



# Education

Completing nearly 200 education property projects and impacting thousands of lives in the last 5 years, Marx|Okubo is well-versed in providing a comprehensive range of services for public and private colleges and university systems.

Understanding that successful student learning is central to an educational institution's mission, our teams work to prioritize funding sources and capital needs to support the academic goals and student experience.

With an eye towards always improving and enhancing the long-term lifecycle of campus facilities, our fundamental objectives include building consensus among stakeholders and a shared governance structure while optimizing building construction, operations and maintenance on highly active campuses.

#### **KEY EDUCATION-RELATED PROPERTY SERVICES:**

- Facility condition assessments >
- Maintenance & custodial > effectiveness evaluations
- **Project management** >
- Accessibility/ADA compliance > review & upgrades
- **Energy audits** >

- Office Retail
- Multifamily Residential
- Hospitality
- Industrial | Warehouse
- Education
- Arts, Culture & Entertainment
- Parking Structures
- Mixed-Use

## Projects: Fort Valley State University

CLIENT	The University System of Georgia - Board of Regents
LOCATION	Fort Valley, Georgia
SERVICES	Facilities Condition Assessment and Preliminary Infrastructure Review



Fort Valley State University, situated approximately 100 miles south of Atlanta, is a unit of the University System of Georgia and a member of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund. Established in 1895, the 1,365-acre campus is the largest in the area for Georgia State schools.

In 2018, Marx|Okubo was engaged to review the condition of 13 of the campus' buildings comprising a total of 399,002 square feet of area, in accordance with the standards set forth in ASTM E2018-15. Marx|Okubo's efforts allow the University System to align with its stated purpose of maintaining facilities that are physically sound, highly functional, visually attractive and safe—by identifying imminent repairs and replacements and allowing action plans to be developed and corresponding funds confirmed.



#### Projects: Rancho Santiago Community College District

CLIENT LOCATION SERVICES

RSCCD

Orange County, California

Assessibility



Marx|Okubo has served as the system-wide project manager for upgrades throughout this community college district on various campuses. Our role involves project scoping, design team management, budget development, scheduling and construction inspection to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state and local accessibility ordinances.

The challenges of the assignment include having a large variety of building types and site topography, which require creativity and technical expertise in order to meet the regulations. Our team includes Certified Access Specialist (CASp)-licensed staff members who are working daily with the RCCSD to improve access for students across the system.



### **Projects:** Rocketship Public Schools

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Rocketship Education

San Jose, California/Washington D.C.

Property Condition Assessment



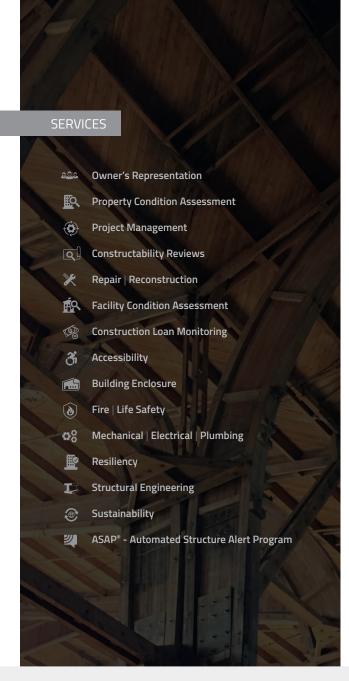
Marx|Okubo performed a facility condition assessment of ten, kindergarten through fifth grade campuses that provide high-achieving education to mostly low-income students from underserved communities.

Our client hired Marx|Okubo to help understand current and future portfolio physical needs so they can more accurately budget for any deferred maintenance, repairs, and/or improvements that protect the buildings and maintain a healthy environment for the students. With a clear understanding of the true operational costs, Rocketship Public Schools can plan for enhancements to their educational curriculum with greater confidence that those funds won't be reassigned due to unforeseen physical campus needs.

We were able to accommodate a fairly restrictive site visit schedule due to the sensitivity around interrupting student learning, while at the same time successfully being able to interface with staff to capture intimate operational knowledge at each campus.







Marx|Okubo is a national AEC consulting firm that works with real estate owners, investors and lenders—at every point of the property lifecycle—to **evaluate** their building projects, **solve** complex challenges and **implement** tailored solutions.

We help clients understand their projects' complexities, so they can make more informed decisions and, ultimately, mitigate their risk.

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