

# Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District (Arizona Western College)

Annual Budgeted Expenditure  
Limitation Report

Year Ended June 30, 2021



A Report to the Arizona Legislature

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Auditor General





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## Independent accountants' report

Members of the Arizona State Legislature

The Governing Board of  
Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District

We have examined the accompanying Annual Budgeted Expenditure Limitation Report (report) of Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the report. The District's management is responsible for presenting this report in accordance with the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System as described in Note 1. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this report based on our examination.

We conducted our examination in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether this report is presented in accordance with the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the report. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the report, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Annual Budgeted Expenditure Limitation Report referred to above is presented in accordance with the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System as described in Note 1 in all material respects.

*Donna Miller*

Donna Miller, CPA  
Director, Financial Audit Division

March 31, 2022

**Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District  
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Annual Budgeted Expenditure Limitation Report—Part I  
Year ended June 30, 2021**

1. Economic Estimates Commission expenditure limitation	\$55,310,556
2. Amount subject to the expenditure limitation (from Part II, line C)	<u>44,078,237</u>
3. Amount under the expenditure limitation	<u>\$11,232,319</u>

I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the information contained in this report is accurate and in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System.

Signature of chief fiscal officer: (Signature removed for website presentation.)

Name and title: Michelle Landis, Director of Financial Services and Controller

Telephone number: (928) 344-7522 Date: March 31, 2022

See accompanying notes to report.

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Description	Current funds			Plant funds		Total
	Unrestricted		Restricted	Unexpended	Retirement of indebtedness	
	General	Auxiliary enterprises				
A. Total budgeted expenditures	\$ 46,810,992	\$ 5,374,859	\$ 27,688,580	\$ 2,430,161	\$ 5,131,885	\$ 87,436,477
B. Less exclusions claimed:						
Debt proceeds (Note 2)				370,433		370,433
Debt service requirements (Note 3)				387,689	4,912,188	5,299,877
Dividends, interest, and gains on the sale or redemption of investment securities (Note 4)	80,984	8,140		4,247		93,371
Grants, aid, or contributions from the federal government, the State of Arizona, other political subdivisions, tribal governments, or special taxing districts (Note 5)			24,934,865			24,934,865
Grants, aid, contributions, or gifts from a private agency, organization, or individual, except amounts received in lieu of taxes			1,480,801			1,480,801
Interfund transactions (Note 6)	218,620					218,620
Amounts accumulated for the purchase of land, and the purchase or construction of buildings or improvements (Note 7)	7,401			984,267		991,668
Tuition and fees (Note 8)	6,788,274	2,009,552				8,797,826
Amounts earned through research and entrepreneurial activities (Note 9)			300			300
Amounts received from the State of Arizona for workforce development in accordance with A.R.S. §15-1472			1,170,479			1,170,479
Total exclusions claimed	<u>7,095,279</u>	<u>2,017,692</u>	<u>27,586,445</u>	<u>1,746,636</u>	<u>4,912,188</u>	<u>43,358,240</u>
C. Amounts subject to the expenditure limitation	<u>\$ 39,715,713</u>	<u>\$ 3,357,167</u>	<u>\$ 102,135</u>	<u>\$ 683,525</u>	<u>\$ 219,697</u>	<u>\$ 44,078,237</u>

See accompanying notes to report.

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Notes to Annual Budgeted Expenditure Limitation Report  
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**Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies**

The Annual Budgeted Expenditure Limitation Report (ABELR) is presented as prescribed by the Uniform Expenditure Reporting System (UERS), as required by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §41-1279.07. The ABELR excludes expenditures of certain revenues specified in the Arizona Constitution, Article IX, §21 and A.R.S §§15-792.03, 15-795.01, 15-1444, and 15-1472, as applicable, from the total budgeted expenditures.

The information reported in both the ABELR and the financial statements is derived from the same underlying accounting data. However, the formats of the ABELR and the financial statements differ. The ABELR presents budgeted expenditures, exclusions, and amounts subject to the limitation by fund type as required by A.R.S. §41-1279.07. The financial statements present the net position, changes in net position, and cash flows in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with the UERS requirements, a note to the ABELR is presented below for any exclusion reported in the total column on part II that cannot be traced directly to an amount reported in the annual financial statements.

**Note 2**

Of the \$20,051,163 reported as proceeds from the issuance of capital debt on the statement of cash flows—primary government, only \$370,433 was expended from debt issuance costs and claimed as an exclusion. The remaining \$19,680,730 of debt proceeds has been carried forward to future years.

**Note 3**

The exclusion of \$5,299,877 reported as debt service requirements consists of \$3,497,689 and \$1,802,188 reported as principal paid on capital debt and interest paid on capital debt, respectively, on the statement of cash flows—primary government.

**Note 4**

Of the \$114,359 investment earnings reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in net position—primary government, \$93,371 was expended and claimed as an exclusion reported as dividends, interest, and gains on the sale or redemption of investment securities. The remaining \$20,988 of investment earnings in the retirement of indebtedness fund was expended and claimed as an exclusion for debt service requirements.

**Note 5**

Of the \$25,387,069 reported as government grants on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position—primary government, \$24,934,865 was expended and claimed as an exclusion. The remaining \$452,204 was not excludable revenue.

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**Note 6**

The exclusion of \$218,620 claimed for interfund transactions in the general fund consists of amounts expended from indirect cost recoveries that were budgeted as general fund revenue and restricted fund and auxiliary fund expenses. These indirect cost recoveries were eliminated from the financial statements for financial reporting purposes because they do not represent transaction to external parties.

**Note 7**

The exclusion of \$991,668 claimed for amounts accumulated for the purchase of land and the purchase or construction of buildings or improvements consists of monies accumulated with the District Governing Board's approval. These funds were used for building improvements and are included in the amount reported as purchases of capital assets on the statement of cash flows—primary government.

**Note 8**

The District does not budget tuition and fees revenue net of scholarship allowances. Of the gross tuition and fees of \$11,730,434 reported on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position—primary government, \$8,797,826 was expended and claimed as an exclusion. The remaining \$2,932,608 has been carried forward to future years.

**Note 9**

Amounts received through research and entrepreneurial activities are included in other revenue on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position—primary government.



