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Dear Volunteer:
Thank you for assuming such an important role in our millage. Your support and hard work to help us pass the millage are crucial for OCC. Without additional resources, we will not be able to continue to offer educational opportunities to all of the citizens of Oakland County. And, Oakland County will not have the trained workforce it needs to enter the 21st Century.

HOWEVER, WITH YOUR HELP WE WILL PASS THIS MILLAGE. You and I understand why we need the millage; we know our internal needs well. However, now we must take this message to the public. All of us are crucial in delivering that message. If we are to gain the public's support, they must understand what our needs are and how they can support us.

As we give our efforts to this important task for the next three months, I urge you to keep the goal in mind--even when the work seems arduous and never ending. And, I commit to you my time, support, and complete focus on this task. TOGETHER, WE ARE AN UNBEATABLE TEAM.


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## Direct Mail \& Phone Call Plan of Action



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## MILLAGE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

J.P. Adams Barbara Blass
Ed Callaghan
George Cartsonis
Robert Coleman
David Doidge
Kal Hannah
Gerry Faye
Marilyn Finkle
Sam Flam
Patsy Fulton-Calkins
Ruth Grass
Gordon Henderson
Jack Inch
George Keith
Helen Kieba
Jim LaVallee
Joe Macri
Kelly Masters
Gordon May
Paul McKeogh
Doris Mosher
George Mosher
Chuck Neumann
Pam O'Malley
Steve Ogg
Marty Orlowski
Karen Pagenette
Kay Palmer
Steve Palms
Preston Pulliams
Charlie Richardson
Dick Saunders
Marty Smydra
Ron Spainhour
Shawnee Spedden
Mary Ston
Eldon Thompson
Theresa Wangler
Cathryn Weiss
Keith Wittenstrom
Chuck Yeramian

District Office
Royal Oak
District Office
District Office
Farmington Public Schools
Orchard Ridge
Orchard Ridge .
Community Alliance
Orchard Ridge
Consultant
District Office
Highland Lakes
Community Alliance
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Highland Lakes
Community Alliance
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Royal Oak
Pontiac Center
Auburn Hills
Consultant

540-1557
-544-5541
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471-7755
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626-8062
540-1532
360-3125
646-6137
471-7640
471-7532
540-1570
952-5187
552-2635
471-6392
340-6786
540-1565
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340-6644
489-3349
340-6696
471-7746
340-6787
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496-7524
360-3032
544-5533
340-6537
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360-3015
952-5187
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552-2669
340-6842
340-6631
540-1852

## TARGET GROUPS AND LEADERS

1) Plan and implement the strategy set forth by the leader.
2) Report weekly through E-mail, voice mail, or in person on the status of the activity.

Reporting Structure
The following group leaders report to Dan Jaksen:

1) Vendors - Ed Callaghan/J.P. Adams
2) Adjunct Faculty - Chuck Yermian
3) Adult Learning Institute - George Keith
4) Employees - Ed Callaghan
5) Students - Kal Hannah/Kelly Masters/Paul McKeogh
6) Program Advisory Committees - Dave Dodge
7) AAUW - Doris Mosher
8) Jewish Community - Marilyn Finkle
9) MEA - Gerry Faye

The following group leaders report to Patsy Fulton-Calkins:

1) Public Safety/Police/Fire - Joe Macri
2) Athletes/Former Athletes/Facility Users - Steve Ogg
3) Literacy Group - Gordon May
4) Business/Industry - Patsy Fulton-Calkins
5) Health Occupations - Theresa Wangler

## SITE COORDINATOR'S DUTIES

1. Develop and implement plan for receiving 30 commitment cards from each employee at your specific location.

Timeline: Commitment cards to be collected by site coordinator, with first 10 collected by January 31 and all 30 collected by February 22.

Cards sent to Jim LaVallee at SOC for input.
GOTV calls to be made the last 5 or 6 days by telemarketing firm; THIS PORTION IS NOT THE SITE COORDINATOR'S RESPONSIBILITY.
2. Identify and secure commitment from approximately 50 to 60 people to make telephone calls to undecided voters. Number of people needed will be dependent on number of nights people work, hours, number of calls which can be made, and so forth.

Timeframe:
Identification of sites by December 23 and volunteers by January 20. Calls to be made from February 6 through March 3. Calls are made Monday through Thursday evenings and Saturday and Sunday mid-day.

Ideal work load:
Assumptions:
50,000 advocacy phone calls to be made
3,333 total phone call volunteer hours
Four week time frame
Five sites with 15 phones each
Per week phone call load for each site:
2,500 phone calls
24 hours of calling time (Mon.-Thr. 12 hours, Sat. \& Sun. 12 hours) 15 calls per hour 360 calls per phone per week

7 phones per week per site calling 24 hours 168 volunteer hours needed per week per site

Information from calls to be reported each night to Jim LaVallee.

Follow-up advocacy piece to be sent to individuals who have committed; GOTV calls to be made to undecideds who have committed. THIS PORTION IS NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SITE COORDINATOR.

## REPORTING STRUCTURE FOR SITE COORDINATORS

Through campus presidents to Dan Jaksen
Auburn Hills--Chuck Neumann, Keith Wittenstrom, Mary Ston
Orchard Ridge--Jack Inch, Pam O'Mally, Robert Coleman
District Office--Ed Callaghan, Marty Orlowski, Kay Palmer

## Through campus presidents to Patsy Fulton

Highland Lakes--Ruth Grass and Ron Spainhour
Royal Oak/Southfield--Theresa Wangler, Barb Blass, Charlie Richardson
Pontiac Center--Gordon May, Karen Pagenette, Cathryn Weiss

## GENERAL SCRIPT

In 30 years OCC has not sought to increase the single mill it was authorized to level---but even that one mill isn't what it used to be. Let me give you some examples:
. Inflation has so eroded the tax levy that it now provides less than a quarter of what it did 30 years ago.
. Tax limitation legislation enacted in the 80 s has reduced the mill by about 15 percent; rather than a mill, we now levy . 8522 of one mill which means a loss in revenue for OCC of $\$ 24$ million since 1987.

In spite of this OCC has managed to provide valuable educational opportunities to citizens of this county. We add value in numerous ways to Oakland County. Here are a few of those ways:

Provide educational opportunities for over 32,000 students in our largest semester. Over a period of 30 years, we have provided educational opportunities for 300,000 students. And, 118,000 of these students are still in Oakland County.
. Transfer 35 to 45 percent of our students to the universities and in the process provide these students with quality courses (according to a statewide study, our students do as well or better than the students who begin at the university) at a tuition rate affordable for individuals within our
county (roughly one-half of the university rate--and residence hall costs have not been considered here).
. Provide training and retraining for over employees of over 300 businesses each year, with this training being provided at the business location as well as at the college.
. Collaborate with both business and government in addressing the social and economic problems of Oakland County; e.g., Business Roundtable, Pontiac Economic Recovery Committee, collaborations with local independent school districts.

Contribute to the economy of Oakland County. An Economic Impact Study done in 1992 reveals that:

- Oakland Community College has a direct impact of $\$ 145$ million dollars on the economy of Oakland County.
- Oakland Community College generated 5,816 full-time jobs within the county.
- For every dollar of taxpayer support, an additional $\$ 12.45$ was generated within the local economy.
- For every dollar spent by the state in support of OCC, $\$ 19.55$ was returned to Michigan's economy.
. Contribute to the quality of life in Oakland County by offering cultural events, recreational classes and activities, and lifelong learning courses.

OCC has also managed its resources very well over the last three decades.
. We have grown from two to five campuses, while enrolling more than 300,000 students--the equivalent of one quarter of Oakland County's population. We are now the largest of the 29 community colleges in the state.

Furthermore, we have implemented cost savings programs such as early retirement plans, reducing starting salaries for new personnel, elimination of positions, energy efficiency projects, and so forth.

Now, however, we're at the end of the line. Without the steady source of additional funding that only a millage increase can provide, OCC will be unable to help Oakland County meet the challenges of the new century: We will not be able to provide the programs, the personnel, the equipment, nor the facilities necessary to be a viable educational entity for the 21 st Century.

Now let's turn to the ways the college will use new revenues:
. Provide training and retraining programs which allow our students to become gainfully employed workers, meeting 21st Century demands.
. Expand our capacity to accommodate students in high priority programs such as manufacturing technology, nursing, police, fire and emergency medical technology training.
. Provide state-of-the-art equipment in all programs.
. Bring our informational technologies into the 21st Century by upgrading mainframe hard and software, establishing wiring networks with area industries, universities, K-12 districts, and libraries.
. Keep tuition affordable.
. Provide scholarship access and funding to deserving students.
. Restore and improve our present facilities; catch up on long-deferred maintenance.

The citizens of Oakland County put OCC on a sound financial and educational course when they founded the college in the 1960s. Now the time has come to put OCC in a position to meet the demands of the 21 st Century.

## ELECTION BALLOT FACTS

## What is the ballot proposal?

Oakland Community College will be asking the voters to approve a one mill increase in property taxes. However, this one mill will equate to approximately 8522 with the rollback. This increase is the first request for an increase in the college's 30 year history.

How many mills does the college levy now?
The college levies . 8522 of one mill, which is the lowest funding level for any of the 29 community colleges in the state (see Table I).

Why does the college need a millage increase?
There are three basic reasons, which are:
. Growth: OCC began in September, 1965, with 3,860 students and two campuses. Today, OCC IS THE LARGEST OF THE 29 COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN MICHIGAN, with an enrollment of more than 30,000 students and five campuses, an extension center in downtown Pontiac, and an administrative center.
. Inflation: Inflation has so eroded the tax levy that it now provides less than a quarter of what it did 30 years ago. Additionally, tax limitation legislation has cost OCC over $\$ 24$ million in lost revenue during the past seven years.
. Decrease in percentage of state dollars: The percentage of the state's contribution to our budget has continued to decrease. Today, we receive far less dollars from the state per fiscal year equated student than any community college in Michigan. In fact, we receive $\$ 900$ below the state average. (See Table 2)

Is the millage the college's sole source of revenue?
No, OCC is funded through three primary sources- state appropriations, the millage, and tuition. State appropriations make up 24 percent of our revenue, tuition and fees 38 percent, and property tax 36 percent, with other sources making up 2 percent.

What annual amount is raised by the present millage?
The annual amount raised is $\$ 26$ million at . 8522 of one mill.

Can the college make up for the declining value of the $\mathbf{. 8 5 2 2}$ of one mill through its other remaining sources of funding?

No! Twenty years ago, the state's contribution to OCC made up nearly 41 percent of our operating budget; today that figure is down to 24 percent. In 1974 tuition and fees constituted 21 percent of our budget; today that percent has nearly doubled to 38 percent. If we continue to raise tuition and fees, we risk pricing many lower and middle income Oakland County families out of higher education. We also don't expect the state to significantly increase its budget for higher education in the years ahead.

How does OCC's share of the state's higher education appropriation compare with other community colleges in Michigan?

Although Oakland Community College is the largest of the 29 community colleges in the state, we receive the lowest amount of state aid per.FTE (see Table 2).

What has the college done to address the decline in revenues?
Over the last five years, OCC has aggressively searched for ways to streamline its operation. It has cut $\$ 6.5$ million from its budget over the last three years, cut administrative costs, implemented cost savings programs such as early retirement plans, reduced starting salaries for new personnel, eliminated positions, implemented energy efficiency projects, and so forth.

Tuition and fees have been raised. We have deferred much needed maintenance on many of our buildings. We have also aggressively gone after grants and increased our partnership efforts with the business community.

Why aren't the college's cost cutting efforts enough to make a millage increase unnecessary?

Because, there isn't much more we can do without severely damaging the quality of our educational programs. We have more than $\$ 40$ million in deferred maintenance expenses. We must upgrade our technical facilities and revise programs and institute new ones in order to prepare Oakland County residents for the jobs of the future.

How much money would a one mill increase generate?
The mill would be rolled back to .8522 (or less depending on inflation) and would generate approximately $\$ 26$ million a year.

If a millage were to pass in March 95, at what time would the first fiscal year's increase be collected?

We would levy the millage in April; we would receive the money for the 95-96 budget year.

How would the money generated by a millage increase be spent?
. Provide training and retraining programs which allow our students to become gainfully employed workers, meeting 21st Century demands.
. Expand our capacity to accommodate students in high priority programs such as manufacturing technology, nǜsing, police, fire and emergency medical technology training.
. Provide state-of-the-art equipment in all programs.
. Bring our informational technologies into the 21st Century by upgrading computer hardware and software; establishing wiring networks with area industries, universities, K-12 districts, and libraries.
. Provide scholarship access and funding to deserving students.
. Restore and improve our present facilities; catch up on long-deferred maintenance.
. Keep tuition affordable.

## How did Proposal A affect OCC?

Proposal A did not affect OCC. This legislation affected the $K$ - 12 districts-not the community colleges and universities.

When is the election?
March 16, 1995
Why is it on Thursday?
We merely chose a day when there was no other issue on the ballot. It could have been another day. Our major concern was that it must be voted on prior to the April millage levy deadline.

## Do's And Don'ts For A Millage Campaign

The Community Alliance for Oakland's Future as a non-public body can expend funds raised through private donations to support a millage campaign.

An institution of public education cannot rent or lease public facilities (college buildings, public offices, etc..) to an independent political ballot committee.

An institution of public education cannot give or loan to an independent political ballot committee paper, pencils, duplicating equipment, printing supplies and other sundry items.

An institution of public education cannot provide or loan to an independent political ballot committee services such as secretarial, computer operators and assistants to generate registered voters lists, labels, etc.

An institution of public education cannot solicit during business hours volunteers such as students or by telephone solicit private individuals and or public/private enterprises, labor unions, etc... in advocacy for or against a ballot proposal.

Public funds, public vehicles, gasoline or charge cards entrusted to a public officials cannot be utilized in advocacy for or against a ballot proposal.

An institution of public education or any other public employee while receiving compensation (salary, pay, etc..) cannot campaign for or against a ballot proposal. (need to check exactly when this applies)

## ELECTION DAY

No campaign information may be available inside the school. Any information provided must be at least 100 feet outside the entrance to the building. Likewise, any volunteers serving coffee, if provided, may not engage voters in conversation about issues or wear or display any campaign information.

The college may make information about the college or school district available to voters. This information should not be placed directly outside the space where voting is taking place, but may be more appropriately placed in entranceways, near the office, etc..

TABLE 1
STATE AID
PER FISCAL YEAR EQUATED STUDENT (FYES) FISCAL YEAR 1992-93

| RANK | INSTITUTION | EXPENDITURES <br> PER FYES |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | Highland Park | $\$ 4,026$ |
| 2 | Gogebic | $\$ 3,882$ |
| 3 | Wayne County | $\$ 3,725$ |
| 4 | Kirtland | $\$ 2,719$ |
| 5 | Jackson | $\$ 2,513$ |
| 6 | Alpena | $\$ 2,476$ |
| 7 | Southwestern | $\$ 2,262$ |
| 8 | Muskegon | $\$ 2,185$ |
| 9 | Northwestern | $\$ 2,161$ |
| 10 | Henry Ford | $\$ 2,108$ |
| 11 | Montcalm | $\$ 2,087$ |
| 12 | Mid Michigan | $\$ 1,964$ |
| 13 | Lansing | $\$ 1,950$ |
| 14 | Kellogg | $\$ 1,923$ |
| 15 | St. Clair | $\$ 1,884$ |
| 16 | Glen Oaks | $\$ 1,812$ |
| 17 | West Shore | $\$ 1,809$ |
| 18 | STATE AVERAGE | $\$ 1,804$ |
| 19 | Bay De Noc | $\$ 1,776$ |
| 20 | North Central | $\$ 1,739$ |
| 21 | Macomb | $\$ 1,720$ |
| 22 | Lake Michigan | $\$ 1,671$ |
| 23 | Grand Rapids | $\$ 1,663$ |
| 24 | Mott | $\$ 1,550$ |
| 25 | Schoolcraft | $\$ 1,541$ |
| 26 | Delta | $\$ 1,472$ |
| 27 | Washtenaw | $\$ 1,373$ |
| 28 | Kalamazoo Valley | $\$ 1,336$ |
| 29 | Monroe | $\$ 1,200$ |
| 30 | Oakland | $\$ 983$ |

Source: Table 25C, 1992-93 ACS Data Book

TABLE 2
TUITION RATES FOR MICHIGAN
COMMUNITY COLLEGES
(Highest to Lowest, In-district Only) 1994-95

COLLEGE
RATE
HIGHLAND PARK

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\$ 55.00
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WAYNE
54.00

DELTA
52.50

MOTT
ST. CLAIR
BAY DE NOC
GRAND RAPIDS
WASHTENAW
NORTHWESTERN
MACOMB
OARLAND
HENRY FORD
JACKSON
MONTCALM
SCHOOLCRAFT
ALPENA
MID MICHIGAN
KIRTLAND
52.00
52.00
51.00
50.00
50.00
49.25
48.50
46.00
45.00
45.00
45.00
45.00
44.00

WEST SHORE
GLEN OAKS
LANSING
44.00

NORTH CENTRAL
SOUTHWESTERN
KELLOGG
LAKE MICHIGAN
MUSKEGON
43.00

MONROE
43.00

KALAMAZOO
42.00

GOGEBIC
42.00
42.00
41.00
39.50
39.00
39.00
34.50
34.00
32.00

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TABLE 3

## GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES PER FISCAL YEAR EQUATED STUDENT (FYES) FISCAL YEAR 1992-93

| RANK | INSTITUTION | EXPENDITURES <br> PER FYES |
| :---: | :--- | ---: |
| 1 | Kirtland | $\$ 6,168$ |
| 2 | West Shore | $\$ 6,103$ |
| 3 | Glen Oaks | $\$ 6,046$ |
| 4 | Wayne County | $\$ 5,944$ |
| 5 | Gogebic | $\$ 5,711$ |
| 6 | Lake Michigan | $\$ 5,604$ |
| 7 | Washtenaw | $\$ 5,540$ |
| 8 | St. Clair | $\$ 5,508$ |
| 9 | Monroe | $\$ 5,429$ |
| 10 | Henry Ford | $\$ 5,312$ |
| 11 | Northwestern | $\$ 5,299$ |
| 12 | Montcalm | $\$ 5,146$ |
| 13 | Schoolcraft | $\$ 5,139$ |
| 14 | Kellogg | $\$ 5,035$ |
| 15 | . Delta | $\$ 4,934$ |
| 16 | Mid Michigan | $\$ 4,890$ |
| 17 | Jackson | $\$ 4,880$ |
| 18 | Alpena | $\$ 4,872$ |
| 19 | Grand Rapids | $\$ 4,863$ |
| 20 | Muskegon | $\$ 4,822$ |
| 21 | STATE AVERAGE | $\$ 4,709$ |
| 22 | Mott | $\$ 4,643$ |
| 23 | North Central | $\$ 4,353$ |
| 24 | Lansing | $\$ 4,345$ |
| 25 | Highland Park | $\$ 4,239$ |
| 26 | Bay De Noc | $\$ 4,158$ |
| 27 | Macomb | $\$ 4,117$ |
| 28 | Southwestern | $\$ 4,115$ |
| 29 | Oakland | $\$ 3,920$ |
| 30 | Kalamazoo Valley | $\$ 3,441$ |
| Source: | Table 31, 1992-93 ACS Data Book |  |

TABLE 4
OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
REVENUE PER FYES
-INDEXED TO HEPI
-INDEXED TO CPI

| FISCAL YEAR | FYES | SEV per FYES (000's) | REVENUE per FYES | $\begin{gathered} \text { CONSTANT } \\ 1993 \text { \$ } \\ \text { INDEXED } \\ \text { to CPI } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { CONSTANT } \\ 1993 \text { \$ } \\ \text { INDEXED } \\ \text { to HEPi } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1965-66 | 2681 | \$914 | \$1,534 | \$6,838 | \$7,767 |
| 1977-78 | 10494 | \$728 | \$2,020 | \$4,602 | \$4,853 |
| 1987-88 | 15468 | \$1,163 | \$3,174 | \$3,908 | \$3,988 |

FYES: Fiscal-Year-Equated Students; total student credit hours divided by 31
SEV: State Equallzed Valuation of taxable property in OCC district
CPI: Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (12/mo avg.)
HEPI: Higher Education Price Index

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| COLLEGE | FYES | FTE | FYES/FTE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alpena | 1445 | 52.69 | 27.42 |
| Bay De Noc | 1698 | 43.00 | 39.49 |
| Delta | 7098 | 203.90 | 34.81 |
| Glen Oaks | 824 | 29.00 | 28.41 |
| Gogebic | 835 | 37.39 | 22.33 |
| Grand Rapids | 8701 | 201.70 | 43.14 |
| Henry Ford | 7628 | 187.92 | 40.59 |
| Highland Park | 1393 | 27.00 | 51.59 |
| Jackson | 3918 | 93.50 | 41.90 |
| Kalamazoo Valley | 5256 | 103.84 | 50.62 |
| Kellogg | 3293 | 91.30 | 36.07 |
| Kirtiand | 927 | 35.00 | 26.48 |
| Lake Michigan | 2081 | 54.43 | 38.23 |
| Lansing | 11931 | 196.10 | 60.84 |
| Macomb | 14638 | 280.50 | 52.19 |
| Mid Michigan | 1396 | 30.50 | 45.77 |
| Monroe | 2156 | 53.00 | 40.68 |
| Montcalm | 1132 | 26.00 | 43.54 |
| Mott | 7358 | 154.60 | 47.59 |
| Muskegeon | 3039 | 87.30 | 34.81 |
| North Central | 1213 | 28.00 | 43.32 |
| Northwestern | 2848 | 100.90 | 28.23 |
| Oakland | 17055 | 248.20 | 68.71 |
| Schoolcraft | 5531 | 113.10 | 48.90 |
| Southweatern | 1925 | 42.40 | 45.40 |
| St. Clatr | 2790 | 80.20 | 34.79 |
| Washtenaw | 5799 | 156.72 | 37.00 |
| Wayne | 5762 | 121.00 | 47.62 |
| Westshore' | 873 | 26.50 | 32.94 |

Table 6
Oakland Community College
History of Millage Levies

| FISCAL YEAR | OPERATING MILLAGE | DEBT <br> MILLAGE | TOTAL mILLAGE | AVERAGE DEBT MILLAGE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1965-66 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.0000 |  | 1 |
| 1966-67 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 2 |
| 1967-68 | 1.0000 | 0.5000 | 1.5000 | 0.1667 | 3 |
| 1968-69 | 1.0000 | 0.5000 | 1.5000 | 0.2500 | 4 |
| 1969-70 | 1.0000 | 0.5000 | 1.5000 | 0.3000 | 5 |
| 1970-71 | 1.0000 | 0.3500 | 1.3500 | 0.3083 | 6 |
| 1971-72 | 1.0000 | 0.3000 | 1.3000 | 0.3071 | 7 |
| 1972-73 | 1.0000 | 0.3500 | 1.3500 | 0.3125 | 8 |
| 1973-74 | 1.0000 | 0.3500 | 1.3500 | 0.3167 | 9 |
| 1974-75 | 1.0000 | 0.3500 | 1.3500 | 0.3200 | 10 |
| 1975-76 | 1.0000 | 0.3250 | 1.3250 | 0.3205 | 11. |
| 1976-77 | 1.0000 | 0.4000 | 1.4000 | 0.3271 | 12 |
| 1977-78 | 1.0000 | 0.4000 | 1.4000 | 0.3327 | 13 |
| 1978-79 | 1.0000 | 0.4000 | 1.4000 | 0.3375 | 14 |
| 1979-80 | 1.0000 | 0.7000 | 1.7000 | 0.3617 | 15 |
| 1980-81 | 1.0000 | 0.7000 | 1.7000 | 0.3828 | 16 |
| 1981-82 | 1.0000 | 0.5500 | 1.5500 | 0.3926 | 17 |
| 1982-83 | 1.0000 | 0.5000 | 1.5000 | 0.3986 | 18 |
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| 1993-94 | 0.8522 | 0.2000 | 1.0522 | 0.3819 | 29 |
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Note: Headlee Amendment's first impact was on Fiscal Year 1987-88.

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Holland Center, 469 Martin Luther King Blvd. S. Jefferson Junior High School, 600 Motor
Rogers School, 2600 Dexter Jefferson Junior High Schoo1, 600 Motor

Baldwin Elementary, 4325 Bannister North Hill Elementary, 1385 Mahaffy Meadow Brook Elementary, 2350 Munster Long Meadow Elementary, 450 Allston McGregor Elementary, íol First Hugger Elementary, 5050 Sheldon Road Hamlin Elementary, 270 Hamlin Road Brooklands Elementary, 480 E. Auburn University Hills Elementary, 1600 Croydon Brewster Elementary, 1535 . Brewster. Road Musson Elementary, 3500 Dutton Road

Oakland Community College, $739^{\circ} \mathrm{S}$. Washington Franklin School, 1115 Mohawk Avenue Oakland School, 2415 Brockton Averue Lincoln School, 1901 E. Eleven Mile Road Franklin School, 1115 Mohawk Avenue Fire Station \#1, 221 E. Sixth Street Longfellow School, 303 Maxwell Avenue Dondero High SChool, 709 N. Washington Avenue Whittier School, 815 E . Farnum Avenue Whittier School, 815 E . Farnum Avenue Lincoln School, 1901 E. Eleven Mile Road Helen Keller Jr. High, 1505 N. Capmpbell Road Northwood School, 926 W. Twelve Mile Road Shrine Grade School, 1621 Linwood Avenue Jane Addams School, 2200 W. Webster Road Northwood School, 926 W. Twelve Mile Road Lockman School, 1426 Bellaire Avenue Churchill School, 707 Girard Avenue Fire Station $\# 2,1411$ W. Webster Road Starr School, 3412 Devon Road Jane Addams School, 2200 W. Webster Road Jane Addams School, 2200 W. Webster Road Parker School, 3704 W . Thirteen Mile Road Parker School, 3704 W. Thirteen Mile Road Starr School, 3412 Devon Road Kimball High School, 1500 Lexington Avenue Oak Ridge School, 506 E. Thirteen Mile Road Mark Twain School, 4600 N. Campbell Road Mark Twain School, 4600 N. Campbell Road S. E. Dakland Vocational Center, 5055 Delemere Avenue Upton School, 4400 Mandalay Avenue
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S. E. Oakland Vocational Center, 5055 Delemere Avenue

Adler Elementary School, 19100 Filmore
Brace/Lederle Elementary School, 18575 W. Nine Mile Road
Eisenhower Elementary School, 24500 Larkins
Kennedy Elementary School, 16299 Mt. Vernon
Leonhard Elementary School, 20900 Independence
MacArthur Elementary School, 24501 Fredrick
McIntyre Elementary School, 19600 Saratoga
Child Development Center, 19080 W . Twelve Mile
Schoenhals Elementary School, 16500 Lincoln
Stevenson Elementary School, 27777 Lahser
Vandenberg Elementary School, 16100 Edwards
Community Education Center, 310 North Warren Street
Ann L. Dolsen Elementary School, 56775 Rice Street
Salem Elementary School, 7806 Sal lem Road

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|  | 2 | Mobile Home Villa Clubhouse, 2100 Stephenson |
|  | 3 | Smith Middle School, 5835 Donaldson |
|  | 5 | Village Green, 2869 Troy Center Drive |
|  | 6 | Baker Middle School, 1291 Torpey |
|  | 7 | DPW Building, 4693 Rochester Road |
|  | 8 | Costello School, 1333 Hamman |
|  | 9 | Troy Union School, 1340 E. Square Lake |
|  | 11 | Morse School, 475 Cherry |
|  | 12 | Hamilton School, 5625 Northfield Parkway |
|  | 13 | Community Building, 1911 Somerset |
|  | 14 | Schroeder School, 3541 Jack |
|  | 15 | Fire Station \#2, 5600 Livernois |
|  | 17 | Leonard School, 4401 Tallman |
|  | 18 | Wattles School, 3555 Ellenboro |
|  | 19 | Pembroke School, 955 North Eton |
|  | 20 | Fire Training Center, 1400 E . Big Beaver |
|  | 21 | Hill School, 4600 Forsyth |
|  | 22 | Fire Station \#5, 6367 John R |
|  | 23 | Walsh College, 3838 Livernois* |
|  | 24 | Schroeder Schoot, 3541 Jack |
|  | 25 | Northfield Hills Clubhouse, 1750 Brentwood |
|  | 27 | Martell School, 5666 Livernois |
|  | 28 | Bemis School, 3571 Northfield Parkway |
|  | 29 | Boulan Middle School, 3570 Northfield Parkway |
|  | 30 | First Baptist Church, 2601 John R |
|  | 31 | Barnard School, 3601 Forge |
|  | 32 | Wass School, 2340 Willard |
| WALLED LAKE | 1 | Community Education Center Building, 615 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake |
|  | 2 | Keith Elementary School, 2800 Keith Road, West Bloomfield |
|  | 3 | Commerce Elementary School, 520 Farr, Commerce Township |
|  | 4 | Wixom Elementary School, 301 N . Wixom Road, Wixom |
|  | 5 | Glengary Elementary School, 3070 Woodbury, Walled Lake |
|  | 6 | Twin Beach Elementary School, 7149 Oakley Park Road, W. Bloomfield |
|  | 7 | Dublin Elementary School, 9260 Sandyside, White Lake |
|  | 8 | Oakley Park Elementary School, 2015 Oakley Park, Walled Lake |
|  | 9 | Maple Elementary School, 7389 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield |
| WATERFORD | 1 | Henry R. Schoolcraft School, 6400 Maceday Drive |
|  | 2 | David Grayson Community School, 3800 W. Walton Blvd. |
|  | 3 | Steven T. Mason Middle School, 3835 W. Walton Blvd. |
|  | 4 | John D. Pierce Middle School, 5145 Hatchery Road |
|  | 5 | Della Lutes School, 5195 Pontiac Lake Road |
|  | 6 | Waterford Training Institute, 1150 Scott Lake Road |
|  | 7 | Eliza Seaman Leggett School, 3621 Pontiac Lake Road |
|  | 8 | Donelson School, 1200 West Huron Street |
|  | 9 | Four Towns Community School, 6370 Cooley Lake Road |
|  | 10 | Douglass Houghton School, 8080 Elizabeth Lake Road |
| WEST• BLOOMFIELD | D . 1 | Roosevelt School, 2065 Cass Lake Road |
|  | 2 | Scotch School, 5959 Commerce Road |
|  | 3 | Green School, 4500 Walnut Lake Road |
|  | 4 | Ealy School, 5475 W. Maple Road |
|  | 5 | Doherty School, 3575 Walnut Lake Road |

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VICE CHANCELLOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
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[ ] For your approval.
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COMMENTS:

## MIIIAGE PLAN OR ACIION

 FIRST DRAFTTheraen ${ }^{\text {Advance the Future - Support OCC" }}$ Strategy: Target "Yes" and Undecided Votes


Campaiga Managemente. A campaign manager will be identified as soon as possible. Jim LaVelle will be contacted; Craig will dentify other possibilities. Decision due week of November 21st.

## Phone Bank:

100,000 phone calls to be made
Calling Timeframe: January 3 - March 3 ( 9 weeks)
Calling Days: Sunday chrough Thursday
Calling Hours: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## Database for Calle:

38,050 registered likely "yes" voters from former students, employees, family and friends and new/eurrent students, plus the 71,400 registered but unlikely to vore from this same group.

Marty will begin to work on the criteria to identify the most likely 100,000 out of the 118,000 former students to call, based on region, likelihood of voting and number of credits earned at OCC.

Marty and Craig will work on the strategy to approach the stubbornly undecided.
Number of Phone Lines Needed for 100,000 Colls:
45 days $\times 3 \mathrm{hrs} /$ day $\times 10$ calls/hr ar 1,350 calls
100,000 calls $\div 1,350$ calls/phone line $=75$ lines $\div 5$ sites $=15$ lines/center

## Number of Volunteers for Phone Banks:

Maximum volunteers is 375 (a volunteer working one day per week, or 30 hrs over 9 weeks).

Assuming $1 / 3$ of the volunteers work two nights (or 60 hours over 9 wreeks), the minimum we need is approximately 250 volunteers.

## Maximum volunteers per site: 75

Minimum volunteers per site: 50
Theme for volunteer participation "Thirty Hours for Thirty Years": possibly give out buttons with theme to voluntear participants.

## Training Needed for Phone Solicitors: Pep Talk

Telephone Script
Do's and Don'ts of Calling
Training will have to be done on an ongoing basis for several weeks because of the number of volunteers.

Each site will have to have a supervisor working each night.
Marty Orlowski will talk to the Republican phone center to see how they coordinate remote site operations. Marty and Craig will discuss with Jim LaVelie the technology needed so connect phone numbers and mailing labels. Marty will contact John Valentine and include someone from John's staff in the discussions.

The five phone sites need to be identified immediately. Some of Patsy's suggested contacts: Bill Roberts

Florine Marks
Henry Saad
SOC
Ben Maibach
Chrysler

## Fall-Back Strategy for Voluntesre:

If the College is not able to recruit all of the volunteers it needs, professional telemarketers will be hired. The assumption is that a maximum of 125 volunteers (or 3,750 hours of paid time) will be needed.

Craig will talk with Jin LaVelle next week to identify potential telemarketing firms, supervisors and telemarketers.

## Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Phone Calls:

Contract with professional telemarketers to make 60,000 "yes" calls the last week before the election.

## Tareat Marketss

Target markets to be approsched will be finalized by Dan Jaksen this week.

## Approach to Tagget Markets:

The targeted groups will be contacted individually. A presentation of either overheads or high resolution slides will be prepared, along with a very short 3 -page handout. These will provide for consistency of messags which is the most important aspect of the presentation. The individuals responsible for presenting to targeted groups will receive special training by the end of November. Dan Jaksen will arrange the meeting.

## Business, Political and Media Tareets

Patsy has identified businesspersons to participate as a Blue Ribbon Panel supporting the millage. She will use them to advise her on the campaign and to sign commitment cards.

Patsy is organizing a Blue Ribbon Legislative Panel for the same purpose. George Cartsonis will idencify the legislators by December 1st. Patsy will hold a luncheon in Lansing to ask for support and signed commitment cards.

Patsy has a list of print and broadeast media to contact to give them the facts of the millage so that they do not form uninformed opinions.

Patsy and Brooks Patterson are going to the Detroit Papers; Patsy is going individually to local papers such as The Tribune, Oakland Press, Eccentric, Craines, and Spinal Column. She will use other contacts to arrange meetings with newspaper targets such as Phil Powers, Bob Talbert and Pete Waldemeier. She will also meet with McCarthy from WJR, and editorial staff from Channel 7 (Greisdorn), Channel 2 (Frankel), and Channel 4 (Frank). These meetings will take place between now and January 15th.

## Printed Materials:

Dan Jaksen and Rick Sykes will develop:

- a general information brochure
- first mailing with case statement for millage
- generic commitment cards supporting millage
- pamphlets for windshiclds
- pamphlets or leaflets to be handed out on campus
- question and answer piece for targeted groups
- telephone script
- modifications to telephone script for different constituencies
- promotional piece to absentee voters who request ballot
- second mailing to telephone contacts
- third mailing to telephone contacts

Craig will set the strategy for the second and third mailings to telephone contacts.

## Approach to Studenta

Campuses will recruit volunteer to become deputy registrars to register voters prior to the election. The registrars must receive training and the registration must be completed within 45 days of the election (Craig to verify this timeframe).

Student activities staff will assist in organizing student-to-student advocacy, registration efforts, leaflet and pamphlet distributions, etc. The coordination of these activities will be handled by the campaign manager. No election promotion will be done in the classroom by faculty. Dan Jaksen will organize the student activities staff meeting by the end of the month.

## Other_Assipaments

Chuck Yeramian is the liaison with the school district business managers who will conduct the election. He will meet with this group as needed to keep them fully informed of the College's activities.

Chuck Yeramian will also contact Shostak and others for assistance with Jewish community support for the millage election.

George Cartsonis will organize a picture campaign documenting maintenance problems on OCC campuses.

Craig and Rick will develop a list of critical questions about OCC's need for the millage for Patsy to respond to. Patsy will develop succinct written answers to the questions in preparation for media visits.

## TO:

Staff Affiliated With Civic Groups
FROM:


Vice Chancellor of Devglopment and Planning
DATE: $\quad$ October 24, 1994
SUBJECT: Members of Civic Groups

We are interested in knowing who among the college staff are active and influential members of civic groups in Oakland County. As part of the information dissemination regarding the millage effort, presentations are being planned for these groups.

If you choose and believe it would be advantageous to make such a presentation, please forward your name and affiliation to me. Include the best method of obtaining 10 minutes of time at one of your group's meetings.

Please do not proceed setting up a presentation until you have discussed this with me.
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MARTIN A. ORLOWSKI
INSTITUT'L PLANNING \& ANALYSI
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TO: | Barbara Blass | Preston Pulliams |  |
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| Ed Callaghan | Charlie Richardson |  |
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|  | Robert Coleman | Marty Smydra |
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|  | George Keith | Mary Ston |
|  | Gordon May | Barbara Wagner |
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|  | Marty Orlowski | Keith Wittenstrom |
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FROM: Patsy J. Fulton Chancellor

Daniel Jaksen
Vice Chancellor of Development and Planning
DATE: $\quad$ October 4, 1994
SUBJECT: Millage Implementation Team
An organizational meeting is scheduled for October 12, 1994, at 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the S.O.C. Credit Union in the Board Room (third floor). S.O.C. is located at 4555 Corporate Drive, Troy. A map for S.O.C. Credit Union is attached. I can't emphasize enough the importance you play in the millage effort. Please move this to your highest priority.

The agenda will be:
I. Review the Campaign Status
II. Initiate Site Activities/Committees
III. Review Research
cc: George Mosher
Attachment

## District/site Telephone Committee

Mobilize staff, faculty, volunteers to handle the required telephone banks.

* Identify potential volunteers to assist in campaign
* Contact individuals to seek support and "yes" vote.
* Get out the vote the week of March 17, 1995.

Resources: location; telephones; desks/tables; conversation guide and message.

## District /site Absentee Ballot Committee

* Identify those who will be away election day.
* Arrange/prompt applications from appropriate elections office absentee ballots.

Other committees to be determined

Meeting Summary
(September 19, 1994)

Present: Lynn Johnson, Kay Palmer, Sam Flam, George Cartsonis, Marty Orlowski, David Gruber, John Hansen, Barb Wagner

## Overview

Everyone in attendance introduced themselves and explained how they perceived their role in the millage campaign. After introductions the intended outcome of the meeting was reviewed. Each step in the millage time-line was discussed and all participants were asked to comment and identify possible missing and/or unnecessary steps. As each step was outlined, discussion constantly referred back to the underlying theme (purpose) for the millage. In general, it was felt that all the appropriate steps were included in the time-line, however, there was concern over the lack of focus and organizational structure of the campaign.

## Observations and Comments

Following is a summary of the comments and observations that D. Gruber, J. Hansen and S. Flam made throughout the meeting.

- Internal commitment must exist in order to be successful. A strong belief that we will win and a belief that the theme is appropriate.
- Site leaders need to have time to work on campaign. Do not underestimate the amount of time that it will require.
- Careful attention must be paid to the relationship between staff and site coordinators. It was suggested that co-coordinators be appointed in order to enhance communication and reduce the notion that the campaign is "top-down."
- There is a direct correlation between the amount of time spent on a campaign and the chances of success.
- Must identify what the image of OCC is in the community before going further.
- Theme must be established first, then build messages around the theme.
- Identify not only who is a likely voter, but also who are opposed voters, and why?
- What voters do not understand they vote against. Therefore, the message must be clear and not complex.
- Phased in levy equates to "you don't need it". This would require a lot of trust on the part of the voter.
- General public does not see the issues the same way as we (OCC) do. Terminology and level of understanding are different. DO NOT ASSUME that the voter understands the issue. Hence, it is extremely important to keep the campaign highly focused on the theme and messages that are simple and easy to understand.
- OCC has a "massive" base for grass root support e.g. 118,000 former students living in Oakland County, $1,000+$ employees, BPI contacts, 500 volunteers for Oakland Literacy Council, etc.

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## Recommendation

1. Establish the theme of the campaign. Theme refers to the primary underlying purpose and need for the additional 30 million dollars. In order to arrive at the appropriate theme two activities must occur: 1) Top level discussion and formulation then test theme with focus groups, and 2) conducting focus groups to identify possible themes, while top level discussions are occurring.
2. Organizational structure must not be perceived as "top..down" within the college. Co-coordinators should be identified at each site, preferably a non-administrator, who would work more clósely with staff at each site, while the President would focus more attention externally. In addition, the role and responsibilities of the steering committee in relation to site coordinators must be clearly understood by all working on the campaign.
3. There is a direct relationship between the amount of time devoted to the campaign and its ultimate success. Therefore, a full-time (paid) campaign coordinator should be appointed to attend to the day-to-day activities of the campaign. It is generally believed that Deans, Presidents and other staff do not have all the time needed, given their other duties, that is needed to devote to the campaign.

## Next Steps

Kay and Marty will meet with PSC (D. Gruber, J. Hansen) on Friday, September 23 to discuss data and reports that we (OCC) have on our public image and theme identification. We will also discuss the process for conducting focus groups to test themes. The intent of this meeting is to move forward in the fastest means possible to the identification of the theme.

# Oakland Community College <br> Meeting - Monday, September 19, 1994 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 

## AGENDA

1. Introductions (M. Orlowski)
2. Meeting Objectives (M. Orlowski)
3. Overall Strategy (B. Wagner)

- Major events (time-line)
- Themes
- Communications

4. Research Activity (M. Orlowski)

- Focus Groups
- Themes
- Participants
- Polling
- Miscellaneous Research


## MILLAGE PROGRESS CHART



TARGETS Determine target counties \& determine endorsement priorities

| Police | Fire | Alumni | Vendors | MCCC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Seniors | Students | Faculty | Admin/Mgt | Business/Industry |
| Classified | Public Safety | Other staff | Friends | Birmingham Community House |
| Chambers | School Board/Supts | County Comm | Elected Officials |  |
| Churches/all denominations | Health Occupations | Teachers |  |  |
| Service Clubs | Realtors | City Councils | Legal Community |  |
| Renters | Newspapers | Radio | Television |  |
| Other media | Occ/Walsh Alumni | Retirees Assoc. | Jaycees |  |
|  | Home owners |  | Part time faculty |  |
|  |  |  | Adult Learning Institute |  |
|  |  |  | League Women Voters |  |
|  |  |  | AAUW |  |
|  |  |  | Senior men's group |  |

## MILLAGE PROGRESS CHART

| Nov 6-12 | Nov 13-19 | Nov 20-26 | Nov 27-Dec 3 | Dec 4-10 | Dec 11-17 | Dec 18-24 | Dec 25-31 | Jan 1-7 | Jan 8-14 |
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| 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 | 1995 | 1995 |

Board Worksession on ballot language and date of election
12/19 - last date to approve resolution ballot language

Poll
Poll

Weekly Site Meetings

Information Brochures to printer
Install additional telephones at Headquarters

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan } 15-21 \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan 22-28 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan 29-Feb } 4 \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb 5-11 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb 12-18 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb 19-25 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb 26-Mar } 4 \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar 5-11 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar 12-16 } \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar } 17 \\ 1995 \end{gathered}$ |
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| Distribute information materials |  |  | Distribute collateral advocacy materials |  |  |  |  | Mail Reminder Voter Cards | Call voters |
| Meet with implementation team-community with YES voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Advisory Committee
10-day deadline for publishing "Notice of Election"
Advocacy Brochures to printer

Phones-Phones-Phones

Target absentee YES voters for absentee ballot

## Possible Themes

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1. To keep tuition low
2. To provide job specific training.
3. Economic impact in county e.g. for every $\$ 1$ of local tax, $\$$ ? is reinvested in the community
4. Success of students
5. Support for local business/manufacturing
6. Flexible, responsive to community needs
7. Opportunity at all levels of skill
8. Community resource that keeps Oakland County top in the nation/state
9. With the high cost of universities, OCC offers affordable high quality education
10. Phased in levy of millage
11. Competitiveness
12. Educational Opportunities

Note:
Test support OCC might get from the press (Oakland-Press \& Observer)

Oakland Community College
Millage Levy Phase-In
(For Discussion Only)

| Need |  | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
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| Facilities <br> -Roads <br> -Roofs <br> -Deferred maintenance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equipment <br> -Computing Hardware <br> -Software <br> -Labs |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professional Development <br> -Faculty <br> -Staff |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under Prepared_students |  |  |  |  |  |
| -Assessment <br> -Services |  |  |  |  |  |
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Identify all "needs

- Prioritize and select 3 or 4 for campaign
Possible Research Activity1. Focus Groups to test themes
- Current Students- Former Students- Business Leaders- OCC Employees- Governmental Officials

2. Polling

- Timed with major communication points
- Current Students
- Former Students- OCC Employees
- Likely Votes

3. Miscellaneous Research

- Demographics


## MILLAGE NOTES

 5/23/94- Wayne County CC (496-2670) research analyst said they did not carry out any survey prior to their August and November 1992 millage elections. Financial constraints made it impossible. They dild attempt post-election analysis to check if their public relations strategies worked - basically to bring out yes voters in the western suburbs. In the eighties they used Public Sector Consultants.
- Grand Rapids CC (616-771-4000) reported that their millage election was coordinated with the school district, (K-14 system). The school district organized the survey with state assistance. Institutional research thought it too long and complex, people put the phone down on interviewers. Some questions might be useful, they are sending a copy.
- Huron Valley did not survey but sent out PR materials to all residents and parents. We have a sample of these.

Rochester Hills in common with other cities holds lists of registered voters and they make them available at a cost of $\$ 10$ per 1000 names.

Paul Funk (313-858-0564) Director of Oakland County Computer Services said that they used to keep voter records, partially as a courtesy to cities who did not have adequate computer capabilities. It is a business they are getting out of. He knew of commercial organizations who could provide the service but did not have a direct reference.

Yee Minard (810) 352-3300. They do not have this information. She suggested that we contact R.L. Polk of Taylor, who she believed had voter registration information.

- R.L. Polk (313) 292-3200. They have head of household information where adults are 21 and older. They suggested we contact the city and county clerks' offices.

Farmington Hills, City Clerks Office (810) 473-9560. They have registration information on four cities (Waterford, Walled Lake, Kego Harbor \& Commerce township). They charge about $\$ 100$ for info. and $\$ 25$ for tapes per city (total=\$500). Information includes Name, Address and Year of Birth.

Oakland County Clerks Office (810) 858-0563. The clerk transfered me to the Computer Services Department. They have same information as the cities and they suggested that we contact each city directly.

Oakland Couty Clerks Office-Elections Office (Mr. Allen) 858-0564. Their lists are about three years out of date--they no longer have an incentive to keep them current as one of the primary uses was the generation of jury lists and this information is now more readily available elsewhere. Although they would advise against it, the old lists are available for purchase (115.00285.00, depending on which type of computer system the buyer has.)

Bureau of Elections. Referred us to the county clerks office as they do not keep voter registration lists.

June 8, 1994
Dr. Danjel A. Jaksen
Vice Chancellor of Development and Planning Oakland Community College
District Office.
2480 Opdyke Road
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## Dear Dan:

It was a pleasure meeting with you, Marty, and Kay regarding your upcoming millage election. We are confident the strategies we outlined will serve Oakland Community College well in this endeavor. This letter will serve to reiterate our ideas and describe how we might assist you in transforming them into a plan of action.

As we discussed, we believe the best strategy for OCC-given the voting public's current distaste for taxeg-is to build support first with faculty and staff, then include community constituents and voters likely to support the college, then reach out to undecided voters. This "coricentric circle" approach will emable OCC to accomplish four crucial tasks:

- Identify its base of support,
- recruit supporters to help with the campaign,
- determine the extent of public support required for passage, and
- target communication efforts to the reeds of uncommitted voters.

We recommend that OCC first undertake a series of research activities; the college has already initiated this process. Benchmark surveys of faculty, staff, and voters will help OCC determine current sentiment toward the millage issue and establish goals for the campaign. Personal interviews with key Oakland County constituents and opinion leaders will begin the process of identifying and assembling the building blocks of support. Focus groups with people unfamiliar with OCC will provide initial ideas for campaign theines and methods of effective communication with the public. This research will provide OCC with the materials needed to build a concrete plan for winning the milllage vote.

To accomplish these objectives, Public Sector Consultants is able to provide a broad array of services, ranging from informal, ongoing consultation supported by your Publlc Sector Reports subscription through the formal planning and implementation of work integral to the campaign. Potential areas of service appear to us to be the following:

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1. Strategic counsel - PSC will assist OCC in developing a campaign strategy for making effective use of traditional support while building new support among constituents and voters. The plan will include tasks and timelines for delivering the vote on election day. We recommend that key supporters be brought into the planning process to increase initial support for the campaign and the millage proposal itself. PSC can serve in an advisory role should OCC wish to prepare the plan in order to coordinate it with administrative requirements. This service can be provided to OCC as a PSR client at not cost. Alternatively, PSC can prepare the flnal document for the college with those factors in mind.
2. Polling support - PSC will assist OCC in developing surveys of OCC faculty and staff, constituents, and Oakland County voters. This will include consultation and review of questionnaires and results. PSC will conduct presentations of survey results as requested and will furnish slides, reports, and other presentation materials as needed.
3. Statistical analysis - PSC will provide statistical analyses including a profile of Oakland County voters, census tract and zip code demographics, and voting histories by precinct for relevant Oakland County or statewide elections. This information will support the survey research and enable OCC to sharply define its target audience among the voting public.
4. Constituent interviews - PSC, with OCC's assistance, will identify and interview up to 15 Oakland County constituent and opinion leaders who are considered crucial to the success of the millage issue. These personal interviews will serve the dual function of assessing constituent sentiment about the issue and inviting active involvement in the campaign from strong supporters.
5. Focus groups - PSC will conduct three focus groups to develop campaign themes and methods for communicating with voters. Two focus groups will be held with undecided Oakland County voters who are not familiar with OCC (and are likely to be undecided voters) and one will be held with potential volunteers. PSC, in consultation with OCC, will handle all details of the focus groups and will provide a written summary of each discussion.

My colleagues and I have prepared a budget estimate based on PSC completing each of the five tasks described above. This preliminary estimate is $\$ 50,000$. Before preparing a formal budget proposal for your review, you and I should meet to discuss these tasks


## OCCFA's Suggestions on How Millage Monies Might Be Directed

- Enhance support services for students.
- Hire more full-time faculty.
- Provide adequate funds for repair of existing equipment.
- Equip classrooms with "State of the Art" multi-media instructional technology.
- Provide and maintain hardware and software at a level that will keep OCC at the "cutting edge" in computer technology.
- Provide more basic instructional equipment, e.g. overhead projectors.
- Supply computers for every faculty member who needs it.
- Provide additional open computing facilities on each campus.
- Reduce class sizes in order to improve learning environment.
- Institute a testing center.
- Provide faculty and students with adequate support and parapro staff.
- Provide competitive remuneration for all college employees.
- Improve student activities (e.g. better equipment, a radio station, improved access to having a newspaper).
- Provide competitive compensation for adjuncts.
- Establish a student emergency loan fund.
- Establish scholarships based on academic achievements.
- Institute equitable working conditions for all (e.g., nursing faculty).
- Institute teaching assignments based on instructional credit hours.
- Provide adequate replacement of worn out office equipment .
- Supply more furnishings for student areas.
- Update health and gym facilities on all campuses.
- Provide adequate funding for professional growth.
- Provide adequate funding for discipline resources.
- Grant tuition waivers for senior citizens.
- Grant employees access to buildings during non instructional hours.
- Grant employees access to the Information Superhighway.
- Increase funding in Child Care Centers.
- Increase funding for tutors.
- Provide a Health Care Center with nurse practitioners to serve the community.


## Oakland Community College <br> Millage Campaign <br> CODEBOOK

## VARIABLE Column Description/Codes

PHONE $\quad$ 1-7 Respondent's Phone Number
Actual number
TOWNSHIP 8-10 Township

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2=\text { Addison Twp }
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6=Bloomfield Twp
$8=$ Brandon Twp
$10=$ Commerce Twp
14=Groveland Twp
16=Highland Twp
18=Holly Twp
$20=$ Independence Twp
22=Lyon Twp
$24=$ Milford Twp
$26=$ Novi Twp
$28=$ Oakland Twp
$30=$ Orion Twp
$32=$ Oxford Twp
$36=$ Rose Twp
38=Royal Oak Twp
$40=$ Southfield Twp
$42=$ Springfield Twp
44 = Waterford Twp
46=West Bloomfield Twp
$48=$ White Lake Twp
$51=$ City of Auburn Hills
$52=$ City of Berkley
$53=$ City of Birmingham
54 = City of Bloomfield Hills
$56=$ City of Clawson
58=City of Farmington
$59=$ City of Farmington Hills
$60=$ City of Ferndale
$62=$ City of Hazel Park
$64=$ City of Huntington Woods
66=City of Keego Harbor
$67=$ City of Lake Angelus
$68=$ City of Lathrup Village
$70=$ City of Madison Heights
$72=$ City of Northville
$74=$ City of Novi
76=City of Oak Park
78=City of Orchard Lake
$80=$ City of Pleasant Ridge
$82=$ City of Pontiac
$84=$ City of Rochester
$85=$ City of Rochester Hills
$86=$ City of Royal Oak
$88=$ City of Southfield
$90=$ City of South Lyon
$92=$ City of Sylvan Lake
$94=$ City of Troy
$96=$ City of Walled Lake
$98=$ City of Wixom


| RADIO | 26 | Radio (Editorials/newscasts/talkshows) (Same as PAPER) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TV | 27 | Television (Editorials/newscasts) (Same as PAPER) |
| ADS | 28 | Advertizing (public media: TV, radio, newspaper) (Same as PAPER) |
| MEETINGS | 29 | Community Meetings (Same as PAPER) |
| CONTACT | 30 | Personal contacts with candidates/representatives (Same as PAPER) |
| MAIL | 31 | Direct mail sent to your home (Same as PAPER) |
| OTHER | 32 | Other (Same as PAPER) |
| MOSTIMP | 33 | Which of these is the single most important source of information for you? <br> $1=$ Newspaper (Editorials/articles) <br> $2=$ Radio (Editorials/newscasts/talkshows) <br> 3 = Television (Editorials/ Newscasts) <br> $4=$ Advertising (Public media: TV, Radio, Newspaper) <br> 5 = Community Meetings <br> $6=$ Personal Contacts with Candidates/Representatives <br> $7=$ Direct Mail sent to your home <br> $9=$ No Response/Don't Know |
| REVENUE | 34 | Oakland Community College receives its revenue from three sources -- tuition, state aid, and local taxes. In your opinion, which one should contribute most of the revenue to operate the community college -- tuition, state aid, or local taxes? <br> $1=$ Tuition <br> $2=$ State Aid <br> 3 = Local Taxes <br> $4=$ Combination of State Aid and Tuition <br> $5=$ Combination of State Aid and Local Taxes <br> $6=$ Combination of Tuition and Local Taxes <br> 7 = Combination of Tuition, State Aid and Local Taxes <br> $9=$ Don't Know/No Response |
| MILLS | 35 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do you know how many mills of your local property tax go to Oakland Community } \\ & \text { College? } \\ & \qquad \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} \text { = Less than one mill } \\ & 2=\text { One mill } \\ & 3 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ |

36 If Oakland Community College asked voters for a property tax increase of one mill, would you vote for or against this increase? (Read next sentence only to home owners) This would mean approximately a $\$$ $\qquad$ increase in your annual property tax.
$1=$ For
$0=$ Against
$8=$ Don't Know

| WHY | 37-38 | Why would you support or oppose the millage increase? <br> 1=Need more information <br> $2=$ OCC meets an educational/vocational need <br> 3=Family/personal attendance <br> $4=$ Support for education <br> 5=OCC meets community needs <br> $6=$ Amount of increase is affordable <br> $7=T 0$ keep tuition affordable/to maintain access <br> 11=No more taxation <br> $12=$ No kids in school/not using services <br> $13=T u i t i o n ~ s h o u l d ~ b e ~ f u n d i n g ~ s o u r c e ~$ <br> $14=\mathrm{K}-12$ system needs money first <br> $15=$ State funding should be source <br> $16=$ Low quality of education <br> $17=$ Better allocation of current resources <br> 88=Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INFONEED | 39-40 | What information would you like to receive before deciding how to vote on a millage proposal for Oakland Community College? <br> 1=Information on programs <br> 2=Nothing <br> $3=$ Information on how students would benefit <br> $4=$ Breakdown of how millage will be spent <br> $5=$ Existing budget/sources of funding <br> $6=$ Information on benefit to the community <br> 7=Unbiased information from an impartial source <br> $8=$ Information on the effects of Proposal A tax changes <br> $9=$ Evidence of occ effectiveness <br> $88=$ Don't know/uncertain |
| ATTEND Oakland | $41$ <br> Communi | ```Has anyone among your family or friends ever attended College? 1 = Yes O = No 8 = Don't know``` |
| AGE | 42-43 | Would you be willing to tell us your present age? Actual age |

EDUCATE 44 And what is the highest level of education you have completed?

1 = Grades 1-8 or less.
$2=$ Some high school.
3 = High school graduate.
4 = Vocational or technical school.
5 = Some college.
$6=$ College graduate.
7 = Post-graduate.
9 = No Response.
RACE 45 Would you mind telling me your ethnic background? Are you White, African-American, Hispanic, Asian, or of some other ethnic group?

1 = White
2 = African-American
3 = Hispanic
4 = Asian
5 = Other
9 = No Response
GENDER 46 Record Gender
1 = Male
0 = Female
$9=$ Unknown/no response
INCREASE (Calc) Estimated increase in property tax with one additional mill.

Estimate of home value divided by 2 (HOME/2)

## OCC ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS

- During the last two weeks of October we contacted 411 former OCC students who were randomly selected from the alumni database. All those contacted live in Oakland county and are registered, likely voters.
$\bullet_{\mathrm{xx}}$ The average age of surveyed alumni is 44.5 years. Mean GPA is 3.03 . On average these respondents have 26 cumulative credit hours. Forty-three percent of the group were male, $57 \%$ female. Four percent were minority. Sixteen percent had received a degree from OCC.
- When asked how they would vote on the millage issue, $15 \%$ would definitely vote for it, $53 \%$ would probably vote for it, $5 \%$ would definitely vote against, while $20 \%$ would probably vote against it. The remaining $7 \%$ were "don't knows" who were split between leaning for and against the proposal.
- Major reasons why respondents would vote this way were "support for education" (25\%), "good experience at OCC/ support for OCC" (13\%), and "affordable education should be available to all" ( $6 \%$ ). Opposition to the millage was centered on "opposition to increased property tax" $(13 \%)$. In addition, $17 \%$ of respondents were "not sure/needed more information."
- When asked how likely they were to vote next March, $65 \%$ of voters indicated they were "very likely" to do so, $31 \%$ were "likely" to do so.
- Comparison of "yes" and "no" voters demonstrated no significant differences between the two groups in age, levels of GPA or cumulative credits. There was a significant correlation between those who rated their experience at OCC highly and those who would probably vote for the millage. Those who rated their experience at OCC highly were also supportive of community college education.
- xx When asked which social issue was of greatest concern to them personally, $38 \%$ of the sample chose "Crime and drugs", $12 \%$ chose "Health care", and $14 \%$ chose "Education". "Yes" voters followed this pattern while analysis of "No" voters indicated that although "Crime and drugs" was also the major issue for them ( $29 \%$ ), their next highest concern was "state taxes and government" (27\%).
- Seven potential campaign themes were tested as part of the survey. The preferences of "yes" voters are indicated below:

Themes

The additional revenue will go towards providing job specific training for OCC students.

The revenue will be used to maintain the integrity of existing OCC buildings and to upgrade them to meet increasing safety and access regulations.

The revenue will be used to offset tuition costs in order to keep them as low as possible and in the range of low and moderate income students.

A healthy OCC keeps Oakland County businesses competitive.

Over the last five years, OCC has engaged in an aggressive cost cutting effort but now needs the help of the community.
OCC helped me get where I am today.

My OCC experience was very important to me and the millage increase is a small price to pay to ensure that others get the same chance that I did.

$37 \%$ $10 \%$ $29 \%$ 9\%
$47 \%$
$27 \%$
$\because$
$29 \%$
$29 \%$
$29 \%$

44\%
$18 \%$





# Oakland Community College <br> Millage Campaign Survey 

Hello this is $\qquad$ . I am calling from the Research and Assessment Institute of Oakiand County. We are calling a number of randomly selected households in Oakland County to ask citizens' views about the way higher education is financed in the county. My survey is quite brief, and should only take a few minutes of your time.

1) Are you a registered voter in Oakland County?
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$1 \_$Yes
$0 \_$No (end survey)
$8 \_$Don't Know (end survey)
$9 \_$No Response (end survey)
2) Did you vote in the March, 1994 election on school finance reform, (Proposal A)?

| 1 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0 \_$No |  |
| $8 \_$Don't Know |  |
| $9 —$ | No Response |

3) Do you own a home in Oakland County?

| 1 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| $0 \_$ | No |
| $9 \_$ | No Response |

4a) What are the major sources of information you use to make voting decisions? (check all that apply)
a) ___ Family
b) ___ Friends/Co-workers
c) ___ Newspaper (editorials/articles)
d) ___ Radio (editorials/newscasts/talk shows)
e) ___ Television (editorials/newscasts)
f) ___ Advertizing (public media: TV, radio, newspaper)
g) ___ Community meetings
h) ___ Personal contacts with candidates/representatives
i) ___ Direct mail sent to your home
j) $\qquad$ Other

4b) Which of these is the single most important source of information for you?
5) Oakland Community College receives its revenue from three sources -- tuition, state aid, and local taxes. In your opinion, which one should contribute most of the revenue to operate the community college tuition, state aid, or local taxes?

1 $\qquad$ Tuition

2 $\qquad$ State Aid
3 _Local Taxes
4 Combination of two or three (Specify which)
8 $\qquad$ Don't Know
6) Do you know how many mills of your local property tax go to Oakland Community College? (Read responses)

1. $\qquad$ Less than one mill
2. $\qquad$ One mill
3. $\qquad$ More than one but less than two
4. $\qquad$ More than two mills
5. $\qquad$ Don't know
7) If Oakland Community College needed additional tax millage in order to maintain its current level of educational service, would you vote for or against a one mill tax increase? (Read next sentence only to home owners) This would mean approximately a \$ $\qquad$ increase in your annual property tax.

1 $\qquad$ For
0 $\qquad$ Against
8 $\qquad$ Don't Know
8) Why do you feel that way?
$\qquad$
9) What information would you need before voting on a millage proposal for Oakland Community College? (Probe for specifics)
10) In your view, what could Oakland Community College do to gain public support for a millage increase?

Your answers so far will be even more helpful to us if you will answer just a few more quick questions about yourself.
11. Has anyone among your family or friends ever attended Oakland Community College?
1.__Yes
0. No
8._-Don't know
12. What is your age?
13. And what is the highest level of education you have completed?
1.__Grades 1-8 or less.
2.__Some high school.
3._High school graduate.
4.__Vocational or technical school.
5. -_ Some college.
6.
7.__ Post-graduate.
9. $\qquad$ No Response.
14. And would you mind telling me, are you White, African-American, Hispanic, Asian, or of some other ethnic group?

1. $\qquad$ White
2. African-American
3.__Hispanic
3. Asian
4. $\qquad$ Other (Specify)
5. $\qquad$ No Response

## 15. Record Gender

1. $\qquad$ Male
2. $\qquad$ Female

Thank you for helping the Research and Assessment Institute by participating in this survey. We appreciate your time and assistance.

Interviewer $\qquad$
Respondent Name $\qquad$

Date $\qquad$
Phone $\qquad$







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Dan:
The following is the official results from the special election. I also included a quick analysis of those results.

I will bring by the precinct by precinct breakdown later this week.
Any questions please call.


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OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT Special Elèction Official Results" - March 16, 1995


