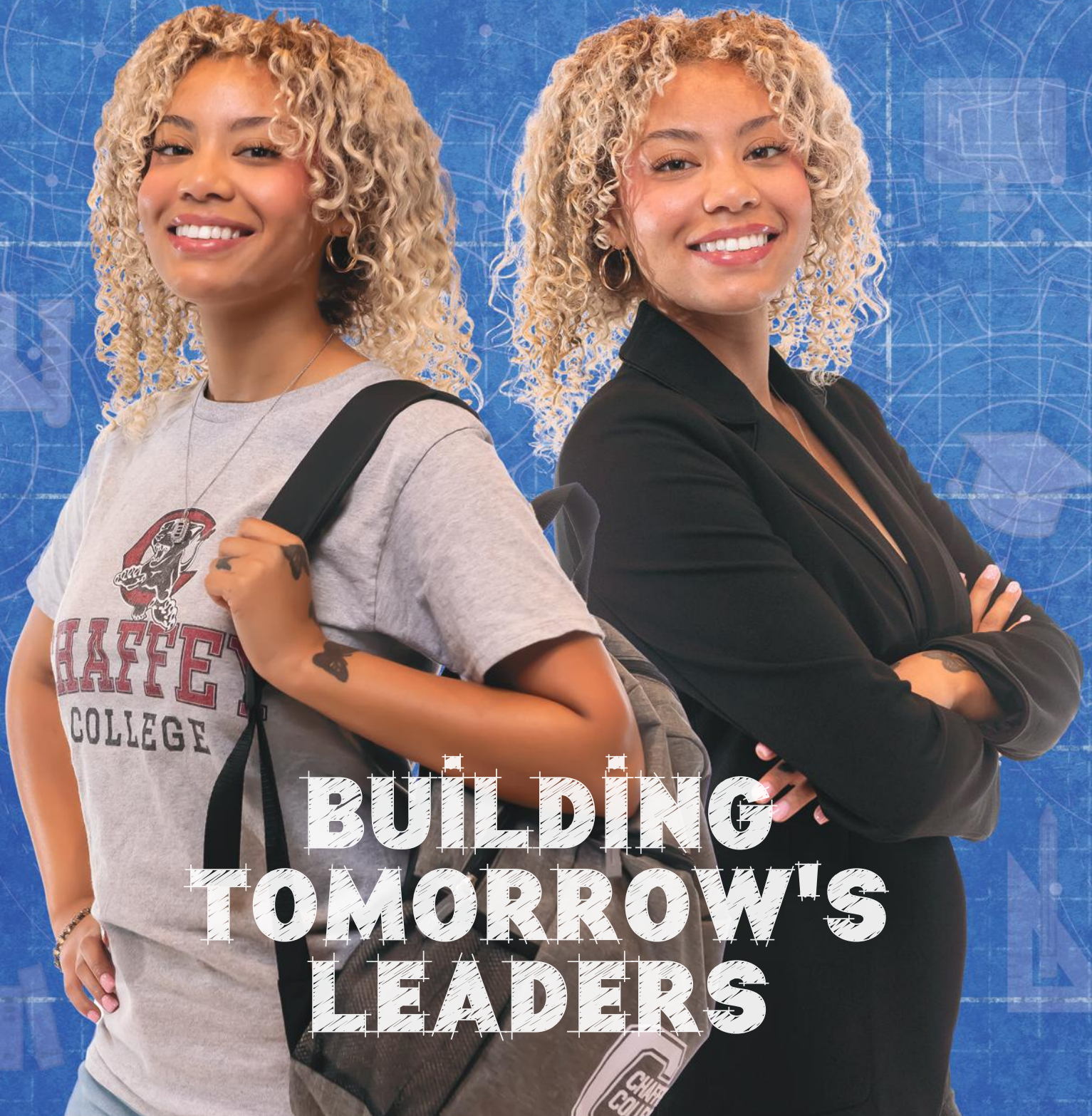


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Report to the Community 2025



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TOMORROW'S
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2025 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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Chaffey College:
Improving lives through
education.

Mission Statement
Chaffey College improves lives
and our communities through
education with a steadfast
commitment to equity and
innovation to empower our
diverse students who learn
and thrive through excellent
career, transfer, and workforce
education programs that
advance economic and social
mobility for all.

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Message from the Governing Board President



When I worked for Chaffey College as an instructional assistant years ago, I had the opportunity to affect change while serving on a statewide committee. I discovered that I enjoyed making a difference not only for students, but for people across California.

That experience inspired what has become a 30-year career in public service, which included serving in the California State Assembly and Senate, as a Congresswoman in the U.S. House of Representatives, and twice serving as a board member for the Chaffey Community College District.

Today, I proudly serve my alma mater as president of the Chaffey College Governing Board as we prepare the next generation for transfer and successful careers.

Everyone at Chaffey does outstanding work helping students as they reach for the next chapter in their journey, whether it's entering the workforce or transferring to a four-year university. Campus wide, we also foster a culture of leadership. You can see it among our employees and students alike, whether they are taking on mentorship roles, or positions with clubs and committees.

Witnessing the tenacity of our Chaffey College Student Government and other groups helping one another demonstrates that our students gain more than just academics. They are learning how to change the world around them.

These leadership skills benefit students, whatever their career path. It is a foundation for students to become confident problem-solving managers, directors and even CEOs.

The generosity of our community, including taxpayer support of Measure P and the generous \$25 million gift we received from MacKenzie Scott in 2021, enables us to help all of our students achieve their goals, including students from underrepresented populations.

I am confident that with the Governing Board, our leadership, and the passion of our faculty and staff, we will always serve our students equitably, and endeavor to build future leaders.

Here at Chaffey College, we are positioned for a prosperous future, and I am honored to be a part of it.

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Message from the Superintendent/President

Mission Focused. Future Driven.

Every student has a story. But not all student stories are the same. I reflected on this as nearly 1,500 new students poured into the Sports Center at Chaffey College for Orientation Day on August 8. Many students arrived solo, others with parents or friends. Some arrived by bus, others drove or were dropped off. Some looked a little scared while others were excited and eager to get acquainted with their new campus.

As I chatted with students and posed in photos with them, I could not help but think of the incredible and privileged responsibility Chaffey College has in helping each student find their path to success.

For one student, success may mean transferring to a four-year college, while for another, success means graduating with a degree or certificate and entering the workforce with new skills. Regardless of how success is measured, our mission at Chaffey College remains the same year after year: improve lives through education.

At Chaffey College we are building tomorrow's leaders in more ways than one, and our students are living proof of this.

One example is our Chaffey College Student Government (CCSG), which is the largest student government body in all of the California Community College system. When our students are empowered to become advocates and champions for change, we know it creates a ripple effect throughout our communities. Our aim is to harness this energy by working alongside our students, faculty and staff each day to ensure we are equipping current and future generations with the tools they need to be successful.

We do this by ensuring all students have access to essential services and resources such as 24/7 healthcare and mental health support, Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) courses, grants and scholarships, Wi-Fi and Chromebook rentals, and so much more.

We also know how essential it is to have an effective infrastructure to serve students across all our campus locations. Thanks to taxpayer support of Measure P, we are near completion of several construction projects, including a brand new state-of-the-art Library/Learning Commons which will open this upcoming winter. In-depth updates on all Measure P projects, including our plans for new campuses in Ontario and Fontana, can be found in this report.

On behalf of our students, Governing Board, faculty and staff, I would like to extend my gratitude to our community members and friends for your support of Chaffey College.

Sincerely,
Henry D. Shannon
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Superintendent/President



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PRIDE BY THE NUMBERS

28,000

Students Served

126,000

Pounds of Food Distributed

Panther Care

13%

Increase

Dual Enrollment

250%

Increase

*Chaffey College
Student Government Enrollment*

180%

Increase

*English as a Second Language (ESL)
Enrollment*

2,800

Graduates

BEST

Community College

*#2 in San Bernardino County
- Wallet Hub*

71

New Full
Time Staff

LARGEST

Fall Enrollment
on Record

119

Students in
Honors Program

Largest in History

30%

Enrollment Increase

*Chaffey Joint Union High School District
Senior English (Pilot Program)*

214

New Full Time/
Part Time
Faculty

19


Valedictorians

50%

Zero Textbook
Classes

Campus Wide

Aviation Maintenance Technology Expands its Fleet



Chaffey has acquired a 1972 Cessna 414 to enhance learning in the Aviation Maintenance Technology program. The aircraft was completely disassembled, transported and then reassembled in the lab over the summer, providing students with access to features the Federal Aviation Administration requires them to understand. The plane also has electric landing gear, which will now expose students to both hydraulic and electric systems in the lab.

Expanding Dual Enrollment

More Chaffey Joint Union High School students have access to college-level English courses during their bell schedule under an expanded partnership with Chaffey College.

Chaffey began offering both English 1A in fall 2024 and English 1B in the spring with more than 800 students participating in 2025.

Many of the students from the inaugural group are now enrolled at Chaffey or area universities, with one returning as a Success Center tutor.

New Cybersecurity Pathway to Bachelor's Degree

Computer Information Systems and Cybersecurity students now have a more seamless path to advanced degrees thanks to new articulation agreements with Cal State San Marcos.

Cybersecurity students can complete their bachelor's degree fully online in just two years after earning their associate's degree at Chaffey, with the option to continue directly into a streamlined master's program. A similar transfer opportunity is now available for Computer Information Systems students, creating expanded pathways for academic and career advancement.



Zero Textbook Cost Program Reaches 50 Percent Usage

Chaffey has started developing 12 new “Zero Textbook Cost” degree and certificate pathways, giving more students access to a quality education for less money. It’s all thanks to state funding that has gone to community colleges throughout the state in support of degree pathways with no cost for textbooks.

To support the initiative, faculty from six disciplines are authoring new Open Educational Resource textbooks to support students locally and statewide.

More than 50 percent of Chaffey’s courses provide no-cost textbooks. Students have the option to sort and select from these specific course offerings when registering for fall, spring and summer terms.

Physical Therapist Assistant Program Launches at Fontana Campus

Chaffey launched its Physical Therapist Assistant program at the Fontana campus in 2025. The program is designed to prepare students for high-demand careers in physical therapy while meeting the growing need for skilled rehabilitation professionals in the region. The inaugural cohort of 22 students began its studies over the summer.



Matthew Caddell

*Chaffey College Student Government
President/Student Trustee*

The moment Matthew Caddell realized he had to make a life change to improve his future, he was not alone.

He was at home and playing with his son.

“I asked him what he wanted to be like when he grew up, and he said he wanted to be like me,” Caddell said.

After years of experiencing hardship, Caddell wanted more for his son. That’s when he decided to give Chaffey College a try.

Today, Caddell serves as Chaffey College Student Government President/Student Trustee – leading a group of senators and officers that has grown 250 percent in the last year. He is pursuing two degrees in industrial electrical technology and mathematics, with the hopes of becoming a policy writer or consultant in industrial manufacturing.

Caddell’s interest in the field comes from working in industrial manufacturing for a decade prior to coming to Chaffey.

“I like working around machines and the process of troubleshooting. I look at a machine, see the way it runs and it gets me really curious,” he said.

He found inspiration all over campus. Members of student government didn’t look at him any differently despite not being a traditional-age college student. Chaffey’s Social Wellness and Behavioral Support counselors encouraged him to sign up for Umoja and Rising Scholars.

Caddell became a senator of regional affairs with Chaffey College Student Government in fall 2024, and president in 2025.

Among his efforts, he wrote a resolution with the Student Senate for California Community Colleges to add more water bottle filling stations at community colleges around the state. The resolution passed in April.

“I found out I have a passion to help people – to make processes better.”

Caddell also works for Chaffey’s Rising Scholars program and serves the California Community Colleges Rising Scholars network after being appointed by the Student Senate. In both roles he helps other students with similar backgrounds pursue their academic and career goals.

Caddell’s son still says that he wants to be just like his father when he grows up. Now he doesn’t mind. “I fully support him in that,” he said.

Richard Garcia '15

Vice President of Hotel Operations, Greens Group

When it comes to running hotels, some people consider Richard Garcia more than just a manager.

He once loaned a guest at a Holiday Inn Express the belt he was wearing, when the man was rushing to a wedding and needed help.

“He called me the ‘Prince of Hotel Management,’” Garcia said.

Garcia serves as vice president of hotel operations for the Greens Group, a real estate development and hospitality company ranked among the top 10 largest hotel developers on the West Coast. It has opened 25 hotels, with another 30 in development.

Garcia grew up in the San Francisco Bay, but moved to Rancho Cucamonga to join his parents in 2008. He and his brother, Andrew, both enrolled at Chaffey College. The brothers both worked for their father’s accounting business, and earned tax preparation certificates at Chaffey.

Garcia also tried some theatre and administration of justice classes. He earned a living working the front desk at a Holiday Inn Express in Ontario and helping his father. When he received a promotion at the hotel, he decided to pursue a hospitality management major.

“My professor literally inspired me to shoot for the stars.”

He credits Professor of Hospitality Management Daniel Bentum with giving him the knowledge and motivation to continue his upward trajectory.

Garcia worked his way up from general manager of a hotel in Corona under Tharaldson Hospitality Management to regional director of operations.

In 2018, Bentum brought his entire class to the opening of an Ontario SpringHill Suites hotel, one of the properties overseen by Garcia.

In February, Greens recruited him to join their company. In his current role, Garcia oversees guest satisfaction, hotel openings and roughly 530 employees, and conducts site visits. Garcia plans to keep advancing in the hospitality management field, and eventually transition into hotel ownership.

He says that Chaffey played an important role in his current success.

“The professors care,” he said. “I think that this is a great starting point to get you into a bigger program.”

Baseball and Men’s Basketball Claim Conference



Chaffey Panthers celebrated a strong 2024-2025 athletics season, with both baseball and men’s basketball securing Inland Empire Athletic Conference (IEAC) titles.

Baseball finished the season with a 20-4 record and 34-11-1 overall, earning their third consecutive conference title and advancing to Super Regionals in the 3C2A SoCal Regional Bracket.

Former Head Baseball Coach Andrew Smith was named IEAC Baseball Coach of the Year. Men’s Basketball Coach Jeff Klein reached his 500th career win and was named IEAC Men’s Basketball Coach of the Year.



Social Wellness & Behavioral Support Remains Central

Chaffey’s Social Wellness & Behavioral Support has a new brand and training model to better support student wellness during times of heightened social, political and campus-related stress.

Chaffey Connects, formerly Behavior Intervention Team, is a holistic approach to the student-centered referral network for wellness, safety and basic needs resources. The program has also strengthened partnerships with PRISM, the Higher Education Assessment Team and the Veterans Resource Center.

The program began training faculty and staff in identifying suicide warning signs through the SafeTALK suicide prevention training program, offered in partnership with the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health.

PRISM Marks Two Years of Supporting Students

Chaffey’s PRISM Undocumented/LGBTQIA+ Student Resource Center celebrated its second anniversary on November 1.

The Center hosted more than a dozen LGBTQIA+ events during the ‘24-’25 academic year and provided space for students to unite and build community.

To further support Chaffey’s undocumented student population, PRISM introduced the college’s first in-house, asynchronous UndocuALLY Training, completed by over 250 faculty and staff.

With its ongoing growth and impact on campus, the center was honored with a Certificate of Recognition from Assembly member Blanca E. Rubio.



Advocacy and Resilience Encompass Black and Brown Minds & Mattering Conference



The 3rd annual Black and Brown Minds & Mattering Conference brought together hundreds of students, higher education professionals and community members for a day of meaningful discussion, cultural pride and scholarship.

Keynote speakers included Dr. Keith Curry, Compton College President/CEO, and Anna Alvarado, Latinx artist and storyteller.

The conference included a series of workshops covering mentorship, music’s influence on learning and mental health. High school students attended classes on navigating college, applying for scholarships and financial literacy.

Panthers Awarded \$71K in Student Success Incentive

Chaffey College awarded more than \$71,000 to 1,421 students through a new pilot program aimed at helping students graduate on time without paying for unnecessary classes.

The Fall Student Success Incentive Program rewarded students for meeting with a counselor to complete an educational plan or check to make sure they were on track to graduate.

Chaffey Counseling Faculty Fabiola Espitia said students have expressed gratitude for the incentive, and it has definitely encouraged more students to come in for help.

The incentive funds come from a \$25 million gift the college received in 2021 from philanthropist and author MacKenzie Scott.

Rising Scholars Celebrates Commencement

Stories of resilience and determination filled the halls of both the California Institution for Women and the California Institution for Men during a pair of commencement ceremonies in December and May.

Curtis Hill, one of 35 class of 2025 graduates at CIM, earned an associate’s degree, two certificates and graduated with honors despite initially not believing he was cut out for college.

Annamaria Gana was one of six graduates earning degrees and certificates at CIW.

“Thank you, Chaffey College for giving me this chance,” she said.



Disability Awareness Fair Draws 600

The campus community came together on March 13 to celebrate the annual “Disability Awareness Fair.” Students enjoyed free food, live music and interactive booths that highlighted both campus resources and community organizations.

“For me, as someone with low autism, it’s important to celebrate disabilities—no matter what type someone has,” said Joshua Reynoso, a criminal justice major. “Some people may have disabilities that aren’t immediately visible.”

Fewer than 22 percent of college students with disabilities nationwide request academic support – a statistic Disability Programs and Services Director Jacob Peck aims to change. He said many students often avoid seeking help due to fear of stigma. “They try to struggle through, or a lot of times we lose them,” Peck said.

This year’s fair placed special emphasis on hidden disabilities, including mental health conditions, autism, chronic illnesses and neurological disorders. Peck noted that students with these conditions often experience greater stigma than those with visible disabilities.



New Aquatic Center Makes a Splash

The splash of water and big smiles filled the new Aquatic Center on March 20 as community members and campus leaders gathered to celebrate the completion of the center’s \$14.2 million renovation project.

After five years of anticipation, Chaffey’s swim team – wearing red team uniforms, goggles and caps – took a dive off the platforms for an inaugural lap in the crystal blue water.

The project, funded by taxpayers through the \$700 million Measure P bond, began in spring 2023 and was completed in January.

Superintendent/President Henry D. Shannon spoke of the historic moment for Chaffey College and the community.

“The reopening of this facility signifies a historic moment for all of us,” he said. “We look forward to welcoming current and future generations of Panthers who will enjoy this beautiful pool. This is for you!”

The upgraded facility includes a new 400-seat bleacher section with a shade canopy, a renovated pool and deck and two new buildings totaling 2,566 square feet with meeting and office spaces.

The renovation project brought the return of not only Chaffey’s Men’s and Women’s Water Polo and Swimming and Diving teams to the Center, but also the Youth Summer Swim Program, which had been on hiatus since 2020 when the pool closed.



Cultivating the Next Generation of Changemakers in Student Life

Elaria Michael had grown so used to Chaffey College’s online classes as a dual enrollment student that she decided to continue learning online when she graduated from Etiwanda High School in 2024.

All that changed when she was on campus for a financial aid appointment and spotted a “Legal Society” flier. After attending some club meetings, she switched to in-person courses and has not looked back.

Michael now serves as an officer with the club, a senator with Chaffey College Student Government, and is well on her way to realizing her dream of becoming an attorney.

“I’ve been able to collaborate with faculty, and I have been around so many people I otherwise wouldn’t have if it wasn’t for student government or the Legal Society being on campus,” she said. “If I was just a student that came to campus and left, I wouldn’t have gotten all these learning experiences.”

Michael is just one of many stories of transformation resulting from the boost of activity in Student Life and student government.

Foot traffic has increased in Student Life from roughly 50 students per week in 2024 to between 800 and 1,100 this fall. Students gather around pool, air hockey and ping pong tables, snack on popcorn during night movie screenings and even get help with public speaking, resumes and cover letters at workshops.

Studies show that student engagement contributes to college



success. A 2024 report by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles showed that one in four students “stop out” - temporarily halt their studies – partly because they do not have a sense of belonging on their campuses.

“Dr. Shannon gave us a clear directive to build a team to support student engagement,” said Dr. Albert Rodriguez, Executive Director of Student Life, Equity and Engagement. “Getting students back to campus and spending time here in between their class schedules takes consistent team effort and it takes listening to our students. When students tell us how we can support them, we listen.”

“When students tell us how we can support them, we listen.”

- Dr. Albert Rodriguez, Executive Director of Student Life, Equity and Engagement.

Rodriguez commended his team, made up of managers and classified professionals, for their hard work in putting life into student life. An additional key component was the hiring Director of Student Life, Equity and Engagement, Sadie Grantham.

Grantham, whose work is focused on supporting student leaders and equity programming, said she wants to offer students an environment

that will bring more of them to campus, particularly those who are struggling with adversities.

“Some of them don’t have place where they can go and feel safe and secure,” she said. “I have experienced those students, and they have expressed what even a karaoke night can mean to them, to just have a place where they can come and get snacks and have people who love and support them and experience joy.”

That sense of belonging extends to student leadership opportunities as well. Through organizations such as Chaffey College Student Government, clubs and cultural affinity groups, students are breaking out of their shells and finding their place at Chaffey College.

Under Grantham’s leadership, CCSG has grown 250 percent in the last year, and students passed their first statewide resolution in eight years. She hopes to continue recruiting student leaders from across campus, to create a more holistic student voice.

“My team and I want to help students realize the potential they have, lovingly push them outside of their comfort zone, help them find what it is they’re passionate about, what’s their ‘why’ and how we can grow them into better leaders.



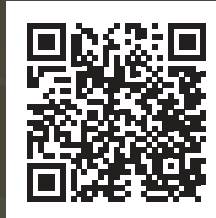
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Like Father Like Daughter

Dr. Loren Sanchez '55

*Retired Upland Unified School District Superintendent,
Chaffey College Foundation Board Member*

Sharron Sanchez '80

Television Sound Engineer

She works behind the scenes on productions like Wheel of Fortune and the Superbowl, and he is a veteran of education – from classroom teacher to school district superintendent.

What do they have in common?

Dr. Loren Sanchez '55 and his daughter, Sharron '80, are Chaffey College alumni student-athletes, the only father-daughter duo inducted into Chaffey's Athletic Hall of Fame and believers in the power of teamwork and leadership.

Dr. Sanchez, an Upland native, enrolled at Chaffey College when it was located in Ontario. He took general education classes, played football, baseball and rugby and met his future wife, Kay Manor.

"She saw me on campus and took the initiative to ask me to a dance," he said.

He used the same tough-but-fair approach of his coaches as an administrator for the Upland Unified School District, where he served as superintendent from 1988 to 1999.

"I learned you need to be firm and fair. You need to listen to people and you need to have a vision of what you want to take place," he said.

He has given back to his community as a Chaffey College Foundation board member since 2000.

Sharron Sanchez played sports in high school and came to Chaffey to join the women's basketball team. She also played softball and volleyball during her time as a Panther.

A fond memory came during a 1980 softball tournament when she laid down a bunt that helped win the game.

She found her calling when she took a television production class.

"As soon as I stepped into that studio and took that class, I said, 'Yes, this is what I want to do,'" she said.

The teamwork she learned at Chaffey helps her today as a television sound engineer.

"You work as a team," she said. "You have to."

Dr. Sanchez was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996 and his daughter in 2003, an honor they both cherish.



‘WE SUCCEEDED TOGETHER’: Celebrating the Class of 2025

Freedom and the promise of a better life convinced Ariel Galindo to walk away from his native Guatemala in 2001. But it would take another two decades for him to work up the courage to go to college.

Through hard work and determination, the psychology major finished what he started and shared his testimony before thousands at the Chaffey College 2025 Commencement Ceremony as student speaker.

“The diversity in this space represents the real face of this country,” Galindo said. “We dream together. We struggle together. We learn together. And today—we succeed together.”

The ceremony at the Toyota Arena in Ontario on May 22 marked the completion of programs for more than 2,800 students for the 2024-2025 academic year.

The graduating class earned 21 percent more awards than in 2024, including nearly 1,300 certificates and nearly 2,500 degrees. Students also more than doubled the number of associate degrees for transfer they earned compared to the previous year.

The median age of graduates was 24 years old, with the five youngest students being 16 and the two oldest at 72.

Filmmaker Moisés Zamora served as keynote speaker and shared his inspirational story of rising to success as the executive producer and co-showrunner of the global hit “Selena: The Series” on Netflix. He expressed the importance of resilience, community and joy.

“Look at someone nearby. Maybe you don’t know them. Maybe you do. But today you share a truth. You both made it. That matters. That’s community. That’s the garment of destiny stitched together with struggle, with love, with grit,” he said.





600 Inland Empire High School Students Explore Manufacturing Careers

The Industrial Technical Learning Center hosted its annual National Manufacturing Day event on October 3, drawing hundreds of middle- and high school students from around the Inland Empire.

From robot dogs, to welding simulators and more – innovation could be found all around at the center, where students came from Fontana, Upland, Montclair, Rialto, Colton, Grand Terrace, Jurupa Valley, Yucaipa and Ontario schools. The event aims to highlight modern manufacturing careers and inspire future workers.

About 25 area employers, including Mission Foods, FedEx, Howmet Aerospace, B. Braun Medical and California Steel Industries-Nucor met with students and talked to them about career paths. InTech faculty spoke about careers with a focus in robotics, industrial electrical and mechanical in the center’s labs.

Gabby Zenteno, an eighth grader at Vineyard STEM Magnet School in Ontario, hoped to find inspiration for building at the event. She’s already learning how to design rollercoasters in her classes and wants to one day build airplanes and vehicles.

“When I was in the sixth grade, I knew I wanted to be an engineer because I love building,” she said.

Several current Chaffey students participated in demonstrations for the visitors too, including Alexander Estrada and Rodolfo Briones who are enrolled in the Chino Industrial Electrical Technology/Mechatronics Program. The pair created a device called “Trick or Treat” just in time for Halloween. They configured a point-of-sale device to allow visitors to choose “trick” – triggering several machines to flash lights and move, or “treat” – commanding a robot arm to pick up a piece of candy and deliver it to the user.

Briones said he wishes he could have had access to an event like Manufacturing Day when he was younger so he could have started his journey in his 20s rather than his 30s.

“To explain this to them, I feel like I’m doing a service that I never had,” he said.



Reinvesting in Extended Learning and Community Education

This year Chaffey College launched an initiative to revive a variety of educational programs for community members. The first of these efforts was the return of the Youth Summer Swim Program this past June.

Dr. Janeth Rodriguez, executive director of extended learning and community education, is working to create new partnerships with local city organizations to develop quality programs that serve community members of all ages and address regional priorities. Forthcoming initiatives include courses designed for older adults that will focus on promoting health, wellness and digital literacy.

Additionally, there will be new opportunities for adult learners to gain in-demand job skills through short-term Career Technical Education (CTE) not-for-credit programs and other noncredit courses, such as English as a Second Language (ESL).

The college is also advancing the continuation and further development of credit apprenticeship programs, which combine paid work experience with college instruction. The goal for these programs is to increase the number of equitable pathways for community members to obtain high-demand careers.



New Management and Leaders



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Dean, Instructional Support

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Information Technology Services
Hannah Seidler-Wright, *Mathematics*
Amanda Admire, *Institutional Research* chaffey.edu 19



Moving on Up: Measure P Milestones

Chaffey College has made significant progress in the development and completion of several Measure P bond projects. In November 2018 voters passed a \$700 million bond (Measure P) to update and develop Chaffey’s infrastructure for future generations.

RECENTLY COMPLETED

Swimming Pool Renovation *Completed in Spring 2025*

Following the grand opening of the Aquatic Center this past spring, Chaffey water sports teams and children who participated in the Summer Swim program have been among the first to enjoy the new pool and its facilities. The Center features a 400-seat bleacher system and expanded spaces for instruction and community events.

Chino Instructional Building *Completed in Summer 2025*

This new two-story building totaling approximately 35,000 square feet is the new home to Chaffey’s nursing programs and offers technology-rich general education classrooms, faculty offices and flexible teaching spaces. The building is targeting a Zero Net Energy (ZNE) certification and offers both indoor and outdoor event and learning spaces.



Library/Learning Commons

NEAR COMPLETION

Library/Learning Commons (LLC) *Opening Spring 2026*

The new LLC is near completion with the finishing touches to the interior and exterior underway. As the college’s flagship project, the three-story structure features approximately 76,000 square feet of space for a state of the art library, classrooms, study spaces and dedicated areas for faculty support.

Michael Alexander Campus Center (MACC) Renovation *Opening Summer 2026*

This renovation project is under construction with steel erection nearing completion. At its completion the building will feature a modernized food service area and an additional 9,000 square feet of gathering space, including 400 indoor seating accommodations.

UPCOMING DEVELOPMENTS

New Fontana Campus *Estimated Completion: 2029*

Preconstruction and design development are in progress for a new campus that will house all academic programs and services from the current Fontana Campus and more. The new campus will also feature an Automotive Technology Lab facility.

New Ontario Campus Design criteria for campus development is in progress. The new campus will feature a cybrary and house a variety of instructional and technology programs.

Building a Sustainable Campus Community

Chaffey College’s investment in solar, renewable energy and recycling paves the way for a cleaner and more efficient college campus.

Solar/Renewable Energy

Solar carports at the Rancho Cucamonga, Chino and Fontana campuses have generated a total of nearly 65.7 million kWh since becoming operational in 2018. This is enough electricity to power 6,570 homes for a year and has reduced the college’s carbon footprint by over 61 million pounds of carbon dioxide. The estimated cost savings for the District is more than \$15 million.

Greenhouse Gas Savings

Electric vehicle charging stations are operational on all three campuses. As of mid-2019, over 10,000 charging sessions have been logged, and over 160,000 pounds of greenhouse gases have been saved. Nearly \$40,000 in revenue has been generated to date.

Recycling

More than 800 pounds of light tubes and bulbs, 275 pounds of batteries and 250 shipping pallets were recycled during the 2024-2025 academic year.

Compost Donations

More than 300 cubic yards of compost and mulch was donated to the local community through Chaffey’s partnership with the City of Rancho Cucamonga and Burrtec Waste.

Planning for Green Buildings

The new Fontana and Ontario campuses in development will meet California Green Building Standards Code, with carport and rooftop solar arrays and EV chargers in 20 percent of parking spaces.



Lieutenant Mike Mason Joins Chaffey College Campus Police

Chaffey College Police Department swore in Lt. David “Mike” Mason June 9. Lieutenant Mason is a law enforcement veteran, who brings more than two decades of dedicated service, leadership and community commitment to his new role.

Lt. Mason began his career in December 2002 with the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department, graduating from Academy Class #153. Over the past 23 years, Lt. Mason has served with distinction across a wide spectrum of assignments including sheriff custody operations and patrol Victorville and Rancho Cucamonga, to specialized roles as a K9 Handler (Bloodhound Tracking), range instructor, and narcotics task force investigator.

His leadership was further solidified through his promotion to sergeant, where he led teams in some of the county’s most challenging areas, including San Bernardino.

Known for his deep commitment to community engagement, ethical policing and professional development, Lt. Mason has consistently prioritized service, mentorship and public trust.

Lt. Mason brings a wealth of operational expertise and a vision for a safe, inclusive and collaborative campus environment.

Helping More Students Reach the Finish Line

Jonathan Cao learned the value of hard work and determination early on as a child growing up in a low-income Cuban American family household in Miami. His family viewed college as life-changing, but often out of reach.

Despite his circumstances, Cao worked hard, joined the U.S. Marine Corps after high school, and later enrolled as a finance major at Chaffey College. Thanks to the Finish Line Scholarship, he’s getting some help to realize his dream.

“My ultimate goal is to become a financial analyst, using my skills to help businesses thrive and create opportunities for others,” he said. “I hope to inspire others from similar backgrounds to persevere and achieve their dreams, no matter the obstacles.”

Cao is one of many Chaffey College students who have benefitted from the Finish Line Scholarship through the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FoundationCCC) since the program launched in 2020. It’s being supported by the Jay Pritzker Foundation, which has pledged \$100 million to 34 California community colleges during the next 20 years.

The program began as a way to help students stay enrolled during the pandemic, said Dr. Jodi Samuels, who oversees the program for FoundationCCC. During the first four years of the program, a total of \$18.3 million went to more than 17,600 students across the state for help with everything from education expenses, to food, housing and technology.

“The first year everything was for emergency aid so we could get students funding quickly,” Samuels said. “Year two and since then, the majority of the funding has gone toward scholarships.”

Colleges that are part of the program can keep using about 20 percent of the money they receive for emergency assistance, with the rest going toward scholarships.

Samuels, who has worked for FoundationCCC for more than five years, considers the scholarship program distinctive from others because of its flexibility. She says students pursuing certificate programs, especially those outside of certain age groups often get left out of such opportunities.

“It’s an opportunity to really support different types of students compared to more traditional scholarships and types of financial aid,” Samuels said.

The requirements are that students must be at least halfway through their program of study and need to complete it within one academic year. The emergency aid is open to anyone with a financial hardship.

Julissa Gonzalez, who plans to transfer to a University of California school to pursue a career as a forensic anthropologist, said the funding she received from Finish Line helped her participate in a study abroad program in Spain during the summer.

“This is the region of Spain where I conducted my honors linguistics research project,” she said. “This opportunity came with a heavy price tag, and because of the Finish Line Scholars Program, I was able to fulfill both my academic and personal travel goals last summer.”



Chaffey College Foundation

History

The Chaffey College Foundation has proudly served students for nearly 40 years. Guided by a 16-member volunteer board, the Foundation is dedicated to helping students achieve their educational goals. In the last fiscal year alone, it awarded more than \$1 million in scholarships to 2,568 students. Beyond scholarships, the Foundation provides vital academic program support, most recently benefitting the nursing program. These efforts are made possible through the generosity of individuals, corporations, and private foundations.

Mission

The Chaffey College Foundation’s mission is to seek and secure financial support, resources, and partnerships to enhance continuous learning, education, and career opportunities for the students and local communities served by the Chaffey Community College District.

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Eyes on Fiscal 2025-2026

The 2025–2026 state budget was signed June 27 with California Community Colleges receiving a cost of living adjustment (COLA) of 2.30 percent base increase to the student-centered funding formula as well as to many state categorical funds.

The state’s budget for state community colleges focuses on stability. To address the nearly \$12 billion funding shortfall, the budget relies on a series of cuts, deferrals, and use of the rainy-day funds to preserve budget stability. To support the system’s Vision 2030 and Roadmap goals, ongoing and one-time investments were prioritized for foundation resources, pathway and student supports, faculty supports, and technology and data sharing.

Overall, funding for community colleges has increased compared to last year.

Building on the previous year’s Enrollment Recovery Plan, the District has realized promising outcomes, with an increase in Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES) from 16,411.12 in 2023–2024 to 16,602.50 in 2024–2025.

However, the 2025–2026 state budget cycle was marked by complicated finances, economic uncertainty, complications regarding the impacts of federal policy, and the January fires. To mitigate, the District has implemented prudent fiscal measures including projecting and planning for future liabilities, securing district reserves, evaluating PERS & STRS increases and other post-employment benefits (OPEB), and establishing appropriate funding sources.

For the 2025–2026 year, Measure P general obligation bond budget will be used for several projects including the Library Learning Commons and the Michael Alexander Campus Center. Bond funds are also in use for the design and planning of the new campuses in Fontana and Ontario.

To enhance student learning experiences, the District recruited and hired 12 full-time faculty members for the fall 2025 term. The infusion of faculty expertise across disciplines reaffirms and reinvigorates the District’s commitment to teaching and learning, placing an emphasis on student access, academic success, and career readiness, and job placement.

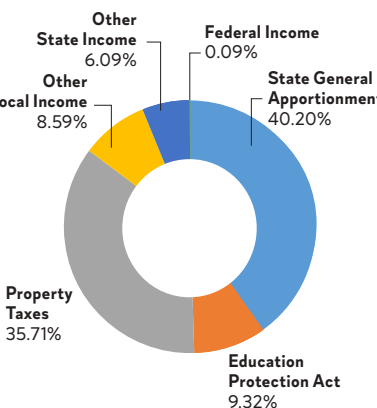
Empowering the Future: Historic Year of Growth

We are off to a strong start at Chaffey College with the largest student headcount recorded in our history! We have reached this milestone thanks to our dedicated faculty and staff. The core of our mission is centered on empowering our diverse students, and we are better positioned than ever to achieve this. This year, our Chaffey College Student Government is the largest in the California Community College system, with 42 elected officers serving as advocates for student success.

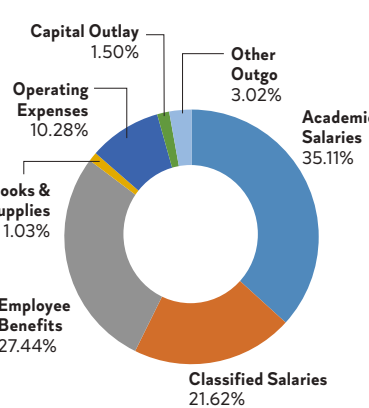
Our full time equivalent students now exceed pre-pandemic levels, but Chaffey will continue to strengthen enrollment, student retention and reengagement. Supporting ongoing costs for multiple instructional modalities, technology infrastructure and software, mental health services, and other equity-driven initiatives – while also addressing inflation and broader economic uncertainties – requires thoughtful and strategic financial planning. Chaffey College prioritizes maintaining strong reserves to ensure long-term fiscal resilience.

We will continue to pursue prudent enrollment and retention strategies while evaluating programs, improving processes, and expanding student touchpoints. Infrastructure investment remains a priority, with continued use of allowable restricted funding for technology enhancements. Monitoring vacant positions and operating costs will help preserve resources for critical areas, including technology, capital projects, the Pension Stability Trust, and institutional reserves.

Unrestricted General Fund Adopted Budget 2025-2026	
Basic Apportionment	\$70,578,136
Education Protection Act	\$16,361,593
Property Taxes	\$62,683,528
Other Local Income	\$15,070,821
Other State Income	\$10,688,355
Federal Income	\$162,000
Total Unrestricted Budgeted Revenues	\$175,544,433



Use of Revenue	
Academic Salaries	\$62,849,880
Classified Salaries	\$38,700,500
Employee Benefits	\$49,118,014
Books & Supplies	\$1,839,623
Operating Expenses	\$18,393,220
Capital Outlay	\$2,684,482
Other Outgo	\$5,399,152
Total Unrestricted Budgeted Expenses	\$178,984,871

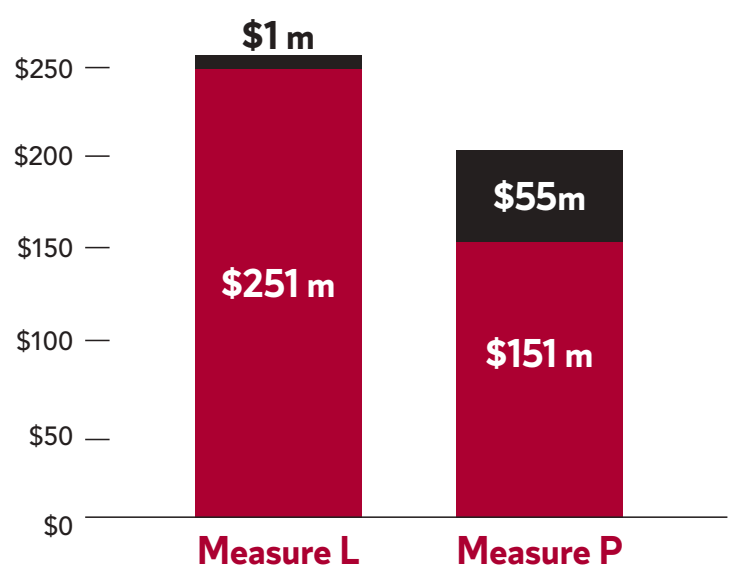


Investing in Chaffey’s Future

In 2002, District residents approved Measure L, a \$229,830,000 general obligation bond that has transformed the Chaffey campuses. In the years since that vote, the College has fulfilled its promise to provide the community with state-of-the-art learning facilities. In 2018, a general obligation bond proposition for \$700 million (Measure P) was approved by the voters of the district with the first \$200 million issued in 2019. Measure P provides the district with funds to add an additional campus in Ontario, construct new buildings and improve infrastructure. Funds continue to be used to build new classrooms and rehabilitate existing classrooms and labs. Additionally, improvements are being made to Chaffey’s electrical capacity and wiring for technology.

The bar graph demonstrates the amount of funds disbursed and committed to projects within each bond measure. The total value for each includes the amount of interest/earnings attributed to each measure.

Bond Issuance (in millions)



Financial & Performance Audit

Pursuant to the requirements of Proposition 39 and related State legislation, a Financial and Performance Audit is performed for Measure L and P. Audit reports can be found at www.chaffey.edu/facilitiesdevelopment/citizens-oversight.php

Our Commitment to Taxpayers

The ballot measure promised that the tax rate increment would not exceed \$25 per \$100,000 assessed valuation. The interest and gains the college has earned on its bond fund investments has increased the total bond revenue/proceeds.

Measure L & P Citizen's Oversight Committee for 2025-2026

MEMBER	RESIDENCE	CATEGORY
Wayne Bradley	Ontario	Member
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Vince Greer	Rancho Cucamonga	Member
Jamie Harwood	Chino	Business Organization
Richard Riley	Ontario	Taxpayer Organization
Audrey Voigt	Upland	Senior Advisory

Increment Bond Rating Tax Rate

YEAR	ACTUAL
2002-2003	\$10.80
2003-2004	\$13.90
2004-2005	\$10.80
2005-2006	\$34.10
2006-2007	\$16.70
2007-2008	\$19.20
2008-2009	\$20.90
2009-2010	\$12.20
2010-2011	\$9.10
2011-2012	\$15.30
2012-2013	\$11.10
2013-2014	\$15.70
2014-2015	\$10.90
2015-2016	\$11.30
2016-2017	\$11.60
2017-2018	\$8.80
2018-2019	\$15.30
2019-2020	\$24.10
2020-2021	\$11.10
2021-2022	\$17.70
2022-2023	\$13.70
2023-2024	\$10.00
2024-2025	\$10.00
2025-2026	\$19.63

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