



# The Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

ICBOC Annual Report to the Community for 2008

March 2009



Dear Citizens:

On behalf of the 11 members of the Proposition G Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (ICBOC), it is my honor to present to you, the residents and taxpayers of the Grossmont Healthcare District (GHD), this 2008 Annual Report. Thank you for your confidence and your interest in the Committee's efforts, and we would solicit your support as we continue our oversight work throughout 2009.

Our promise to you, the citizens of East County, is that we will commit ourselves to faithfully discharge our duties to the best of our abilities with an attitude of thoroughness, inclusiveness and transparency. We are willingly serving as your "eyes, ears and voices" as we monitor the Prop. G-related expenditures of the GHD Board of Directors.

Since our Committee's first meeting in October 2006, we have learned much about the collaborative process relating to hospital construction in the State of California. In addition, we have observed firsthand many exciting developments that will result in the addition of new, innovative improvements to Sharp Grossmont Hospital.

One of the most significant activities in 2008 was our oversight of the GHD board's work relating to the buildout of the upper floors that are part of the hospital's Emergency Department/Critical Care Unit. Project costs and schedules were closely monitored. Much progress has been made, and we look forward to the day when our hospital will have even greater capacity for specialized critical care services as our regional provider for healthcare.

Finally, we wish to commend the GHD board and staff for their leadership and consistent efforts to wisely allocate Prop. G bond funds. They have worked hard on behalf of all taxpayers. We also invite you to stay informed of the Committee's activities by visiting the website: <http://icboc.gafcon.net>. I welcome your feedback and comments.

Ernest Ewin, Chair

## Welcome - 2008 Our Second Report

Welcome to the 2008 Annual Report of the Proposition "G" Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (ICBOC). This is the second ICBOC Annual Report following the creation of an independent citizens' oversight committee by the Grossmont Healthcare District (GHD) board of directors. This Committee consists of uncompensated volunteers from the local community who are serving terms of one or two years. These local residents have the shared responsibility of overseeing the expenditures of millions of dollars of voter-approved bonds by the GHD board for capital improvement construction at Sharp Grossmont Hospital in La Mesa, Calif.

Here is a historical background: For the June 2006 election, GHD sponsored Prop. G, a \$247 million general obligation bond measure. East County voters responded overwhelmingly by approving Prop. G by more than 77 percent, well above the two-thirds required. The ballot measure listed specific infrastructure projects needed at Sharp Grossmont, as determined by the hospital's facilities master site plan. Today, the bond revenues have begun financing a variety of much-needed infrastructure improvements at the hospital, which opened in 1952. The bonds are projected to fund capital infrastructure improvements through the year 2013. This Annual Report covers the period of January 1 through December 31, 2008. It is the intent of the ICBOC to issue reports annually to inform East County residents as to how bond proceeds are being spent.

## Construction Update

**Emergency Room/Critical Care Unit:** Construction is nearing completion on build-out of the three upper floors consisting of 75,000 square feet, which are located directly above the hospital's existing Emergency Room. This project will eventually add a total of 90 new patient beds. Construction is on track for completion this summer 2009. These critical care and acute care beds will be configured into groups, or "pods," and arranged near various nursing stations.

**Diagnostic and Treatment Center:** Design work is continuing on this Center, which will include space for a new pharmacy and clinical lab and cath labs, as well as flexible, multipurpose procedure rooms that can be used for a wide range of specialties, including general surgery, minimally invasive surgery and image guided surgery, as well as endovascular intervention procedures. After design work is completed, the next step will be construction bids and reviews to be followed by the actual construction costing an estimated \$72 million, which is expected to begin in December 2010, with completion scheduled for April 2013.

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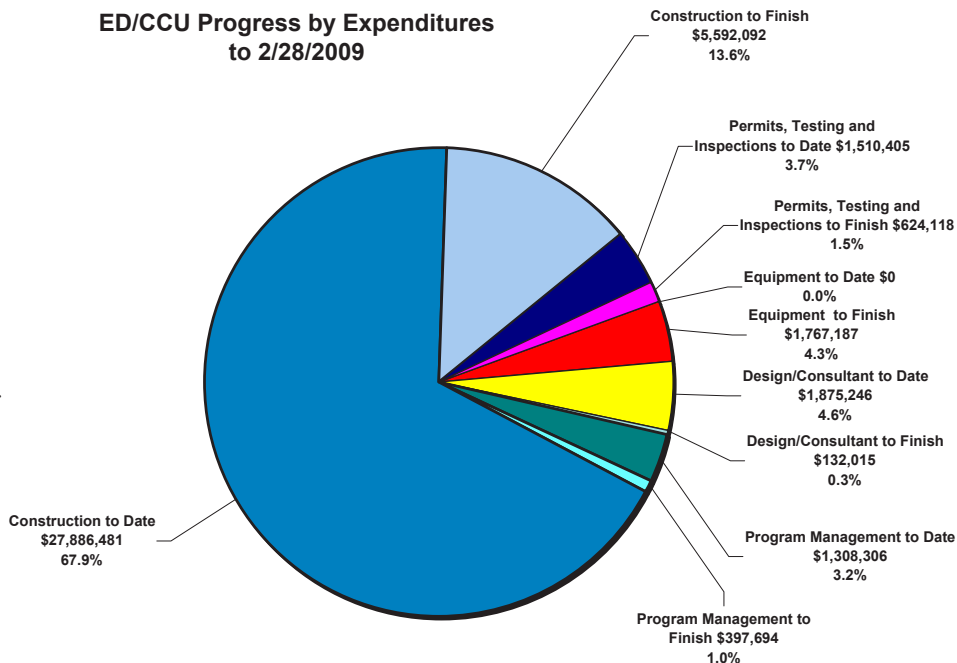
Artist Rendering of the Grossmont Hospital Diagnostic and Treatment Building

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**Central Energy Plant:** Preliminary design work is completed on this Plant, which will feature a new turbine generator, steam boiler, centrifugal chiller and air and vacuum equipment. Additional design work is underway which will involve replacing or upgrading two other chillers and a steam boiler that will provide heating and cooling to various sections of the hospital, including future expansion. After design work is completed, the next step will be construction bids and reviews to be followed by the actual construction costing an estimated \$39 million, which is expected to begin in November 2010, with completion scheduled for December 2012.

**East Tower:** Design work is underway on a variety of improvements on floors 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the existing tower, which was originally constructed in 1974. Design plans will include medical, electrical and plumbing upgrades to the nursing units, as well as patient room headwall replacements, new finishes, lighting, piping and toilets. After design work is completed, construction estimated to cost \$27 million is not expected to begin until late 2009, with completion scheduled for January 2012.

**ED/CCU Progress by Expenditures to 2/28/2009**



## Your ICBOC Members

### Ernest Ewin, ICBOC Chair

Three-term La Mesa City Councilman, Grossmont College Foundation Executive Director. La Mesa resident.  
*Former chairman of Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District's Prop. "R" Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.*

### Dr. James A. Johnson, ICBOC Vice-Chair

Retired Commander of Naval Medical Center, San Diego. La Mesa resident.  
*Oversaw hospital construction in San Diego, Bremerton, Wash. and Croatia. Representing Grossmont Hospital Foundation.*

### Ellen Arcadi, R.N., ICBOC Communications Sub-Committee Chair

Retired Registered Nurse. La Mesa resident.  
*Career spent in patient care in hospital outpatient services setting, with experience in systems analysis, cost containment and quality assurance. Member of La Mesa Commission on Aging.*

### Walter Heiser, ICBOC Audit and Finance Sub-Committee Chair

Law professor at the University of San Diego School of Law. La Mesa resident.  
*Representing San Diego County Taxpayers Association.*

### Joseph Powell, ICBOC Construction and Sub-Committee Chair

Business Manager, Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, Local 206. Alpine resident.  
*Representing San Diego County Labor Council.*

### Dr. Peter Hanson

Orthopedic Surgeon, Sharp Grossmont Hospital. He has been an East County resident since 1960 and his father was an East County physician.  
*Representing the professional staff at Sharp Grossmont Hospital.*

### George Hawkins

President/CEO, Associated Builders and Contractors, San Diego Chapter. La Mesa resident.  
*Extensive career of construction project management experience.*

### Robert Klaiber

Retired banking executive. Spring Valley resident.  
*Representing Grossmont Hospital Auxiliary.*

### Dr. Michael Peddecord

Professor Emeritus of Health Services Administration, San Diego State University, Graduate School of Public Health. San Diego resident.  
*Representing Grossmont Hospital executive management.*

### Robert Ayres

Retired banking executive. El Cajon resident.  
*During his 44-year career in banking, he was involved in financing a number of major private and public construction projects.*

### James Maletic

Owner, James D. Maletic Construction Services. El Cajon resident.  
*40 years of construction management experience, including managing and inspecting public works and public facilities projects.*

## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

This 2008 Annual Report is submitted to the taxpayers and residents of San Diego's East County region and the Board of Directors of the Grossmont Healthcare District by the Proposition G Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (ICBOC). To the best of our knowledge, it is our committee's belief that the Grossmont Healthcare District Board of Directors have faithfully expended authorized bond revenues for the intended purposes in compliance with the requirements specified in Prop. G and California state law. All ICBOC meetings are open to the general public, and are conducted in accordance with provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Public Meeting Act. All meeting notices, agendas, bylaws, minutes and relevant documents and reports received by the Committee, as well as activities of the Committee, are a matter of public record and are posted at a publicly accessible website: <http://icboc.gafcon.net>.

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