

Arcadia Unified School District

CITIZENS' MEASURE A OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE 2015-2016 ANNUAL REPORT

"Local funding that helps protect quality education"

Report of the 2015-2016 Measure A Arcadia Teacher and Academic Instruction Protection Measure

Background

In March of 2012, voters in the Arcadia Unified School District passed a \$228 per parcel tax for 5 years in order to help offset severe state budget cuts to neighborhood schools and keep Arcadia schools among the best in California by providing funds which cannot be taken away by Sacramento.

The local funds help protect quality education by:

- Retaining and attracting high quality teachers
- Protecting quality math, science, reading, art and music programs
- Keeping schools safe and clean
- Maintaining advanced placement and honors courses, in such subjects as physics, chemistry and biology
- Preventing the reduction or elimination of extra-curricular activities for students, like the Arcadia High School Marching Band

An oversight committee was formed for the purpose of reviewing the annual expenditures of the parcel tax to confirm compliance with the voter authorized use of these funds.

Chairperson's Message

It is the duty of the Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee to ensure that the proceeds from the March, 2012, parcel tax election are spent as intended. The Committee has met three times this year for this purpose. We have reviewed all expenses and determined that they were, in fact, spent as required. The independent accounting firm of Nigro & Nigro has completed its annual audit as of June 30, 2016, and certified that the Arcadia Unified School District has complied with the requirements.

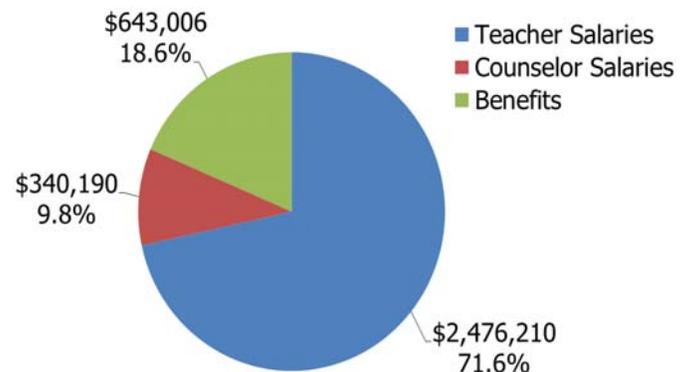
Lynne Whitaker

Financial Summary

Income: The total parcel tax amount collected in 2015-2016 was \$3,459,406.15.

Expenditures: The following chart shows the total expenditures in 2015-2016. All of the money collected was expended. All of the parcel tax revenue was used for salaries, supporting core academic programs, and attracting/retaining outstanding teachers and counselors.

Parcel Tax Expenditures



2015-2016 Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee



Left to right: Matt McSweeney, Gary Yamada, Jennifer Tom, Vicky Stiles, Albert Sylvia, Anthony Parrille, Lynne Whitaker (not pictured)