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**College of the Desert to Debut Renovated Library and  
Central Campus Quad During State of the College 2020**

PALM DESERT, CA — The newly renovated Hilb Library and Central Campus Quad will be unveiled during the College of the Desert's State of the College on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. at the Palm Desert Campus.

The three-level Hilb, named in honor of its benefactors, Jeane and Justin Hilb, has been rebuilt to environmentally sustainable standards while maintaining its iconic, mid-century modern style. The remodel brings the College library back to its original home, where it resided from 1964 to 1995. The updated building more than doubles the size of the current campus library and improves functionality by adding more natural light and creating a modern study space.

These improvements to the College were made possible by Measure B funds and provide 21st century spaces for learning, engagement and teaching.

Since opening its doors more than 60 years ago, the institution has experienced tremendous change and incredible success, leading it to become one of the fastest growing community colleges in the state. In 2019 alone, the College celebrated 1,394 graduates, an all-time high, and that number is expected to grow next year.

The State of the College report will be presented by Superintendent/President Joel L. Kinnamon, Ed.D. The event will provide information on the recent progress that has taken place at the institution as well as celebrate the history that is a part of College of the Desert.

Tickets for State of the College are available online at [CODStateoftheCollege.com](http://CODStateoftheCollege.com).

**About College of the Desert:**

Established in 1958, College of the Desert, located in Palm Desert, is an accredited community college serving eastern Riverside County, California. The College leads the region in providing quality, higher education, technical training and lifelong learning opportunities, in response to the dynamic needs of our diverse community. The College serves more than 18,000 students each year and is the number one source of transfer students to California State University, San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. For more information, visit [www.collegeofthedesert.edu](http://www.collegeofthedesert.edu).

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