

MJUSD + SitelogIQ
Partnership Summary



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# District History

- Unable to pass a general obligation bond
- Modernize district facilities without impacting the general fund
- Utilize supplemental funding sources
- Greater district-wide equity
- Compliance with current and future
   State Building Codes and Legislation

# Program Objectives

- Self-funded program savings pay for the project - budget neutral or cash flow positive
- Lower operating cost
- Improve operational efficiency
- Improve the learning environment
- Aid the district in strategic planning for today and in the future

# Financing

- General obligation bonds
- Certificate of participation COP
- Tax exempt municipal lease
- Grants, incentives and rebates
- \$354k in CalSHAPE for thermostat upgrades
- \$240k unspent Prop 39 funds
- Anticipating \$6M in Phase 1 and \$1M in Phase 2 from IRA
- A bond was attempted in March 2024 but it did not pass



### HVAC

# HVAC Equipment Upgrades

- School sites using inefficient equipment past useful life
- Lindhurst central HVAC plant failing/pending grand jury inditement
- Total of 322 new high efficiency HVAC units installed (1,425 tons)
- Put district into Title 24 compliance

# Pelican Thermostats

- District had outdated mechanical controls, some containing mercury
- 725 wifi-enabled smart thermostats installed
- Control custom daily HVAC schedules
- Allow for holiday scheduling and remote control

### COVID Air Purification

- 1,500 GPS bi-polar ionization units installed district-wide starting April '21
- Reduce airborne particles, odor, and pathogens
- 99.4% efficient in inhibiting and eradicating COVID-19



### **Lindhurst High HVAC Before**







### **Lindhurst High HVAC After**



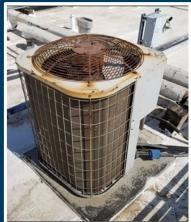




### **End-of-life HVAC**









**Example Of New High Efficiency Package Unit** 



#### **Old Thermostats**





#### **Computer Interface for New Thermostats**

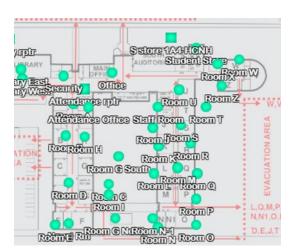




#### **New Thermostats**









# Lighting

### Lighting upgrades

- Inefficient magnetic ballasts and fluorescent lamps retrofitted with high efficiency, low wattage electronic ballasts and LED lamps
- 7,910 new lighting fixtures installed at 19 sites from April to July '21
- Emergency lighting
  - Installed at 19 sites

# **Lindhurst High Before**

# **Lindhurst High After**





# Solar

- Solar array installation
  - Allows for on-site, zero-emission electricity generation at a lower cost than purchasing from the utility company

#### Phase 1

12 sites, 4,103 kW

1<sup>st</sup> site online: Feb '22 All sites online: Jan '23

### Phase 2

3 sites, 396 kW

1st site online: Feb '24 All sites online: Apr '24

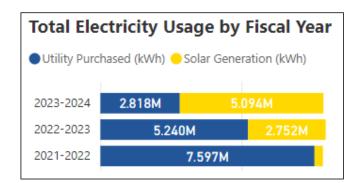
#### Phase 3

2 sites, 373 kW

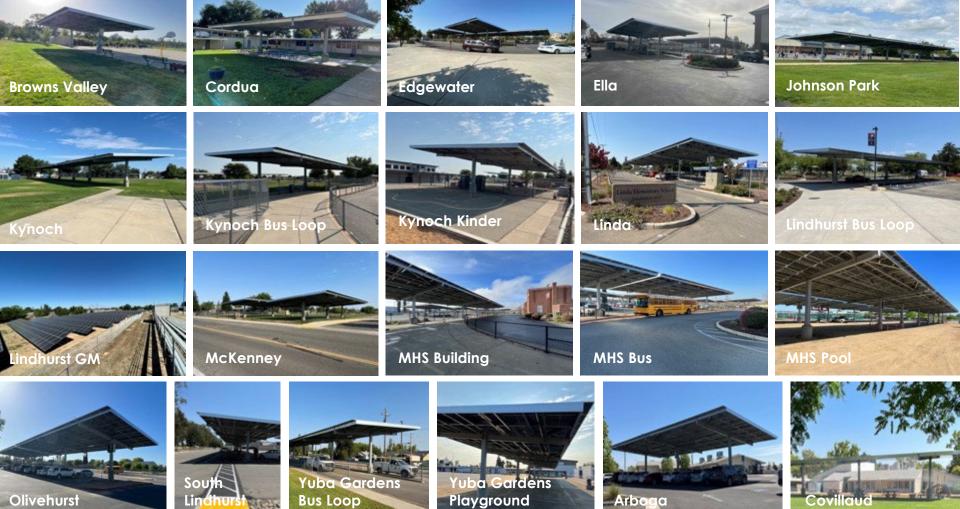
Construction ongoing Est. completion: '25

# Solar

- Solar production
  - Over 64% of '23/'24 electricity from solar
  - Expected to surpass 87% of district electricity in
    '24/'25 (Phase 1&2) and 93% in '25/'26 (Phase 1-3)



- Battery storage
  - 150 kW/558 kWh battery energy storage system to be installed at Foothill
  - Stores excess solar electricity, increases resiliency
- Ongoing solar operations and maintenance
  - Site monitoring and reporting, maintenance, and inspection services



### **Upcoming Foothill Solar and Battery Site**



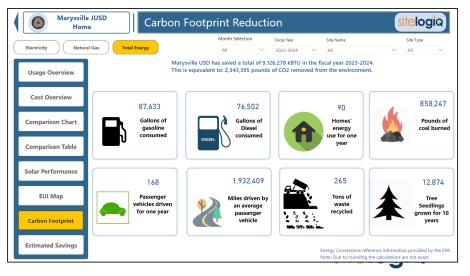
### **Upcoming Cedar Lane Solar Site**



# **Energy Management**

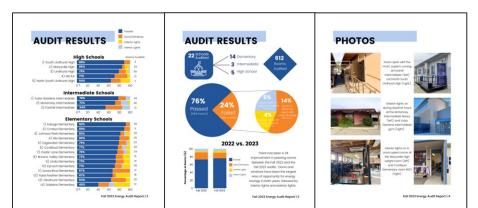
- Evaluate district energy use and implement energy savings strategies
  - Utility bills tracked monthly on <u>District Energy Dashboard</u>
    - Over \$120,000 in bill credits obtained from PG&E in September '23 due a billing error
  - Annual rate analysis to verify electric meters are on lowest rate tariffs





# **Energy Management**

- On-site Energy Audits
  - Walkthroughs during school hours to identify energy savings opportunities
  - Schools ranked based on audit results and notified of standing
- California Energy Commission Energy Star Reporting
  - 8 sites required benchmarking and were successfully submitted in '23/'24
  - Cost of non-compliance: up to \$16,000/day (\$2,000 per day per site)







# Education

- Student and staff trainings and presentations on energy efficiency, conservation, renewable energy, and energy careers
  - Guest lectures in K-12 classrooms on energy-focused topics
  - Green Boot Camp: Hands-on STEM training for teachers
  - Earth Day: Conservation-focused events and demos for students





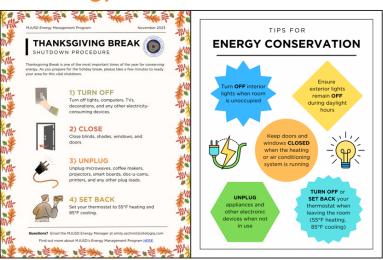




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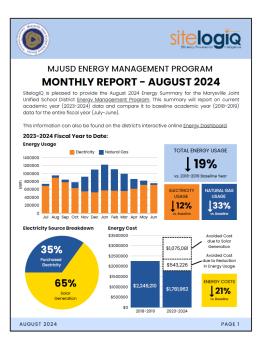
Energy Management Program Communications

#### **Energy Conservation Fliers**



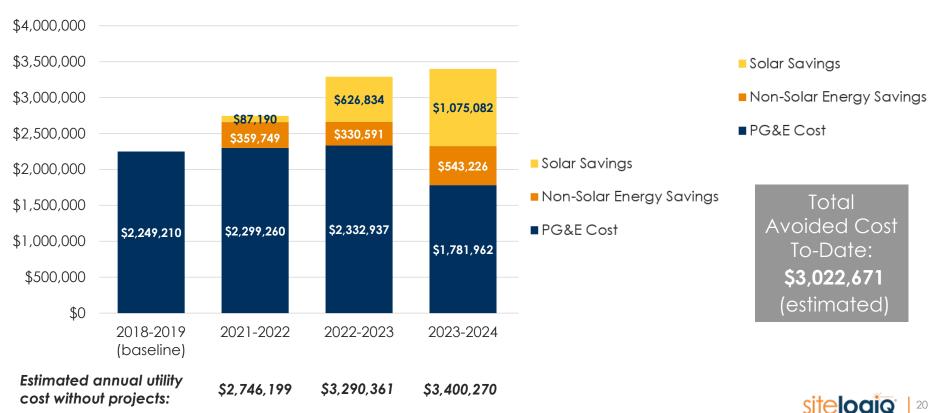
### Monthly Energy Manager Reports



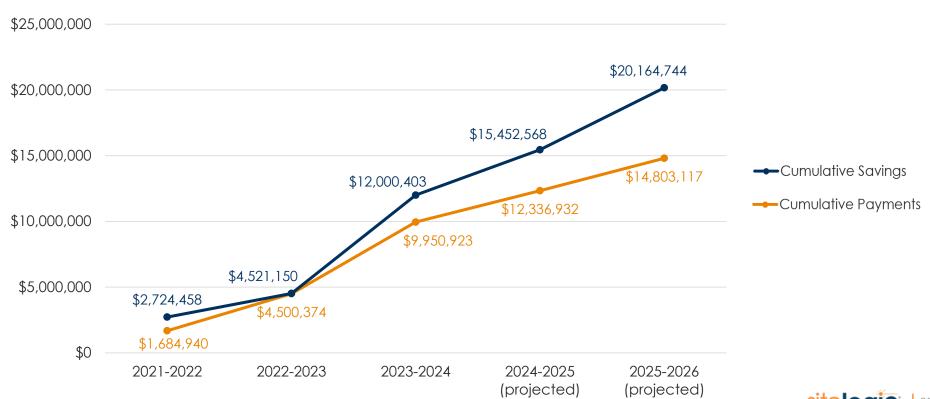


Lights Out Decals

# Cost/Savings Summary



# Payments vs. Savings





# Thank You

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# Definitions:

- PG&E Cost:
  - Actual cost paid by district to PG&E for electricity and natural gas service
- Solar Savings:
  - Avoided cost due to on-site solar electricity generation
- Non-Solar Energy Savings:
  - Avoided cost due to reduction in energy usage from non-solar projects (HVAC, controls, lighting, energy management)
- Estimated annual utility cost without projects
  - Estimated PG&E cost without solar and non-solar energy savings
- Cumulative Payments:
  - Cost district has paid year-over-year including annual COP finance payment, Solar O+M services, and Energy Management services
- Cumulative Savings:
  - Savings district has realized year-over-year including avoided cost and maintenance savings, Prop 39, SGIP, & AB841 Contribution, IRA Incentive, solar savings, and non-solar energy savings