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INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

The San Bernardino Community College District serves 27,000 students through Crafton Hills College and San Bernardino Valley College. The college serves residents in Big Bear, Bloomington, Calimesa, Colton, Grand Terrace, Highland, Lake Arrowhead, Loma Linda, Redland, Rialto, San Bernardino and Yucaipa communities.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

In line with strategic planning, a diverse team of college and district staff, end users, IT experts, deans and managers, identified Oracle as the vendor best suited to help the district transition with a financial and business software system.

No longer enough to support its human resources, finance, operations and business functions, the district's systems left it exposed to increasing risk in the areas of compliance, financial activities, and day-to-day operations. These systems also placed the colleges at a strategic disadvantage in meeting the needs of their students.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Faced with the challenge of tightening public funding coupled with an influx of students, SBCCD recognized a modern financial platform was critical to their mission. SBCCD wanted to ensure the district was well positioned to serve the needs of its entire campus community with the goal of declaring fiscal independence from the county. Following a competitive RFP process, SBCCD became the first California community college to select Oracle ERP Cloud to provide improved reporting capabilities across all college functions and deliver the necessary insights to make informed decisions.

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BENEFIT/VALUE

Some of the improvements included:

- Alleviation of current system problems including paper and data entry, electronic approvals for purchase requisitions, and much more
- Improved cloud technology including disaster recovery, automatic software updates, and data security
- Fully integrated imaging and full document control
- Real time access with more efficiency and flexibility
- Enabled the district to gain insight from data for key metric to facilitate data driven decision making
- More current access to financial data
- Electronic processing for reconciliation of CalCards
- Mobile smart phone interface for entering expense reports
- An enhanced user security and workflow and enhanced reporting and analysis capabilities due to the integration between the Oracle ERP and Oracle Business Intelligence Cloud Services (BICS)
- Has provided support for SBCCD to become fiscally independent

HOW SIG CAN HELP

- Project management services
- Business process analysis to simplify processes to create streamlined work routines and improve a variety of operations within your institution
- Functional and technical consulting to augment your team's knowledge and expertise
- Procurement assistance and supplemental staffing

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