

Coastal Gallery Project – Phase 2

Cabrillo High School Aquarium



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CHS Aquarium Overview



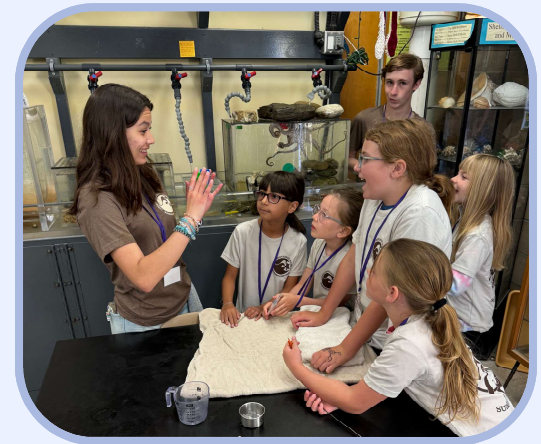
- Started in 1986 w/ one student
 - Now operated by 7 classes
- Approx. 200 high school students
- 6,000 ft² facility opened in 2002

Program Overview – Demographics

- 10,000+ last school year (highest ever!)
 - Historically **underserved** populations
 - **Hispanic/Latino:** Lompoc – 65.5%, Santa Maria – 76%
 - **Below poverty level:** Lompoc – 17.3%, Santa Maria – 14.5%
 - **Title I** schools

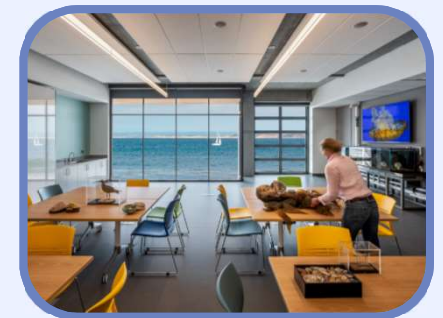


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Coastal Gallery Expansion Project

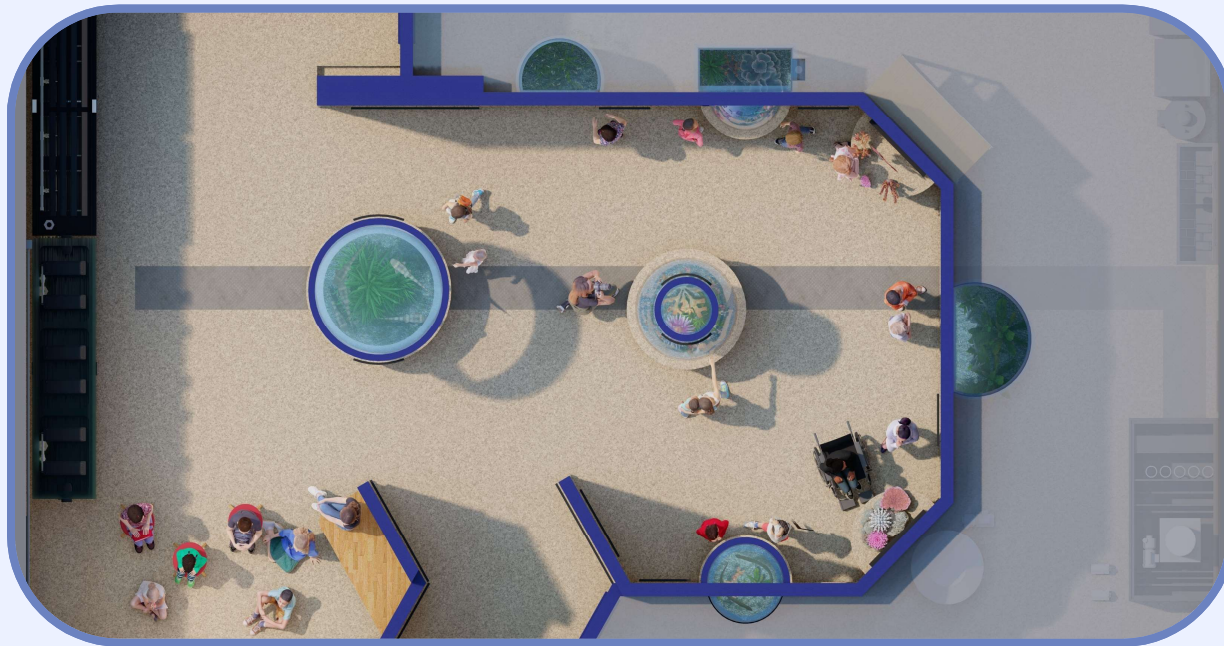
- ✓ Phase 1 – Cal Coastal Wetlands Exhibit Complete!
- **Phase 2 – Gallery Annex**
- Phase 3 – Aquarium CTE Education Center



Phase 2 - Gallery Annex

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- Aquarium's largest addition ever, adds 50% more exhibit space
- 8 new exhibits, 6 donated by the Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Our first cohesive gallery designed & built all at once



Educational Opportunities

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- 50% more exhibit floor space grows capacity & alleviates crowding
- Coordinates educational efforts across different but related habitats
- Aquarium students can connect local issues with the world's oceans





Phase 2 Costs ⁸

- **\$100,000 – CRMF Funds requested**
 - \$64,000 – CTE Strong Workforce Grant
 - \$50,000 – CA Whale Tail Fund
 - \$10,000 – Hutton Parker Foundation
 - \$48,580 – CHS Aquarium Patron Program
 - \$27,420 – Est. In-kind Value
 - **Total – Approx \$300,000**
- **Est. value of donated exhibits – \$500,000**

Thank You!!

Any questions?

