Students, faculty and staff will soon have an easier time finding parking at Long Beach City College with the opening of the new LAC Parking Structure which is scheduled to begin construction in early 2010. The 295,485 square feet structure will feature five levels and contain 900 parking spaces. There will also be a new campus parkway to connect the north and south ends of LAC.

The $27 million project is being financed by the Measure E facilities bond that local voters approved in February of 2008. It will be adjacent to the new South Quad Complex. McCarthy, the builder in charge of the project, is taking steps to leave green footprints. The roof solar panels will provide an estimated 451 kilowatts of power. A touch screen information monitor will be installed on the adjacent campus parkway to show the energy levels being produced by the solar panels. Sustainable building materials will be used throughout the structure and, according to Project Director Greg Ciuba, more than 50 percent of the construction debris will be recycled.

“This parking structure is something that I and our Board of Trustees promised our students and community when I became President,” said LBCC President Eloy Oakley. “It will also greatly relieve some of the parking pressures that exist on campus and in the surrounding neighborhoods.”

The parking structure is one of several new projects breaking ground in the next couple of years. Other projects include the new Multi-Disciplinary Academic Building at the Pacific Coast Campus, and the renovation of the Student Services Center at the LAC. There will also be new Marquee signs erected on both campuses. They will include LCD screens that will promote campus events and also provide important student and community information.

From the President

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am delighted to send you this report on the improvements underway at Long Beach City College. The voters of Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill and Avalon strongly supported Measure E in 2002 and extended it in 2008. This support has enabled our college to modernize and improve the programs it provides to this community.

Local funds – along with matching state funds – have resulted in new libraries and learning resource centers at both campuses, two new technology centers at PCC that will train hundreds of students each semester for high paying jobs and the new South Quad Complex at LAC which created state-of-the-art learning environments for our students.
We’re Making Great Progress!

Long Beach City College
Liberal Arts Campus

1 Library and Learning Resource Center
2 Trade and Architectural Design Center
3 Industrial Technology Center
4 Multi-Disciplinary Academic Building
5 Fitness Center
6 LCD Marquee Screen
7 South Quad Complex
8 Student Services Center
9 Public Safety Building
10 Parking Structure
11 Community Outreach and Services Facility
12 Library and Learning Resource Center
13 LCD Marquee Screen

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With the creation of the Central Plant on the Liberal Arts Campus, Long Beach City College is working diligently to keep its carbon footprint as small as possible.

LBCC has begun a massive infrastructure and energy project that will result in an annual energy savings of approximately 1,300,000 kilowatt hours and a total reduction of 430 tons of greenhouse emissions. This project includes upgrades to the telecommunication lines, water lines and sewer lines. The campus is also upgrading the heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems; and exterior and stadium field lighting.

To accomplish this, six buildings on the North side of campus, as well as the new South Quad Complex, will be connected to the new LBCC Central Plant. A new campus parking facility will be powered by over 2,100 photovoltaic solar panels that will provide an estimated 451 kilowatts of electricity. The new campus green area in front of the parking structure will also feature vegetated swales that will allow water to percolate into the ground, therefore avoiding storm drains and utilizing less water.

This new infrastructure and energy project will require sections of the campus to be fenced off during various periods over the next two years.

"Long Beach City College is basically going from an out-of-date, decentralized system to a more efficient, eco-friendly, controlled environment," said Medhanie Ephrem, LBCC’s Energy Management Coordinator. These efforts will lead to a much greener LBCC while contributing to meeting the goal of AB32, California’s Global Warming Act of 2006.