

J. MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

The scope of capital projects implemented during the 2007-2008 academic year was the most significant in the history of Salem Community College.

They were the result of the use of \$5.4 million in Chapter 12 funding and a unique partnership with the Salem County Utilities Authority (SCUA).

Specifically, the renovations of classrooms in Davidow Hall were completed along with the first phase of the entire replacement of the HVAC system serving the building. Additionally, the second phase of the project was initiated and it is anticipated it will be completed during the fall 2008 semester. This phase will be driven by the installation of micro turbines that qualified for a Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Clean Energy and Smart Start Buildings rebate.

The replacement of the entire roof system of Davidow Hall was initiated in FY 2008 and it is anticipated this approximately \$1 million project will be completed early in the fall 2008 semester.

The renovation and expansion of science laboratories and preparation rooms were also initiated in FY 2008 and will be opened for the fall 2008 semester. \$1.8 million has been allocated to this project and the result will be the expanded programs identified in section I of the report.

The partnership with SCUA, referred to as the "Gas to Glass" project, has resulted in the construction of a 14,000 square-foot Glass Education Center valued in excess of \$2 million. The facility will open during the fall 2008 semester.

The SCUA has leased the building for \$1 per year for 50 years to SCC and will provide methane gas from the landfill to power much of the specialized glass equipment.

Both the Scientific Glass Technology and Glass Art programs will be located in the new Glass Center as well as the new associate degree in Glass Industrial Design.