OUR PROMISE...

Vision
Learning for Success

Mission
Our mission is to provide an engaging teaching and learning environment for students of diverse origins, experiences, needs, abilities, and goals. As a comprehensive community college, we support and encourage students who are pursuing transfer-readiness, general education, basic skills, career and technical training, aesthetic and cultural enrichment, and lifelong education.

We are committed to helping our students achieve the learning outcomes necessary to contribute as individuals and global citizens living responsibly, effectively, and creatively in an interdependent and ever-changing world.

Values

▶ Excellence in teaching, learning, and service
▶ Integrity as the foundation for all we do
▶ Access to our programs and services
▶ Equity and the fair treatment of all in our policies and procedures
▶ Diversity in learning environments, philosophies, cultures, beliefs, and people
▶ Inclusiveness of individual and collective viewpoints in collegial decision-making processes
▶ Mutual respect and trust through transparency, civility, and open communications
▶ Creativity and innovation in engaging students, faculty, staff, and administrators
▶ Physical presence and participation in the community

Strategic Goals

GOAL 1:
Implement instructional strategies that strengthen and connect teaching and learning across the college.

GOAL 2:
Strengthen efforts to improve outreach, persistence, and student success.

GOAL 3:
Strengthen the college’s message to our community.

GOAL 4:
Strengthen, promote, and support the college’s diverse workforce through strategies focused on recruitment, hiring, and retention.

GOAL 5:
Ensure the fiscal stability of the college and increase enrollments.
In 2016-17, Palomar College celebrated 70 Years of Student Success and continued a legacy of providing an exceptional educational experience for each of our students. After my first year as Palomar College’s 10th Superintendent/President, I am proud of the expansive achievements of this diverse and creative campus community. This report outlines some outstanding accomplishments, shows the progress made in key areas over the past year, and highlights some of the extraordinary people who made this possible.

Palomar’s 70th anniversary year has inspired reflection on our history and values from past to present. This transformative year has also set the foundation for better serving students by providing innovative programs; increasing access; re-engaging communities; and enhancing and expanding facilities.

Our students and programs continued to receive national recognition and our staff consistently demonstrated a commitment to student success. Our education, government and business partners provided support and leadership in a variety of ways. And our generous donors allowed more students to achieve their unique educational goals.

We benefit today from the hard work of so many who have come before us. And we continue to build on that legacy. This has indeed been a very promising year, and we look forward to an even more promising future.

“We are a community of educators with a critical social consciousness and commitment to equity, innovation, workforce training, economic mobility and collective impact.”

Joi Lin Blake, Ed.D.
70 YEARS OF STUDENT SUCCESS

From the moment our first students arrived in September 1946, Palomar College has been a pillar of higher education in San Diego, a place where student success comes first. Across a remarkable span of history, this singular focus made Palomar a cornerstone of the community and an economic engine in the region.

Last September, the college celebrated its 70th anniversary. We look back with fondness on decades of explosive growth, athletic prowess, academic prestige, and establishing an iconic physical presence in the community.

But it is the success of our students that has always been, and will always be, the heart and soul of the Palomar College story.

Davis Family Profile

Byron Gibbs launched his career as a Palomar College teacher and counselor in 1967. Fifty years later, his grandson, Anthony Davis, became the third generation of Gibbs’ family to put down roots at the college.

Anthony’s grandmother, Anna Gibbs, attended Palomar. His mother and two aunts attended Palomar. And Gibbs also has a great-grandson in his teens, who, if he enrolls at Palomar, would extend the family legacy to four generations.

With that pedigree, it made sense when Anthony joined the debate team and was promptly nicknamed “Legacy.”

“I love my grandfather. The summer before I enrolled, we came down and walked the campus together,” recalled Anthony, 18, who has served on the Associated Student Government and is studying information security at Palomar.

Across three generations, the Gibbs-Davis family has tested, and proved, the Palomar commitment to student success. Grandfather and grandson alike expressed pride in their connections to the college.

“I don’t have enough buttons to pop,” Gibbs said. “It’s hard to put into words. I’m just really proud of him.”

We predict that as the years pass, this junior college will become outstanding as an institution where the youth of northern San Diego County may acquire their earlier years of college training in a wholesome and economical home environment.

-Vista Press, September 19, 1946
OUR STUDENTS

DEMOGRAPHICS

36% 20 & under
26% 21-24
21% 25-34
8% 35-44
9% 45 & over

COLLEGE STATISTICS

Top 5 cities
- Escondido: 23%
- San Marcos: 14%
- Vista: 10%
- Oceanside: 9%
- San Diego: 7%

GENDER

Male: 52%
Female: 47%
Did not identify: 1%

ETHNICITY

White Non-Hispanic: 37%
Multi-Ethnic: 4%
Native American: 1%
Filipino: 2%
Black Non-Hispanic: 3%
Asian/Pacific Islander: 5%
Hispanic: 44%
Unknown/Declined to Answer: 4%

TRANSFERS

Top in-state transfer destinations
- Cal State San Marcos (CSUSM)
- San Diego State (SDSU)
- University of California, San Diego (UCSD)
- National University
- Cal State Fullerton
- Cal State Long Beach

Top out-of-state transfer destinations
- Arizona State University
- Northern Arizona University
- Grand Canyon University
It was a big day, and the Howard Brubeck Theatre was standing room only. On February 22, College officials were unveiling the Palomar Promise, the program that guarantees a free first year for eligible students from the district’s 21 comprehensive high schools. More than 150 students from two local high schools packed the theatre, along with local mayors, state representatives, superintendents, principals and community members.

The excitement was well-founded: Through the college’s First-Year Experience (FYE) program, Palomar Promise students will receive dedicated academic and career planning with related support services to ensure their college success. They will also benefit from up to $1,000 in textbook assistance during the first year.

As the college prepared for an influx of Promise students, two organizations committed a combined $1.5 million to the program: Follett Corporation, which manages the college’s bookstore, pledged $1 million, and the Palomar College Foundation provided $500,000. The college continues to work with community teams throughout the district to raise funds to support and expand the program.
With the Promise, I’m set. I have to go. That really solidified my choice. I feel like Palomar has my back.

"Rynon Reyes

Rynon Reyes, 18, will start classes at Palomar this fall in hopes of becoming a nurse, like both of his parents. A North County native, Rynon recently interned at Palomar Hospital, where his father works as an orthopedic nurse. The Mission Hills graduate considered four-year schools, but will be taking Palomar up on its Promise instead."
Two of Palomar’s brightest made their way to Sacramento this spring as part of the Phi Theta Kappa All-USA Community College Academic Team. Forrest Ponsot was awarded $1,500 during the ceremony, which included a private tour of the State Capitol. Juan Flores attended both the Sacramento ceremony and went on to receive a $5,000 national scholarship a month later in New Orleans as part of the national team.

Forrest Ponsot, 21, is a San Diego native who grew up in Escondido and graduated Palomar College in May with a GPA of 4.0. Ponsot spent his last two semesters at Palomar as Phi Theta Kappa President, and has been accepted into UC Berkeley to study Philosophy.

“I’m thinking about doing something to help others, like starting a nonprofit,” he said.

Juan Flores, 29, grew up in a rough neighborhood in South San Diego and overcame immense personal challenges to arrive at Palomar in 2014. He graduated in May with a GPA of 3.7 and will transfer to UC Berkeley this fall to study Sociology. “A lot of people tell me it’s an incredible story,” said Flores. “For me, it’s just my life. I want to use it to make a positive impact.”
STRENGTHENING EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS

Building a strong, educated workforce has long been the central focus of Palomar’s promise to the region. The Palomar service area encompasses 21 comprehensive high schools and an additional 40-plus charter and private schools across a dozen districts. With such a broad educational base, building strong school partnerships is the key to increasing access and completion.

K-12 PARTNERS

From introducing the Palomar Promise to expanding concurrent enrollment options, the college focused on strengthening relationships with K-12 district partners. This year, Palomar showed its steadfast commitment to the region’s high school students in several ways, including a closer partnership with their teachers and administrators. Last fall the college kicked off the school year with a breakfast for local superintendents and principals, who met the new college president, along with the academic and counseling deans.

In Ramona, Palomar re-engaged the community by opening a new site and offering classes at Ramona High School. The college is also forging a strengthened partnership with San Pasqual Academy, where there are plans to offer Palomar programs.

“We’ve been working with every district in the area to find out what we can offer them,” said Adrian Gonzales, Vice President, Student Services. “We’re making some innovative paths for high school students.”

FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITIES

Palomar continues to provide a seamless pathway for transfer by partnering with key four-year institutions: CSUSM, UCSD, SDSU, University of San Diego, Point Loma Nazarene, All UC and CSU campuses.

Joint grant programs between Palomar and CSU San Marcos, in particular, continue to provide North County students with increased educational opportunities in STEM education.
CAMPUS KUDOS FOR FACULTY AND STAFF

The year was filled with achievements and awards for faculty and staff, bringing the college local, regional and national recognition. Below are highlights of recent kudos that helped the campus earn status as the #1 community college in San Diego County in the 2016 Union Tribune Readers Poll.

▶ **Superintendent/President, Dr. Joi Lin Blake** received the Community Service Award from the San Diego NAACP.

▶ **KKSM faculty and staff** received top recognition at the 77th Annual Intercollegiate Broadcasting awards. **Serena Reid**, **adjunct faculty** received the Jeff Tellis Outstanding Advisor Award and **Dr. Joseph Bagnall**, recently **retired adjunct faculty**, won Best Community Volunteer Personality/Program for his radio show, Doc’s Jazz.

▶ **Dr. Molly Faulkner, Professor of Dance**, presented at the Royal Academy of Dance, Dance Teaching for the 21st Century Conference in Sydney, Australia.

▶ For the second time in the last three seasons, **Leigh Marshall** was honored as California Community College Women’s Basketball Coach of the Year, this time after guiding the Comets to a 28-3 record and a spot in the state tournament semifinals.

▶ **Palomar College Television (PCTV) Producer/Director Bill Wisneski** won the Humanitarian Outstanding Achievement Award from the IndieFEST Film Awards competition for his work on a Joshua Tree documentary.

▶ **Palomar Symphony Orchestra Concertmaster and adjunct faculty member Ulli Reiner** was nominated for the Music Educator Award for the second year in a row, and was a top ten finalist from the Recording Academy and Grammy Foundation.

▶ **Women’s Softball Coach Lacey Craft** was recognized as Conference Coach of the Year by the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference.
I feel honored to work with the students at Palomar. They teach and inspire me through their diverse range of backgrounds, interests, and skills.

Katherine Kelp-Stebbins

This year’s full-time recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, Kelp-Stebbins holds a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature and teaches, among other classes, ENG 290, “Comic Books As Literature.” She has extensively researched comics around the world, including “the burgeoning comics industry in the Middle East.”
SERVING TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

The Palomar Community College District includes some of the most scenic and culturally rich territory in Southern California, and serves more Native American tribes than any other college district in the county. The college is re-engaging with the tribes that make up such a vibrant and vital part of not just the college, but the region itself.

“We’ve tried to be as collaborative as possible about what will actually benefit the tribes,” said Dr. Jack Kahn, Vice President, Instructional Services. “We are dedicated to making the right connections and understanding what kinds of instruction will be useful.”

Most of the tribes are located in the rural northern reaches of the district, where commute times to the San Marcos campus can stretch beyond an hour each way. That’s why, Kahn says, it will vastly improve Palomar’s ability to serve the tribes when the North Center opens near Fallbrook.

“These are our students, and we have a commitment to them,” he said. “We’re reconnecting with the tribes so we can meet their needs, in terms of classes, relationship and respect.”

LIST OF TRIBAL COMMUNITIES IN THE DISTRICT

▶ Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel ▶ Inaja-Cosmit Band of Indians
▶ La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians ▶ Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla and Cupeño Indians
▶ Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians ▶ Pala Band of Mission Indians ▶ Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians
▶ Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians ▶ San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians
Palomar reaches into the heart of the Native American community and offers opportunity. It’s an open door. You become part of this educational world with so many possibilities.

Anthony Brandenburg

After 18 years as a Commissioner on the California Superior Court, Brandenburg was asked to be the first Chief Judge of the Intertribal Court of Southern California when it was established in 2002. A veteran of the Marine Corps, he graduated in 1965 from Palomar with a degree in psychology. In 2008, Brandenburg was named a California Community College Distinguished Alumnus. He serves on the Palomar College Foundation Board.
SEPTEMBER
Tarde de Familia, with a focus on small business, drew over 250 students and their families.

Palomar was one of 14 colleges in the country to host “Send Silence Packing” suicide prevention event.

OCTOBER
Hosted 1st annual High School Superintendent/Principals breakfast.

Economic Impact Report: Palomar adds $911 million to regional economy.

Dr. Blake honored with NAACP Community Service Award.

NOVEMBER
The Foundation raised over $43,300 for Giving Tuesday to support student success.

Author and visionary Alex Montoya spoke about overcoming obstacles.

DECEMBER
ArbNet certified entire San Marcos campus as arboretum.

Performing Arts Winter Dance extravaganza entertained the campus.
JANUARY
Palomar received a “clean, unmodified opinion with no findings” on the districts’ financial audit—the highest possible grade.

Athletic Hall of Fame inducted 12 new members.

Governing Board members met with legislators in Sacramento.

MARCH
Officials broke ground on South Education Center site in Rancho Bernardo; It is opening summer 2018.

Women’s basketball team won 4th straight conference championship.

FEBRUARY
Tribal Leaders from across the district visited the campus.

The Palomar Promise launched for 21 local high school graduates. Dr. Martha Kanter, former Under Secretary of Education was keynote speaker.

APRIL
Palomar received $2 million innovation grant focused on STEM Pathways - the only community college in San Diego County chosen for the award.

Speech and Debate Team won at the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament for the second year in a row.

Women’s softball won 6th straight Pacific Coast Athletic Conference championship and its 34th title overall.

Officials broke ground for parking structure and police building.

Dr. Jack Kahn selected as Vice President, Instructional Services.

JUNE
Launched inaugural offerings of Summer Academies for local high school students.

Palomar received $400,000 donation to expand Food Pantry.

Students won Emmys at 43rd Annual National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Pacific Southwest Emmy Ceremony.
The team at Palomar’s radio station, KKSM, is used to accolades, having garnered dozens of individual and departmental awards over the last five years. But to the 11 students who traveled to New York in early March, the title of “Best Community College Radio Station” sounded as sweet as music.

“It was a big year for us,” said KKSM’s advisor, Zeb Navarro, recalling the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System’s (IBS) Golden Microphone ceremony. “For Palomar College to win these awards and be named a finalist is very prestigious.”

Broadcasting on 1320 AM, the station was especially praised for its use of social media “as an extension of broadcasting,” said Navarro. “The next thing we’re working on is developing podcasts.”

Since 2012, when the station began submitting for awards through national organizations like the IBS, the students, faculty and volunteers of KKSM have earned 44 awards and honors. These include the following IBS distinctions:

▶ Best Community College Radio Station, 2015 and 2017
▶ Best Facebook, 2017
▶ Best Community Volunteer Personality, Dr. Joe Bagnall, 2017
▶ Best Advisor, Zeb Navarro, 2016
▶ Twenty-four finalists in categories like Comedy Program, Station Promo and Specialty Music Show
Nancy Cordero

After high school, Cordero spent several years working as a veterinary assistant before enrolling at Palomar to pursue her dream of a career in music. This spring, she hosted two weekly shows on KKSM, playing alternative music on “Warped Wednesday” and hosting the reggae program “Irie Feels” on Thursday afternoons.

“I’ve always loved music. To actually be hosting on KKSM feels surreal. This is what I’m supposed to be doing. I’m glad I came back.”
ARBORETUM AWARD

In December, the unique collection of plants and trees at Palomar College was officially certified as a Level II Arboretum by ArbNet. With certification, Palomar became one of only two college campuses in California certified as arboretums, and the only community college in the state with the distinction.

Tony Rangel, Grounds Services Supervisor, said the designation came after years of hard work. Rangel and his crew labeled hundreds of plants and trees, wrote a plant collections policy, formalized their public education efforts, and created a database of the specimens on campus.

“The college has been here for 70 years now, and some of the plants have been here that long,” he said. “So trying to go back and get information about where the plant material came from—it’s a lot of work.”

Rangel said the college is now pushing to reach Level III (out of four possible).

“It’s awesome to know that people now recognize the plant collection on this campus is more than just some pretty plants,” he said.

At Palomar College, there are “at least 3,000 species, subspecies or cultivars” of plants and trees, said Rangel. If you include the surrounding hills, the number—and the life span—goes way up.

Rangel recalls finding a native shrub, a type of Ribes, on a nearby hillside and taking a cutting to determine its age: “I started counting the rings and I gave up at 120—and I’d say that was only about a quarter to half of the way through just that branch.”
Tony Rangel

As Palomar’s Grounds Services Supervisor, Rangel oversees a variety of crucial functions, from landscaping to recycling to water conservation. With a passion for horticulture, he has helped catalog the college’s plants and trees, and has cultivated a number of unique species on campus, many of which he collected and imported with USDA oversight during trips to Hawaii.

“At Palomar, there’s always an opportunity to learn, always an opportunity to share. It’s a great place to work.”
The students continually amaze me with their creative ability. At PCTV, they are immersed in a real-world, professional environment to prepare for jobs in the industry.

Luke Bisagna

Bisagna, who received the part-time Distinguished Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, has worked with students in Palomar College Television (PCTV) since 1999. He has won three Emmys and eight national awards for his sound design and audio mixing. In the classroom, Bisagna teaches video editing and promotes creative collaboration.
This year, Palomar College was awarded a variety of grants, adding up to a tremendous dollar amount that both recognizes the college’s innovations and empowers us to better serve students and the community.

The volume, complexity and diversity of grants that were brought to Palomar are a tribute to the dedication of our faculty and staff in identifying opportunities and executing successful grant packages.

- **$2 million** from the State of California’s Committee on Awards for Innovation in Higher Education awarded to fund the development of “innovative programs to increase completion rates and make college more affordable.” Palomar was one of 14 community colleges and districts selected to receive the grant in California—and the only one in San Diego County.

- **$400,000** from the California Apprenticeship Initiative’s (CAL) Pre-Apprenticeship Grant Program to fund Palomar College programs supporting women in STEM.

- **$97,880** from the San Diego Foundation’s Science & Technology Grants Program. In addition to funding the 2017-18 Summer Bridge program, the grant will fund makerspaces at the San Marcos campus, as well as at the South Education Center when it opens in summer 2018.

- **$798,858** from the National Science Foundation to support the expansion of Palomar’s “Unmanned Aircraft System operations Technician Education Program” (UASTEP).
The college enjoyed a wide range of programs, performances and activities that celebrated the diverse communities enriching the college and region. From dance and theatre performances to art exhibitions, presentations, and panel discussions, the variety of opportunities was extensive.

Throughout the year, the Performing Arts Department produced a series of plays focused on raising awareness around issues of race and inclusion. In the Fall, *Facing Our Truth: Six Ten-minute Plays on Trayvon, Race and Privilege* was performed and included a unique format for facilitated dialogues on issues of racial injustice, systemic violence, and white privilege. In the Spring, the performance of *Ten Acrobats in an Amazing Leap of Faith* addressed themes in society, including issues of religion, cultures, and values.

Each semester the Economics, History and Political Science Department hosted *Political Economy Days* – which celebrated its 10th year. This popular series included discussions on the Presidential and local elections, as well as other timely topics, featuring faculty from Palomar, CSU San Marcos, UC San Diego, and other colleges and universities.

The 2017 *Bravura* – Palomar’s award-winning student-produced literary journal – was a celebration of stories and artwork reflecting the subjects of diversity, inclusion, and race. For over 25 years, the journal has been produced by the English Department and presented at an event in the spring.

Students’ mental health was supported with a variety of activities throughout the year, including *Send Silence Packing*. Palomar was one of 14 colleges in the country, and the only one in San Diego County, to participate in this suicide prevention event.
During a night patrol in Helmand, Afghanistan in 2012, Chris stepped on an IED. He was medically retired from the Marine Corps a year later. Now 26 and married, he works as an inspirational model while pursuing a degree in business at Palomar, and plans to open a gym with his wife.

“I hope that, when people see the pictures of me, it inspires them to be proud of who they are. Palomar has helped me pursue my dream of inspiring others.”

Chris Van Etten
THE POWER OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Efforts were focused on establishing new community relationships and strengthening ongoing contacts to expand college outreach goals. The vast district boundaries include five cities – Escondido, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, and Vista – and multiple communities within unincorporated areas; each of these include municipal agencies, chambers, and tens of thousands of businesses. Harnessing the power of engaging these communities in collaborative opportunities supports student success, resulting in economic growth for the region. According to an Economic Impact Report published during the year, the district and its students added $910.7 million in additional income to the Palomar Community College District service area economy.

COMMUNITY AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The college solidified a number of community partnerships, while creating new connections, during 2016-17. Palomar’s collaboration with the Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank and North County Food Bank, combined with a $400,000 gift from a generous donor. This donation will provide the means to create a new, on-campus Food Pantry next year. Students also have access to more resources as a result of Palomar’s work with: The San Diego Foundation, Teri, Inc., North County Health Services, Vista Community Clinic

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY PARTNERS

To respond rapidly to industry needs, Palomar maintains close connections to the business community. The President’s Associates provides a conduit to local business leaders—particularly members of the building, construction and trade industries. Additionally, meetings were held throughout the year with advisory councils in fields such as: STEM, Healthcare, Public Safety, Diesel Technology, Welding, Water Technology, Other Career Technical Education programs
BUILDING A PROMISING FUTURE

BOND RATING BOOST AND NEW BONDS

The District received upgraded and affirmed bond ratings from both Moody’s (from AA2 to AA1) and Standard & Poor’s (from AA- to AA) in Spring 2017, setting the District’s rating the highest it has ever been from the two services.

In April, the District issued new bonds totaling $139 million as authorized in 2016 for Proposition M, the $694 million bond measure approved by local taxpayers. Following are some of the current highlights of the Proposition M campaign.

LIBRARY/LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER (LRC)

The college’s new library, also called the Learning Resource Center, was “Topped Out” with its final steel beam on July 28, 2016. When it opens in Spring 2018, the four-story, 85,000 square-foot facility will have meeting rooms, training rooms, offices, archives, and an adaptive technology center, in addition to books and periodical collections.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION LAB SCHOOL (ECELS)

The college’s new Early Childhood Education Lab School debuted on August 19, 2016. The three-building, 16,195 square-foot complex features inviting outdoor play areas and classrooms designed to bring the outdoor feel inside. Serving both the campus and surrounding community, ECELS includes seven classrooms and five play yards with slides, tunnels, bridges, climbing ramps and more.

SOUTH EDUCATION CENTER

A well-attended ceremony kicked off construction at the South Education Center in Rancho Bernardo on February 24, 2017. The site includes a 110,000 square-foot building that will be converted into a state-of-the-art educational facility for a Summer 2018 opening. The property also has a three-story parking structure.

PARKING STRUCTURE AND POLICE BUILDING

In April, college officials broke ground on a new parking structure and police building, scheduled to open in Spring 2018. The five-story parking structure will provide 1,615 parking spaces and will be equipped with license plate readers, emergency phones and security cameras. The Palomar College Police Department will relocate to a new single-story building adjacent to the parking structure.
FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Over the past two years, the District has demonstrated a record of outperforming the projected budget and developing sustained increases in the balance of the General Fund. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 budget totaled $523 million across all funds, of which $167 million represented the General Fund. Unrestricted General Fund Balance was consistently maintained above the minimum Board-required level of 7%.

The District management team continues to implement policies that promote fiscal strength and stability as well as ensure compliance with State and Federal regulations.

![REVENUE BY CATEGORY](chart1)
Total: $525 million

- $231 million Measure M Bond
- $167 million Combined General Fund
- $55 million Bond Interest Redemption
- $28 million Capital Outlay Funds
- $20 million Student Financial Aid
- $19 million Other Post Employment Benefits
- $5 million Other Funds

![EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY](chart2)
Total: $523 million

- $249 million Capital Outlay
- $136 million Other Outgo
- $50 million Academic Salaries
- $38 million Employee Benefits
- $31 million Classified Salaries
- $16 million Other Operating Expenses
- $3 million Supplies and Materials
PALOMAR COLLEGE FOUNDATION SUPPORTS STUDENT SUCCESS

The Foundation is funded by gifts from individuals and organizations, support groups such as the President’s Associates, and events that include Giving Tuesday (more than $43,300 in 2016), the annual gala and golf tournament. Here is a sampling of the Foundation’s work during the last year:

SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER STUDENT ASSISTANCE

In 2016-17, the Foundation awarded $481,000 in scholarships to 602 recipients, empowering many first-generation students to pursue a college education. The Foundation’s unique Textbook Assistance Program (TAP) benefitted hundreds of students through both direct aid for textbook purchases (575 students) and by providing reading copies for short-term use in the library, where donated textbooks were checked out more than 12,500 times.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

More than 425 people attended the 2016 gala, held at the Rancho Bernardo Inn. The auction, sponsorship support and table purchases provided $225,000. The annual President’s Invitational Golf Classic, held at Pauma Valley Country Club, raised an additional $280,000.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EDUCATION (EME)

In May, the Emergency Medical Education (EME) Department was awarded $27,152 from the Rancho Santa Fe Women’s Fund. The grant was made in support of the EME Department’s upgrade and expansion of its training mannequins and other simulation equipment used to train first responders who serve the San Diego region.

WOMEN’S FUND

The Women’s Fund grant concluded a six-grant run of funding success totaling $156,860. Donors included Neighborhood Reinvestment Program funds at the direction of county supervisors from two districts and foundation support from the Firehouse Subs Foundation, San Diego Gas & Electric, Wells Fargo, and Las Patronas.

The funding provided for not only urgently needed equipment, but also supported scholarships that are a crucial part of the EME program’s unique effort at Camp Pendleton to help train military personnel seeking a transition to work as EMTs or paramedics.
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Vice President, Student Services

Ron Perez
Vice President, Finance and Administrative Services
and
Acting Vice President, Human Resource Services

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