	Utility Relocation	Com Ed	\$14,845.00		\$14,845.00	N/A
	<b>Bid Package 1</b>	<b>Who</b>				
1.0	Abatement	NES Enviromental	\$429,543.81		\$429,543.81	N/A
	Site	Midwest Enviromental	\$48,100.00		\$48,100.00	N/A
	Site	Midwest Enviromental	\$9,500.00		\$9,500.00	N/A
	Site	Helm	\$52,800.00		\$52,792.32	N/A
	Site Includes the SHPO study	Terracon	\$75,500.00		\$73,620.00	N/A
	<b>Bid Package 2</b>	<b>Who</b>				
2.0	Building Demolition	Northern Illinois Service	\$823,436.00		\$791,029.00	N/A
	Abatement - Fencing CO	NES Enviromental	\$7,347.00		\$7,347.00	N/A
	Abatement - Cameras CO	RJC	\$20,100.00		\$20,100.00	N/A
	<b>Bid Package3</b>	<b>Who</b>				
3.2	HVAC Equipment	Miller Engineering	\$3,804,800.00		\$35,660.00	\$19,964.00
3.3	Electrical Equipment	Helm Electrical	\$355,185.00		\$64,797.00	\$256,948.00
	<b>Bid Package 4</b>	<b>Who</b>				
4.1	Site Work	Northern Illinois Service	\$3,635,120.00		\$1,673,142.00	\$551,311.00
4.2	Structural	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$6,911,000.00		\$2,643,740.00	\$3,482,755.00



## Rock Valley College Downtown Campus Budget Summary

January 13, 2026

	Description	Vendor Name	Award Amount	Expensed as of June 30, 2024	Expensed as of June 30, 2025	Expensed as of December 31, 2025
	<b>Bid Package 5</b>	<b>Who</b>				
5.01	Masonry	Jimmy's Masonary Corp	\$948,000.00		\$8,944.00	\$568,098.00
5.02	Carpentry & Finishes	Ruiz Construction	\$3,584,000.00		\$86,198.00	\$185,478.00
5.03	Metal Panels, Insulation, & Framing	American Igloo	\$1,911,590.00		\$0.00	\$46,350.00
5.04	Roofing & Sheet Metal	HC Anderson Roofing	\$1,238,857.00		\$0.00	\$1,047,271.00
5.05	Curtain Wall, Glass & Glazing	Cardinal Glass Company	\$2,191,000.00		\$81,450.00	\$302,506.00
5.06	Metal Studs, Drywall, Insulation, & Ceiling	The Rockwell Group	\$2,770,800.00		\$0.00	\$827,485.00
5.07	Tile & Terrazzo	Northern IL Terrazzo and Tile	\$204,200.00		\$4,693.00	\$0.00
5.08	Resilient Flooring & Carpet	Boss Carpet	\$399,826.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5.09	Food Service Equipment	Boelter LLC	\$145,129.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5.10	Vehicle Lifts	Standard Industrial & Auto	\$675,000.00		\$0.00	\$179,215.00
5.11	Fire Protection	Nelson Fire Protection	\$216,062.00		\$0.00	\$19,350.00
5.12	Plumbing	Miller Engineering	\$1,706,939.00		\$275,904.00	\$614,687.00
5.13	HVAC	Miller Engineering	\$5,224,300.00		\$23,653.00	\$19,964.00
5.14	Electrical, Low Voltage, Technology, Audio Visual, Fire Alarm	Helm	\$6,685,700.00		\$134,800.00	\$1,344,985.00
	<b>Bid Package 6</b>					
6.10	Paint Booth	Miller Engineering	\$636,500.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>Bid Package 7</b>					
	Landscaping	TBD	\$150,000.00			
	Contingency		\$2,222,239.00			
	<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$57,083,863.19</b>	<b>\$686,493.31</b>	<b>\$9,499,566.88</b>	<b>\$10,677,266.21</b>

<b>Total Budget &amp; Contingency</b>	<b>Grant Funds (Note)</b>		<b>Running Total</b>	<b>\$20,863,326.40</b>
<b>BR 8245: March 25, 2025</b>	Demo Grant	<b>\$1,483,000.00</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>	<b>36.5486%</b>
<b>\$58,000,000.00</b>	FY2025 E Vehicle Equipment	<b>\$15,000.00</b>		
Blue Highlighted items are complete	FY2025 E Vehicle Construction	<b>\$302,500.00</b>	<b>Contingency Total</b>	<b>\$522,884.98</b>
	FY2026 E Vehicle Equipment	<b>\$200,000.00</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>	<b>23.5296%</b>
	Total	<b>\$2,000,500.00</b>		

# CHANGE ORDER LOG

## Construction Manager at Risk - Downtown West Campus: Construction 2024-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Total Expensed
BR8245	BR8245 Board Resolution for Contingency for Downtown West Construction Project.					3/25/2025		\$2,222,239.00	
PCO CCF-009	This PCO is for the outstanding balance of \$5,915.00 where \$25,626.21 was applied to contaminated soils, fully exhausting Sitework Allowance #2 (Associated with PCO SA2 004)	4/21/2025	\$ 5,915.00	\$ 5,915.00	Approved	5/1/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,216,324.00	\$ 5,915.00
PCO CCF-008	CE #019 - DLC Foundation vs. Storm Sewer Due to conflict between the foundation in the SE corner of the DLC and the storm drain; the top of the footing is 728.5 and the bottom of the 12 inch storm pipe is at approximately 727.8. Ruiz will perform the following as a solution: Drop the elevation of the Foundation Walls approximately 1'-0", and refabricate concrete reinforcement.	4/15/2025	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 2,565.00	Approved	5/1/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,213,759.00	\$ 8,480.00
PCO CCF-011	CE #023 - Contaminated Soils Use on 4/24 This PCO is for the unsuitable contaminated soils use on 4/24 Total Due = \$11,877.08	4/25/2025	\$ 11,877.08	\$ 11,877.08	Approved	5/1/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,201,881.92	\$ 20,357.08
PCO CCF-012	CE #024 - UST Removal in DLC Foundation NIS to perform the following due to an underground storage tank discovered in the DLC foundation: Remove and properly dispose of UST that had been discovered during excavation beneath the proposed foundation of the new DLC building.	4/28/2025	\$ 37,395.00	\$ 37,395.00	Approved	5/1/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,164,486.92	\$ 57,752.08
Terracon CO 4	Terracon's scope of services for the UST removal observation and reporting services related to the removal of the UST at the site will include: perform project coordination, UST removal observation, and associated data evaluation and reporting.	4/29/2025	\$ 12,250.00	\$ 12,250.00	Approved	4/29/2025	Terracon Consultants Inc	\$2,152,236.92	\$ 70,002.08
PCO-CCF-006	Precast Insulation Credit Deduct	2/26/2025	\$ (10,000.00)	\$ (10,000.00)	Approved	5/16/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,162,236.92	\$ 60,002.08
PCO CCF-013	DTC EV Charger Electrical Rough Scope Removall Credit back to owner for removal of EV Chargers at DTC	5/20/2025	\$ (2,228.00)	\$ (2,228.00)	Approved	5/22/2025	HELM Electric	\$2,164,464.92	\$ 57,774.08



# CHANGE ORDER LOG - Continued

## Construction Manager at Risk - Downtown West Campus: Construction 2024-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Total Expensed
PCO CCF 18	Contaminated Soils on 5/8 & 5/30: Overage on Contaminated Soils: Use for unsuitable Contaminated Soils on 5/8 & 5/23.	5/30/2025	\$ 2,670.41	\$ 2,670.41	Approved	6/10/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,161,794.51	\$ 60,444.49
PCO CCF 14	DLC & DTC ComEd New Service Costs	5/21/2025	\$ 9,326.00	\$ 9,326.00	Approved	6/12/2025	HELM Electric	\$2,152,468.51	\$ 69,770.49
PCO CCF 15	RFP #001 Floor Drain/ Floor Box Elimination	5/27/2025	\$ (3,540.00)	\$ (3,540.00)	Approved	6/12/2025	Ringland Johnson Construction	\$2,156,008.51	\$ 66,230.49
PCO CCF 17	Hand Dryers: Helm to provide the following due to no electrical connection shown on drawings: Add conduit wire and connect Hand Dryer in Bath 1210 and 1212.	5/30/2025	\$ 2,473.00	\$ 2,473.00	Approved	6/12/2025	Helm Electric	\$2,153,535.51	\$ 68,703.49
PCO CCF 019	Unsuitable Soils Sitework Allowance #1 (Remaining Balance Due) -- This PCO is for the outstanding balance due, fully exhausting Sitework Allowance #1	5/30/2025	\$ 4,416.00	\$ 4,416.00	Approved	6/18/2025	Ringland Johnson Construction	\$2,149,119.51	\$ 73,119.49
PCO CCF 020	Four Rivers Sanitation Authority (FRSA) Add for IC Permit Variance.	6/3/2025	\$ 205.00	\$ 205.00	Approved	6/18/2025	Ringland Johnson Construction	\$2,148,914.51	\$ 73,324.49
PCO CCF 16	PIC Adds on DLC & DTC (Control value indicator Code Req)	5/29/2025	\$ 12,266.22	\$ 12,266.22	approved	6/30/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,136,648.29	\$ 85,590.71
PCO CCF 022	Add for Switching DLC Pavers to Concrete Sidewalk	6/11/2025	\$ 1,539.75	\$ 1,539.75	Approved	7/11/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,133,706.54	\$ 87,130.46
PCO CCF 024	Barrier Curbs & ADA - RFI 100 Pricing Reconciliations (ADA Detectable Warning Panels)	6/17/2025	\$ 840.23	\$ 840.23	Approved	7/24/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,132,866.31	\$ 87,970.69
PCO CCF 025	Chestnut St. Entrance Apron - Owner Request for Additional Pavement Reconstruction (RHA @ Chestnut/Rockton)	6/17/2025	\$ 12,294.64	\$ 12,294.64	Approved	7/23/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,120,571.67	\$ 100,265.33
PCO CCF 028	DTC Hand Dryers connections with GFCI breakers Added	6/24/2025	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 3,950.00	Approved	7/14/2025	HELM Electric	\$2,132,698.29	\$ 104,215.33
PCO CCF 032R1	Eliminate Furring at DLC Elec Rooms	7/3/2025	\$ (2,548.00)	\$ (2,548.00)	Approved	7/23/2025	Rockwell Group	\$2,135,246.29	\$ 101,667.33
PCO CCF 007 REV 4	Structural ASI 001	7/17/2025	\$ 9,704.90	\$ 9,704.90	Approved	8/11/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,125,541.39	\$ 111,372.23
PCO CCF 021 REV1	Credit Request for Switching Cast to PVC in Autobody and Auto Lab	6/10/2025	\$ (14,626.20)	\$ (14,626.20)	Approved	8/6/2025	MILLER ENGINEERING	\$2,140,167.59	\$ 96,746.03
PCO CCF 033 R1	Compressed Air Piping Miller Engineering to perform the following due to ASI #009: Add for compressed air piping in the DTC building.	7/9/2025	\$ 18,036.43	\$ 18,036.43	Approved	8/6/2025	MILLER ENGINEERING	\$2,122,131.16	\$ 114,782.46
PCO CCF 034	Credit for Remove scope of furnishing and installing the phenolic panels at the soffit	7/22/2025	\$ (53,200.00)	\$ (53,200.00)	Approved	8/6/2025	AMERICAN IGLOO BUILDERS	\$2,175,331.16	\$ 61,582.46
PCO CCF 030 R1	DTC rebar Shops: Jimmy'Z to perform the following: Step down CMU to 0'0" at Stair 2. Refer to masonry rebar shop drawings detail Z R02E.	7/2/2025	\$ 3,138.00	\$ 3,138.00	Approved	8/14/2025	Jimmy'Z Masonry	\$2,172,193.16	\$ 64,720.46
PCO CCF 035	Helm Electric RCO 11 & 12 Deduct VFDs	7/28/2025	\$ (28,886.00)	\$ (28,886.00)	Approved	8/14/2025	Jimmy'Z Masonry	\$2,201,079.16	\$ 35,834.46

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Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Total Expensed
PCO CCF 036 R1	ASI 010 Revised Scope Adjustment Cardinal Glass Company to provide labor and materials for the following: on the DTC - Changing from glass type GL10 to GL14 on Door 6100A. Approximately 48 square feet. Change from GL14 to GL10 at curtainwall elevation C includes door 6105A.	7/29/2025	\$ (1,182.00)	\$ (1,182.00)	Approved	8/14/2025	Cardinal Glass Co	\$2,202,261.16	\$ 34,652.46
PCO CCF 037	Nicor Gas Sleeves -Northern Illinois proposes the following: Provide and install 4" PVC sleeve for Nicor Gas service at DLC & DTC (approx. 70' for DLC & approx. 90' for DTC).	8/1/2025	\$ 4,803.90	\$ 4,803.90	Approved	8/20/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,197,457.26	\$ 39,456.36
PCO CCF 038	Storm Sewer and Grade Conflict/ Bust in DTC Lot	8/1/2025	\$ 8,551.25	\$ 8,551.25	Approved	8/20/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,188,906.01	\$ 48,007.61
PCO CCF 039	Relocate FHV Cabinet	8/5/2025	\$ 1,478.20	\$ 1,478.20	Approved	8/20/2025	Nelson Fire Protection	\$2,187,427.81	\$ 49,485.81
PCO CCF 023 REV 2	ASI 033 Mechanical and Electrical Updates: Miller Plumbing and Helm Electric shall incorporate project changes (Plumbing & Electrical) differing from original basis of design; as modified/noted by the Architect of Record and Engineer of Record and as set forth in ASI #003.	6/16/2025	\$ 20,812.60	\$ 20,812.60	Approved	8/29/2025	Helm Electric and Miller Plumbing	\$2,166,615.21	\$ 70,298.41
PCO CCF 029 Rev3	ASI #006 Per ASI – 6R1, there are changes that are being made to the location/orientation of the exterior site lighting. These changes are at no cost to the Project per standard details that are included in the Electrical Project Drawings. This zero-dollar change order is an official acknowledgement of the changes being incorporated as set forth by the Design Teams of record.	6/24/2025	\$ -	\$ -	Approved	9/16/2025	HELM Electric	\$2,166,615.21	\$ 70,298.41
PCO CCF 040	ASI 002 - RVC Structural Ruiz to perform the following labor and materials:	8/12/2025	\$ 21,032.78	\$ 21,032.78	Approved	9/16/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,145,582.43	\$ 91,331.19
PCO CCF 044	ASI 016 Exterior Insulation: Changes per ASI 016	8/20/2025	\$ 3,532.00	\$ 3,532.00	Approved	9/11/2025	American Igloo, Rockwell Group	\$2,142,050.43	\$ 94,863.19
PCO CCF 051	CE #066 - RFI #165 Adds Excavate and backfill as required to allow for concrete saw cutting. Saw cut walls of precast concrete inlets to shorten structures as required in (3) locations.	9/15/2025	\$ 2,625.00	\$ 2,625.00	Approved	9/26/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,139,425.43	\$ 97,488.19
PCO CCF 054	CE #069 - Interior Bollards In accordance with ASI 018R1 and updated drawing A1.10, the following work is to be performed: Bollards. Concrete Anchorage. Slab Modifications	9/26/2025	\$ 5,754.14	\$ 5,754.14	Approved	10/3/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,133,671.29	\$ 103,242.33

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PCO CCF 010 REV 6	BP4 IFB vs. BP5 IFB Drawings - Structural Changes Pricing Reconciliation	9/10/2025	\$ 67,416.64	\$ 67,416.64	Approved	10/13/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems; NISC	\$2,066,254.65	\$ 170,658.97
PCO CCF 042 R1	DTC ASI 012	8/18/2025	\$ 3,973.42	\$ 3,973.42	Approved	10/16/2025	Miller Engineering Co	\$2,062,281.23	\$ 174,632.39
PCO CCF 043 R1	ASI 002 Masonry Changes	8/19/2025	\$ 228.00	\$ 228.00	Approved	10/13/2025	Jimmy'Z Masonry	\$2,062,053.23	\$ 174,860.39
PCO CCF 049 R1	DTC PIV Adds and Deducts	9/9/2025	\$ 6,832.51	\$ 6,832.51	Approved	10/16/2025	Miller Engineering Co; NISC	\$2,055,220.72	\$ 181,692.90
PCO CCF 050	CE #065 - DLC Added Fixture Length F7 The approved lighting submittal shows that DLC F7 (Qty 2), originally listed as 4' on the fixture schedule, now needs to be provided as 8'.	9/10/2025	\$ 780.00	\$ 780.00	Approved	10/13/2025	HELM Electric	\$2,054,440.72	\$ 182,472.90
PCO CCF 052	RFI #137 Adds Per RFI 137, the updated drawings reflect the following changes to the scope of work: • Installation of an open site drain, including all related vent piping, to accommodate the irrigation line drain. • Installation of a drain line complete with valve and cap.	9/17/2025	\$ 703.33	\$ 703.33	Approved	10/13/2025	Miller Engineering Co	\$2,053,737.39	\$ 183,176.23
PCO CCF 053	Unsuitable (non-bearing) allowance	9/19/2025	\$ 29,629.63	\$ 29,629.63	Approved	10/10/2025	NISC Northern Illinois Service Co	\$2,024,107.76	\$ 212,805.86
PCO CCF 054	Interior Bollards	9/26/2025	\$ 5,754.14	\$ 5,754.14	Approved	10/3/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,018,353.62	\$ 218,560.00
PCO CCF 055	DTC Paint Booths: Exhaust vs. IFB SS Locations vs. Precast Planking	9/26/2025	\$ 3,535.71	\$ 3,535.71	Approved	10/19/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,014,817.91	\$ 222,095.71
PCO CCF 056	Hollow Core Plank 175X Support	9/26/2025	\$ 718.37	\$ 718.37	Approved	10/19/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,014,099.54	\$ 222,814.08
PCO CCF 057	Hollow Core Plank 178X and 179X9 Support (Structural)	9/26/2025	\$ 909.18	\$ 909.18	Approved	10/19/2025	Ruiz Construction Systems	\$2,013,190.36	\$ 223,723.26
PCO CCF 060	DLC & DTC ASI-022 Piping Diameter REvisions for Terminal Heat Transfer Units	9/29/2025	\$ 3,906.25	\$ 3,906.25	Approved	10/13/2025	Miller Engineering Co	\$2,009,284.11	\$ 227,629.51
PCO CCF 061	Bent Plate at Ramp to Mechanical Roof	9/30/2025	\$ 720.00	\$ 720.00	Approved	10/13/2025	Rockwell Group	\$2,008,564.11	\$ 228,349.51
PCO CCF 045R1	ASI 015 DTC Gates	8/26/2025	\$ 8,036.00	\$ 8,036.00	DKA review	11/18/2025	Helm Electric	\$2,000,528.11	\$ 236,385.51
PCO CCF 064	RFI #206 Reconcile Gyp Board over CMU removed from Scope.	10/14/2025	\$ (1,484.00)	\$ (1,484.00)	Approved	11/11/2025	Rockwell Group	\$2,002,012.11	\$ 234,901.51
PCO CCF 066	ComEd CE #083 Reimbursement for utility costs for temporary power usage at job site	10/21/2025	\$ 3,913.32	\$ 3,913.32	Approved	11/13/2025	ComEd Electric	\$1,998,098.79	\$ 238,814.83
PCO CCF 067	Deduct TV Display Corridor 6200 DTC	10/23/2025	\$ (2,580.00)	\$ (2,580.00)	Approved	11/13/2025	Helm Electric	\$2,000,678.79	\$ 236,234.83

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Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Total Expensed
PCO CCF 069	Lift installation - RVC Cabinets required to incorporate installation.	10/24/2025	\$ 2,716.23	\$ 2,716.23	Approved	11/11/2025	Standard Industrial & Automotive Equipment	\$1,997,962.56	\$ 238,951.06
PCO CCF 070	Curtain Wall North Side DLC Interference	11/3/2025	\$ 4,122.00	\$ 4,122.00	Approved	11/11/2025	Rockwell Group	\$1,993,840.56	\$ 243,073.06
* PCO CCF 062 R1	DTC Adds and Deduct: Deduct for Cord Reels per RFI #41 DTC. Added Hand Dryer DTC per RFI #186. Add per Electrical DTC Add Accessory Trim. Resulting total amount is a CREDIT -1,943.00	10/6/2025	\$ (1,943.00)	\$ (1,943.00)	Approved	12/4/2025	Helm Electric	\$1,995,783.56	\$ 241,130.06
* PCO CCF 065 R1	Change door from Clear Anodized to Black Painted	10/17/2025	\$ 9,387.00	\$ 9,387.00	Upcoming	12/4/2025	Cardinal Glass	\$1,986,396.56	\$ 250,517.06
* PCO CCF 072	DLC - Hand Dryer - Toilet Room 1214	11/6/2025	\$ 2,824.00	\$ 2,824.00	Approved	12/4/2025	Helm Electric	\$1,983,572.56	\$ 253,341.06
* PCO CCF 074	DTC: Conflict with Base Plate and Curtain Wall	11/17/2025	\$ 2,720.00	\$ 2,720.00	Approved	12/4/2025	Rockwell Group; American Igloo; Cardinal Glass	\$1,980,852.56	\$ 256,061.06
* PCO CCF 076R1	DTC Roof Scupper - rework needed	12/16/2025	\$ 4,535.00	\$ 4,535.00	Approved	12/30/2025	Rockwell Group; Miller Engineering Co	\$1,976,317.56	\$ 260,596.06
* PCO CCF 077	DLC Mechanical Roof Clips - Tube Steel at roof	12/11/2025	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 2,350.00	Approved	12/30/2025	Rockwell Group	\$1,973,967.56	\$ 262,946.06
* PCO CCF 078	DLC Exposed Columns at High Roof	12/11/2025	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	Approved	12/30/2025	HC Anderson Roofing; Rockwell Group	\$1,969,667.56	\$ 267,246.06
* PCO CCF 083	ASI 031 changes include revisions to natural gas piping scope.	12/15/2025	\$ 6,975.55	\$ 6,975.55	Approved	12/19/2025	Miller Engineering Co	\$1,962,692.01	\$ 274,221.61

\* Denotes new change orders since the last Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting (December 2, 2025).



# Present and Future Status

## Present

- The team continues to work on the submittals from contractors and confirm that all materials to be ordered are accurate.
- Both Buildings are closed in, and work continues on the inside of the buildings.
- Work is beginning on Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FFE). Bids are being finalized to complete the purchases in time to meet deadlines.

## Future

- Contractors are working on finalizing the installation of all conduit, and work is ongoing on hanging drywall in the building.
- Many areas will see a large increase in work being conducted. This includes HVAC, electric, plumbing, and several other trades.

*Thank You*



# Classroom Building II Update



Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting  
January 13, 2026

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Rick Jenks, Vice President of Operations / Chief Operations Officer

Dr. Amanda Smith, Vice President of Academic Affairs / Chief Academic Officer

# Summary of Events

- The Capital Development Board (CDB) has agreed to release funds for the remodel of Classroom Building II (CLII), CDB Project # 810-080-017.
- This project has been on the CDB improvement list for over a decade.
- CDB will not add any additional funds for inflation and has agreed to provide only \$17 million for the project. RVC is obligated to contribute a 25% match of \$5,666,667, bringing the project total to \$22,666,667.
- The Board reviewed three options and selected option 3. (Board Report #8148; April 23, 2024)



# Summary of Events

- Option 3 included the Black Box theater option at a cost of roughly \$38 million and added an approximate 9,000 square feet addition. This option increased the RVC portion of the project to \$18 million plus \$3.5 million for Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment.
- After funding was secured, CDB selected the Bailey Edward Architecture firm to conduct the program design and create basic design development drawings.
- Following the Facility Master Plan (FMP), the Bailey Edward team met with members of the following areas:
  - Music
  - Theater
  - Art
  - Community and Continuing Education

# Program Review

The following project drivers were agreed upon:

- 1 Create an Arts and Community Learning Center**  
Elevate the Arts / Increase Enrollment
- 2 Black Box Theater**  
Elevate the Arts / Bring in Community
- 3 New Front Door for the Building and for Campus**  
Welcoming / Campus Information
- 4 Modernize the Interior Spaces**  
Lighten Up / More Energy / In Harmony
- 5 Community Opportunity for Crossroads**  
Lifelong Learning / RVC Opportunities
- 6 Create Informal Collaboration Opportunities**  
Utilize In-between Spaces
- 7 Building Envelope and System Upgrades**

Note:

Additional Information available in the Preliminary Analysis/Schematic Design (PA/SD) report for CDB – RVC CLII Addition and Renovation (PA/SD Report).

## Options Created for CDB Report

- After discussion with the different college departments, some areas of additional need were brought to light. These included the Black Box Theater, an ensemble space for the music program, and a 3D design space for the arts program.
- Based on these items, the design team developed four options for the consideration of RVC and CDB. These options are detailed in the PA/SD Report.
- After reviewing the report, the RVC team developed an option 5. Below is a summary of the options.

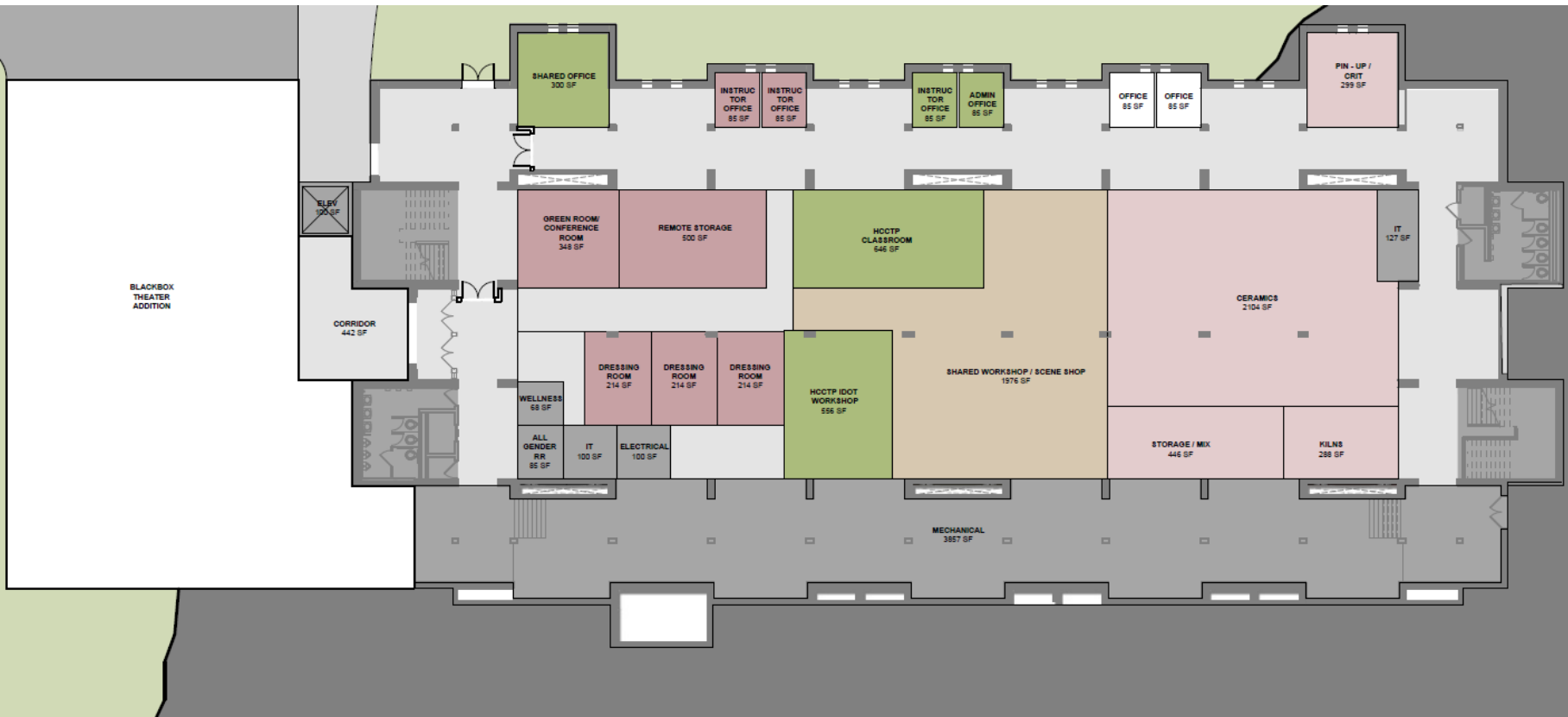
Number	Name	Estimated Cost Above Funding	Estimate added Square footage
Option 1	Connection	- 33,000	7,631 sf
Option 2	Avenue	\$5.9 million	12,659 sf
Option 3	Community Entry	\$7.5 million	14,508 sf
Option 4	Avenue 2.0	\$7.8 million	15,649 sf
Option 5	RVC Version	\$5.9 million	12,659 sf

# Recommendations for Consideration

- It is recommended that the Board decide between option 1 and option 5. These are the two least expensive options.
  - Option 1 – “Connection.”

This option is the least costly and accomplishes two main goals for the project. These two goals are to remodel all the systems within the building and update the existing building. It also includes a Black Box Theater. “Connection” includes reducing the addition size to 7,631 sf and placing as much of the remaining program as possible in the existing CLII. This option allows the Visual Arts Department to move to CLII but does not accommodate the new 3D Sculpture Studio, the large ensemble music rehearsal room, or the large, combined 2D Print Studio requested by the department. A small music ensemble rehearsal room of 1,000 sf is included, with a lower-than-ideal ceiling height, and the 2D Print Studio is 1,400 sf.

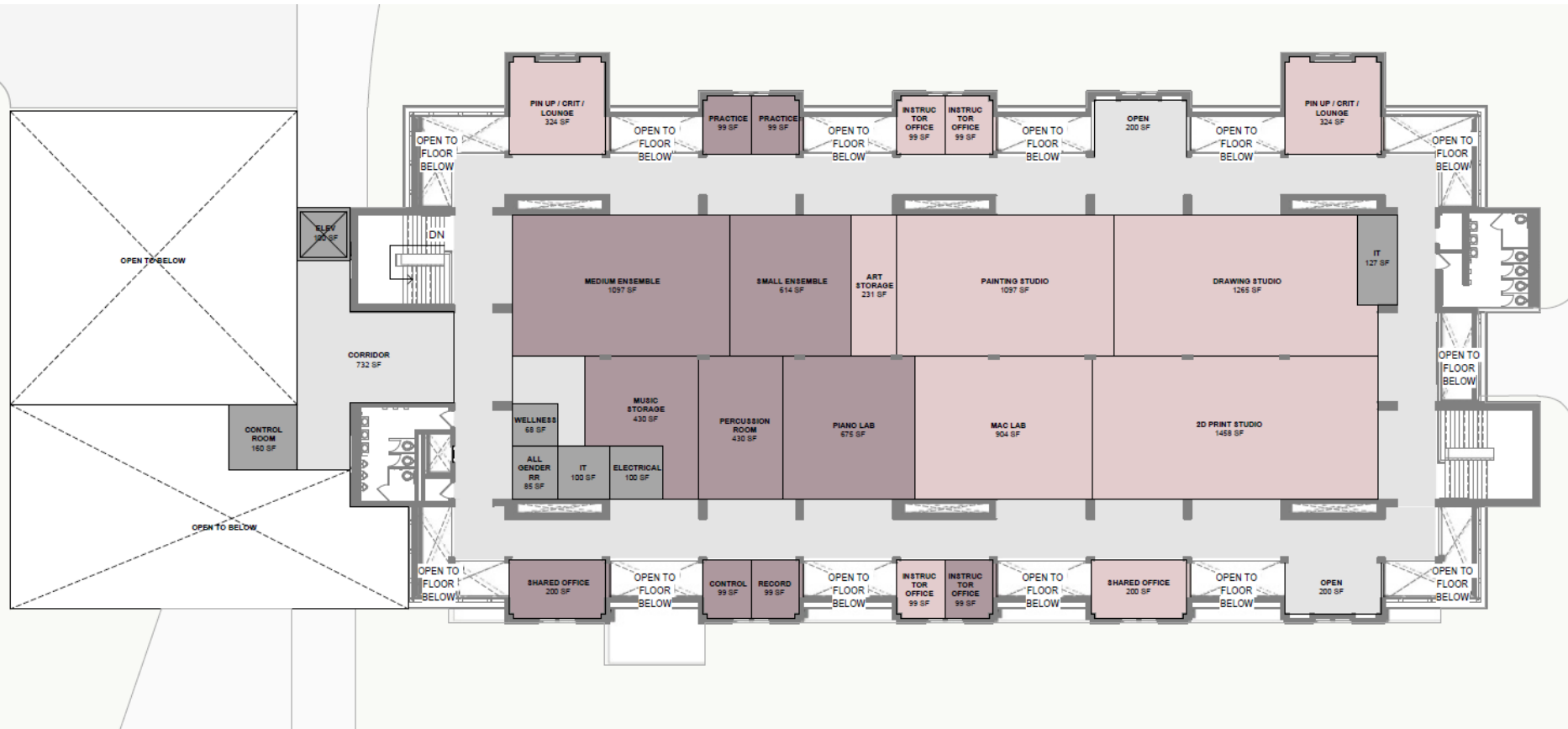
# Ground Floor – Option 1 “Connection”



# First Floor – Option 1 “Connection”



## Second Floor – Option 1 “Connection”



# Recommendations for Consideration

- It is recommended that the Board decide between option 1 and option 5. These are the two least expensive options.
  - Option 5 – “RVC Version.”

This option is the second least costly and accomplishes two main goals for the project. These two goals are to remodel all the systems in the building and update the existing building. “RVC Version” is similar to Option 1, but the addition focuses on theater and music programming, adding 10,900 sf. Visual Arts has been relocated to CLII, with the new 3D Sculpture Studio, and Music has a large ensemble music rehearsal room. The 2D Print Studio is smaller at 1,400 sf. This option also accommodates the small music ensemble rehearsal room, which has a lower ceiling height. This option allows each credit department a new space to help grow their respective programs.



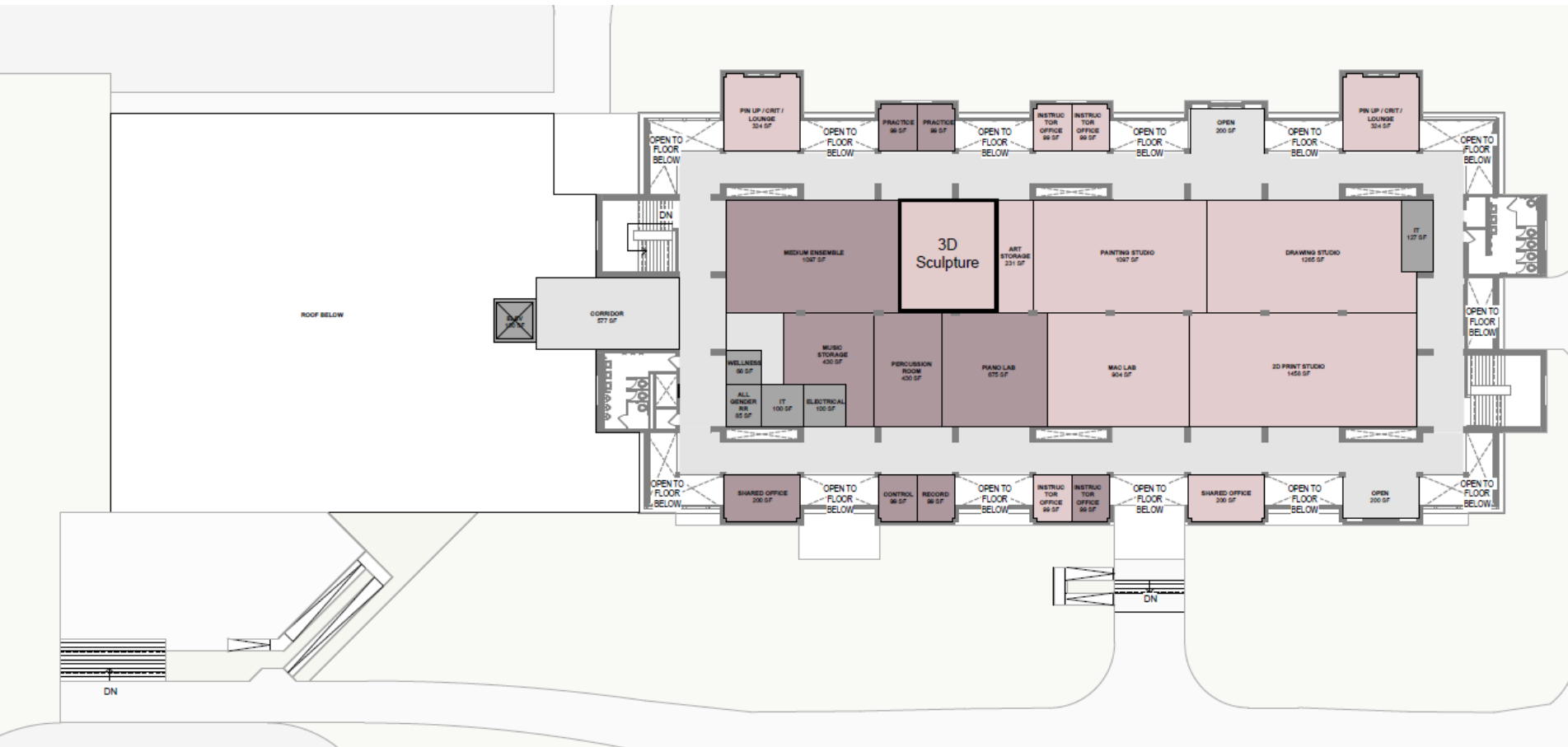
# Ground Floor – Option 5 “RVC Version”



# First Floor – Option 5 “RVC Version”



# Second Floor – Option 5 “RVC Version”



# Enrollment Projections

## Duplicated Headcount (Seats Sold)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Projections
Art	1029	1077	1004	934	939	1,185
Music	524	517	455	474	537	644
Theater	49	94	79	62	65	147
Total	1,602	1,688	1,538	1,536	1,564	1,976

Projections are based on current offerings. With additional staffing, there is potential to offer Directing, Musical Theatre Acting, Musical Theatre Directing, and a Practicum. Including these courses would increase the projections to 217 seats sold.

## Summary of Costs

Number	Name	Estimated Cost Above Funding	Estimate added Square footage
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### Option 1

Would not require any additional funding for RVC.

### Option 5

Would increase funding by \$5.9 million. The current amount RVC has invested in the project is \$18 million, plus \$3.5 million for FFE. Option 5 would increase the investment to \$23.9 million. This additional cost would need to be funded by additional bonds.

# QUESTIONS



## Project: Bid 25-18 Boiler Replacement - Construction 2025-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

\*Denotes updated information from last presentation

\$31,022.00

Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total
*1	This change order removes the contingency unused from the contract.	12/18/2025	\$ (31,022.00)	\$ (31,022.00)	Approved	12/18/2025	HELM	\$0.00



## Project: Securities Upgrade - Phase 1 - Construction 2025-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

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								\$ 40,092.00	\$ 441,015.00
Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Contract Value
1	Update 1 Door at BELL from NDE to AD400 on PIM. Add 2 SSB Doors to scope of work for NDE Locks, and associated integration.	5/16/2025	\$ 15,390.00	\$ 15,390.00	Approved	5/22/2025	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	\$24,702.00	\$ 441,015.00
02	Contingency use for SBH - add (3) WaterBug sensors at 3 locations in Ground floor; SSB wire and install (4) Bosch Motion Sensors for the M and W shop areas.	10/28/2025	\$ 8,019.00	\$ 8,019.00	Approved	11/5/2025	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	\$16,683.00	\$ 441,015.00
* 03	Deduct Change order to deduct unused Contingency funds from the contract. This reduces the Contract Value.	12/16/2025	\$ (16,683.00)	\$ (16,683.00)	Approved	12/16/2025	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	\$0.00	\$ 424,332.00

## Project: RFP 25-20 Fire Alarm Phase 1 - Construction 2025-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

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\$52,500.00									Contract Value
									\$ 577,500.00
Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Contract Value Running Total
1	Data Line replacement - run two data cables to panel in BH for fire alarm to communicate without using pots line	10/16/2025	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	Approved	10/21/2025	P&H ELECTRIC	\$51,700.00	\$577,500.00
* 2	Deduct the Remaining Contingency from the Contract, as it was unused.	12/15/2025	\$ (51,700.00)	\$ (51,700.00)	Approved	12/17/2025	P&H ELECTRIC	\$0.00	\$525,800.00

## Project: Bid 24-23 HSC 3rd Floor Buildout & 2nd Elevator - Construction 2025-2026

Committee of the Whole: 1/13/2026

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Total Contract  
\$ 203,600.00 \$ 2,272,600.00

PCO Number	Change Order Number	Description	Date Received	Amount Requested	Amount Approved	Status	Date Approved	Company Name	Contingency Running Total	Contract Running Value
PCO 4	CO 1	This is a Credit for elimination of the hat channel framing behind the wood panels at the Student Lounge (plan) south Elevation.	6/10/2025	-\$1,007.00	-\$1,007.00	Approved	6/24/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$204,607.00	
PCO 5	CO 1	Provide new Plumbing chase wall and revised toilet to be floor mounted in Gender Neutral Restroom as indicated in Response to RFI-15 and CB No.003.	6/10/2025	\$ 1,072.00	\$ 1,072.00	Approved	6/24/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$203,535.00	
PCO 6	CO 1	Provide and additional Handrail at the rear of the Elevator cab as requested by the Owner.	6/10/2025	\$ 440.00	\$ 440.00	Approved	6/24/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$203,095.00	
PCO 7	CO 2	Provide a new Hollow Metal Frame with sidelite and new wood door (LH swing) per Response to RFI-021 (Option A).	7/1/2025	\$ 2,984.00	\$ 2,984.00	Approved	7/3/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$200,111.00	
PCO 8	CO 2	Door swing	7/1/2025	\$ 2,977.00	\$ -	Rejected	7/3/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$200,111.00	
PCO 11	CO 3	Change to fluid applied waterproofing application to perimeter walls of elevator pit, in lieu of 15 mil vapor barrier.	8/14/2025	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 2,640.00	Approved	8/20/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$197,471.00	
PCO 13	CO 4	The following proposal is to provide additional flooring work to infill new doorways between corridor sheet vinyl as directed in Construction Bulletin 009.	9/30/2025	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	Approved	10/1/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$195,821.00	
PCO 14	CO 5	PCO - 14 - The following proposal is to incorporate the cost for additional steel framing, fire proofing and installation at each level around the elevator door.	9/30/2025	\$ 17,761.00	\$ 17,761.00	Approved	10/1/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$178,060.00	
PCO 10	CO 6	Provide sump alarm in elevator pit with wiring and alarm.	9/30/2025	\$ 4,211.00	\$ 4,211.00	APPROVED	10/9/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$173,849.00	
PCO 03	CO 7	Additional work associated with helical piles in 2nd Elevator shaft pit.	10/28/2025	\$ 5,271.00	\$ 5,271.00	APPROVED	11/5/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$168,578.00	

NA	CO 8	Remove scope of work related to Alternate #1, Deduct from Contract Value, to eliminate extended Maintenance from Otis Elevator supplier.	10/28/2025	\$ (33,000.00)	\$ (33,000.00)	APPROVED	10/28/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$168,578.00	\$2,239,600.00
* PCO 16	* CO 9	Provide changes to the AV Systems as directed coordinated with MARCO.	11/25/2025	\$ (485.00)	\$ (485.00)	APPROVED	11/25/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$169,063.00	\$2,239,115.00
* PCO 17	* CO 10	Total amount identified in the CO \$978.00. The credit from Change Order 09, which was \$485.00, will be added back to the contract sum amount to remove Change Order 09 from the project. The amount associated with PCO-17, which is \$493.00, will be tracked on the Continuation Sheet of the Pay Application and be subtracted from the Contingency.	12/5/2025	\$ 978.00	\$ 978.00	APPROVED	12/8/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$168,570.00	\$2,239,600.00
* PCO 12 R2	* CO 11	Provide changes to elevator fire sprinkler work and elevator electrical work as directed in Construction Bulletin 005.	12/9/2025	\$ 5,235.00	\$ 5,235.00	APPROVED	12/8/2025	STENSTROM CONSTRUCTION	\$163,335.00	\$2,239,600.00

## Solar Workstations Arrive at RVC



Thanks to a partnership with ComEd Community of the Future projects, Rock Valley College is the proud owner of four Velocity Solar Workstations.

The CampusXL workstations are fully engineered, true off-grid solar-powered charging stations integrated into an innovative structural steel package. It boasts the highest solar capacity of any charging station on the market and is extremely robust and resilient to all weather conditions.

The college is grateful to Chris Khalid, Sr. Business Program Manager at ComEd, for initiating this conversation with Dr. Spearman last summer. Since that initial conversation, Chris and his team have worked with Brittany Freiberg, in the RVC Foundation, to facilitate the donation, and Jennifer Thompson, in Communications & Marketing, on the design of the station.

The workstations were installed during winter break. There are two RVC blue (pictured above with the ComEd installation crew) and two RVC gold (yellow) stations (pictured at right).

We look forward to hosting a ribbon-cutting announcement with our ComEd partners when the Midwest weather is a bit warmer later this spring. We will share more information as we solidify those plans.



**Personnel Report**

**A. Appointments**

Dr. Jacob Markut, Chemistry Instructor, Full-time, FAC, Lane VII, Step 4, \$79,772, effective January 8, 2026.

**B. Departures**

Eric Haas, Biology Professor, Full-time Faculty, departure effective December 18, 2025.

Dr. Tabinda Azam, Biology Professor, Full-time Faculty, retirement effective May 31, 2027.

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Howard J. Spearman, Ph.D.  
President

# ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE 2026 - AT A GLANCE CAMPUS FACILITY EVENTS

Date	Event	Staff	Student	Athletic	Community
<b>January (2026)</b>					
1/3/2026	Women's & Men's Basketball Games - PEC Gym, 12pm & 2pm	x	x	x	x
1/6/2026	Adult Learner Welcome Event - SSC Atrium, 5:30pm	x	x		
1/6/2026	Women's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5:30pm	x	x	x	x
1/7/2026	Association of Fundraising Professionals - ERC 2416, 12pm				x
1/8/2026	New Student Welcome Event - SSC Atrium, 12pm	x	x		x
1/9/2026	Faculty Development Day - ATC Flex Lab, 8am	x			
1/10/2026	Rumble in the Rock - PEC Gym, 7:30am	x	x	x	x
1/10/2026	RPS 205 Hall of Fame Celebration - SSC Atrium, 1pm				x
1/15/2026	ISS Welcome Back Brunch - SSC Atrium, 10am	x	x		
1/18/2026	USBA Baseball Camp - PEC Gym, 8am	x	x	x	x
1/20/2026	Welcome Week Resource Fair - SSC Atrium, 11am	x	x		
1/21/2026	MLK Day Celebration - SSC Atrium, 11:30am	x	x		
1/22/2026	Welcome Week Club Involvement Fair - SSC Atrium, 11am	x	x		
1/24/2026	Men's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 1pm	x	x	x	x
1/25/2026	USBA Baseball Camp - PEC Gym, 8am	x	x	x	x
1/27/2026	Women's & Men's Basketball Games - PEC Gym, 5pm & 7pm	x	x	x	x
1/28/2026	Wellness Wednesday - SSC Atrium, 1pm	x	x		
1/29/2026	Women's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
1/30/2026	Women's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
<b>February</b>					
2/1/2026	USBA Baseball Camp - PEC Gym, 8am	x	x	x	x
2/2/2026	First Generation Speaker Series - SSC Atrium, 12pm	x	x		
2/3/2026	What's the Tea Tuesday - SSC Multi-cultural Center, 2pm	x	x		
2/3/2026	Women's & Men's Basketball Games - PEC Gym, 5pm & 7pm	x	x	x	x
2/3/2026	First Tuesday Lecture - SSC Atrium, 5:30pm	x	x		x
2/5/2026	Women's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
2/7/2026	Spring Scholar Success Summit - SSC Atrium, 1pm	x	x		x
2/8/2026	USBA Baseball Camp - PEC Gym, 8am	x	x	x	x
2/12/2026	CAB Valentine's Day Karaoke - SSC Atrium, 11am	x	x		
2/12/2026	Black History Month Game Day - SSC Atrium, 1:30pm	x	x		
2/12/2026	Men's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
2/14/2026	Women's & Men's Basketball Games - PEC Gym, 1pm & 3pm	x	x	x	x
2/18/2026	2026 Town Hall Meeting - SSC Atrium, 3pm	x			
2/19/2026	Men's Basketball Game - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
2/21/2026	National TRiO Day - PEC Gym, 10am	x	x		x
2/24/2026	NIU @ RVC Engineering Employer Fair - SSC Atrium, 10am	x	x		x
2/25/2026	Wellness Wednesday - SSC Atrium, 1pm	x	x		
2/26/2025	Women's Basketball Region 4 Quarter Finals - PEC Gym, 5pm	x	x	x	x
2/28/2026	ICTM Mathematics Competition - JCSM, CLI, ERC, SSC, 8am	x	x		x
<b>March</b>					
3/3/2026	First Tuesday Lecture - SSC Atrium, 5:30pm	x	x		x
3/4/2026	High School Art Show & Award Ceremony - ERC PAR, 3:30pm	x	x		x
03/04 - 03/05	Running Start Pre-Program Orientation - SSC Atrium, 5:30pm	x	x		
3/10/2026	Youth Ground Water Festival - ERC, CLI, JCSM, SSC, 8am	x	x		x
3/11/2026	CLR Movie Matinee - ERC PAR, 11:30am	x	x		
3/14/2026	Science Olympiad Regional Competition - JCSM, CLI, PEC, SSC, 7am	x	x		x
3/18/2026	Wellness Wednesday - PEC 0110, 1pm	x	x		
3/20/2026	CEANCI T & E Ed Regional Competition - ATC, 8am	x	x		x
03/20 - 03/21	Rock Valley College 2026 Jazz Festival - ERC PAR, 6pm	x	x		x
3/27/2026	Sister to Sister GLOW Conference - SSC Atrium, 9am	x	x		x