



Dear LAVC Foundation Friends,

Los Angeles Valley College remains committed to fulfilling its promise that every member of the communities we serve have access to quality instruction and effective resources they need to fulfill their academic and career journeys. The College offers excellent instructional programs and an amazing collection of support programs. As a result of focused efforts and strong partnerships with Los Angeles Unified School District and Burbank Unified School District, our recovery from the pandemic has been robust, increasing from 14,937 students in Fall 2021 to 19,927 students in Fall 2025. Similarly, our degree and certificate awards have grown from 4,022 in 2021/22 to 6,467 in 2024/25. This success would not have been possible without the support of the LAVC Foundation and the donors who give generously to its mission of making higher education attainable creating hope and opportunity.

We are grateful that the Foundation enjoyed another year of growth, ending its fiscal year with assets totaling more than \$11 million. These assets will help sustain the college's growth providing scholarships directly to students and program support ensuring our students receive the best education possible in the coming years. As the college continues to expand, opening new opportunities for our dual enrollment high school students and non-credit students focused on skill development, we are grateful for those who remain committed to ensuring that Valley achieves its goals of increasing not only access but completion for all who enroll at the college.

Our thanks and appreciation are with all of the College supporters for their inspirational leadership, generosity and drive creating even greater hope and opportunity.



Sincerely,
Dr. Barry Gribbons



**Dr. Barry
Gribbons**

President
Los Angeles
Valley College

Dear Friends,

Last year was one of significant growth for the LAVC Foundation.

As the college celebrated its 75th anniversary, the Foundation launched an exciting media campaign profiling notable LAVC alumni and added members to the Board of Directors and various volunteer committees. The establishment of the weekly Farmer's Market allowed for us to support employee appreciation events for the college's tireless staff as well as implement a Microgrants program that benefits each and every department on campus.

In addition, we were able to provide tangible support to the college with the installation of a new obstacle course benefiting our POPP and kinesiology students, as well as support for the Athletic Hall of Fame.

As always, we are only as great as our donors, volunteers and stakeholders allow us to be. From all of us, we are grateful for your continued enthusiasm as we continue support the college throughout its milestone anniversaries. We're already thinking about the 80th in 2030!



Sincerely,
Andrea Schmitt



Andrea Schmitt

Director of
LAVC Foundation

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS 2024-2025

I want to personally thank our donors and board members. The Los Angeles Valley College Foundation is incredibly important to our community. It provides access to education, opportunity, and hope. Your support helps LAVC students and families pursue their education, which continues to make a lasting impact in our diverse community. LAVC is more than a campus; it's an economic engine for the San Fernando Valley. It prepares countless professionals, teachers, small business owners, first responders, and nurses who keep our region strong. Your generosity to the LAVC Foundation builds futures and continues to make higher education attainable for all."

Tony Quiroga,
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LAVC FOUNDATION TEAM

Los Angeles Valley College Foundation staff, pictured left to right: Development Assistant Diana Di Battista, Communications Assistant (FWS) Ani Latoyan, Director Andrea Schmitt, Development Officer Ronya Waters.

EDUCATION IS OUR PATH

2024-2025 ROADMAP



LAVC CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY

September

LAVC kicked off its 75th anniversary on Opening Day, as the college officially welcomed faculty and classified staff for the fall term.

October

COMMEMORATION OF PROFESSOR TRACY BACHMAN

A plaque commemorating former LAVC English Professor Tracy Joelle Bachman was unveiled in the Rainbow Pride Center in her memory.



UCLA HEALTH PARTNERSHIP

December

LAVC deepened its commitment to student wellness through a new partnership with UCLA Health supporting Athletics, Nursing and Respiratory Therapy Programs.



January

FIRES SUPPORT FOR LAVC COMMUNITY

When Los Angeles suffered two major fires, the Foundation responded with care and compassion by providing emergency stipends to LAVC faculty and staff who were affected.



Left to Right: Nathan Vincent, CEO/Managing Consultant, EQL Consulting LLC, LA Community College Board of Trustees President Dr. Kelsey Iino; Rosalinda Rivas, Apprenticeship Director, Moreno Valley College; Congresswoman Luz Rivas; LAVC President Dr. Barry Gribbons; and California Community Colleges Senior Advisor Don Daves-Rougeaux.

CALIFORNIA AI CYBERSECURITY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION SUMMIT

February

LAVC hosted its second annual California AI-Cybersecurity Workforce Development and Education Summit, bringing together industry professionals, educators, and students to explore emerging technologies and workforce opportunities.



EDUCATION IS OUR PATH

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OBSTACLE COURSE DEMONSTRATION *April*

LAVC Police Orientation and Preparedness Program (POPP) students demonstrated the college's new obstacle course, designed to build the endurance, coordination, and speed required for real-world law enforcement scenarios.

April PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE LUNCHEON

In April, the LAVC Foundation hosted its annual President's Circle Luncheon, welcoming community leaders, elected officials, board members, and student speakers to celebrate the impact of the President's Circle, which provides unrestricted support to the Foundation.



California Assemblywoman Celeste Rodriguez and LA Councilmember Adrin Nazarian pose with LAVC President Dr. Barry Gribbons.



SCHOLARSHIP CELEBRATION *May*

In May, the Foundation honored scholarship recipients and donors during its annual Scholarship Celebration. The Foundation provided 217 students \$136,000 in scholarship awards.

June HALL OF FAME DINNER

The year concluded in June with the Hall of Fame Dinner, which inducted Ralph Caldwell (Basketball Coach and Athletic Director, 1956-1967), Brick Durley (athletic administrator, 1988-2008), Jason Falitz (All-American water polo player from 2005-2006 and current UCLA Coach), Bill Hayhoe (five-year player with the Green Bay Packers, 1964), Rebecca Islas (two-time all-conference basketball player 2016-2018), Maria "Angelica" Arcila (Women's Equipment Manager) and the 2018 LAVC men's water polo team to the Hall of Fame.



FACULTY VOICES



Professor Chad Sustin
Media Art Department

“It wasn’t the fifty, sixty hours I was putting in on productions. It was the three, four, five hours a week I was spending **teaching. That’s all I was really thinking about.**”

“Our colleagues support each other like family. **Valley isn’t just a college. It’s a community where people care deeply.**”



Debra Erickson
Community Services



Professor Rebecca Stein
Anthropology Department

“**Every human is a human being who deserves empathy.** You may not agree, but you can always ask why something makes sense to others.”

“At LAVC, I could actually change lives. **Our students come here with challenges and hope that they go far beyond the classroom. Seeing them grow is the real reward.**”



Professor Joshua Miller
Communication Studies Department

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

“Although I’m blessed with a home, a loving family, and food, paying for college has always been hard. My parents both received pay cuts. I chose a community college to further my education, fearing that attending a four-year university would put me in debt. Your scholarship has helped me tremendously.”

Bernard Osher Foundation Scholarship Recipient

“Balancing my academic journey while raising three wonderful children has been both challenging and deeply rewarding, and this scholarship plays a vital role in helping me achieve my goals.”

LAVC Foundation Scholarship Recipient



“I have been stressed with paying my tuition before the summer semester so that I could enroll in my classes for the summer. The funds will only be going towards tuition.”

Sharon J. Udkoff Scholarship in Business Recipient

“This scholarship is not only a great encouragement but also a vital resource that helps ease the financial challenges of being a full-time student. It’s a meaningful reminder that my efforts are recognized and supported by those who care about students’ futures.”

George Hale Memorial Scholarship Recipient

ALUMNI STORIES

Cinema/Media Arts Launchpad

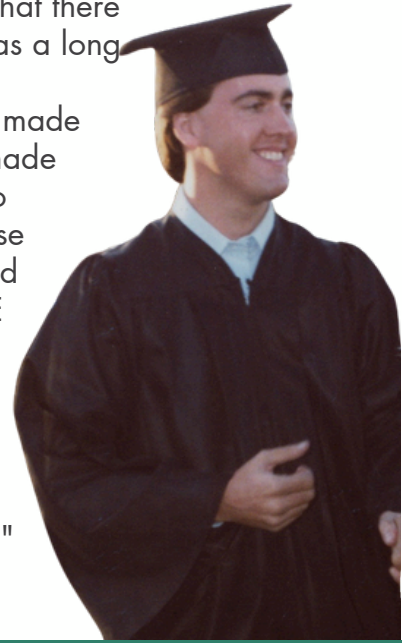
"You get a lot more freedom at Valley, you get to be creative. You're not competing with as many people to finish your project. It was such a great experience to be there."



SARAH BACH - POST PRODUCTION COORDINATOR
DAVID PACHECO - VFX COORDINATOR

Welding to Engineering

"I started with introductory courses and by the time I graduated with my AA, I had finished all that there was to offer at LAVC. It was a long and hard journey, but the instructors and classmates made all the difference. I even made the Dean's list. I applied to many universities and chose to go to UCSD. I graduated there in 1989 with a BSEE (Electrical Engineering). I was the first person in my family to ever get a university degree. 30+ years later working in the field I finally retired."



GEORGE BIELITZ
CLASS OF '84

Student Activist to LAPD

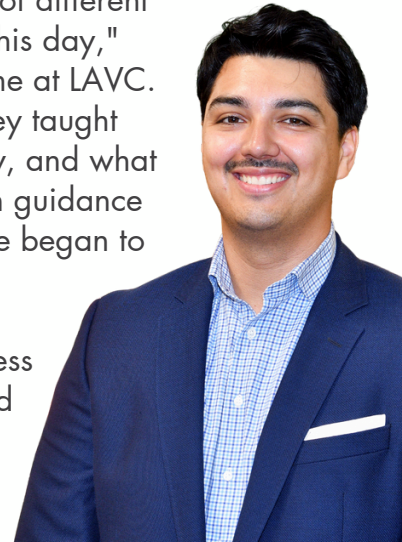
At LAVC, Graham became active in the Associated Student Union and helped organize a sit-in protesting class cuts, discovering his voice as an advocate for students. Under the mentorship of campus police officer Larry Mandersheid, he gained a deeper understanding of community-centered policing and the role of law enforcement as problem solvers. That foundation shaped his future.



DONALD GRAHAM
DEPUTY CHIEF, TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU

Finding Direction to Leading with Purpose

Before he became district manager of seven Vallarta Supermarkets in Southern California, Gonzalez made a three-year stop at Los Angeles Valley College where he stepped into adulthood. "It instilled a lot of different qualities that I still carry to this day," said Gonzalez about his time at LAVC. More than academics, Valley taught him discipline, responsibility, and what adulthood truly meant. With guidance from mentors and faculty, he began to see his family's business in a new light. Gonzalez switched his major to Business Management and committed himself to his studies at LA Valley College.



ENRIQUE ALEJANDRO
GONZALEZ, III - VALLARTA SUPERMARKETS

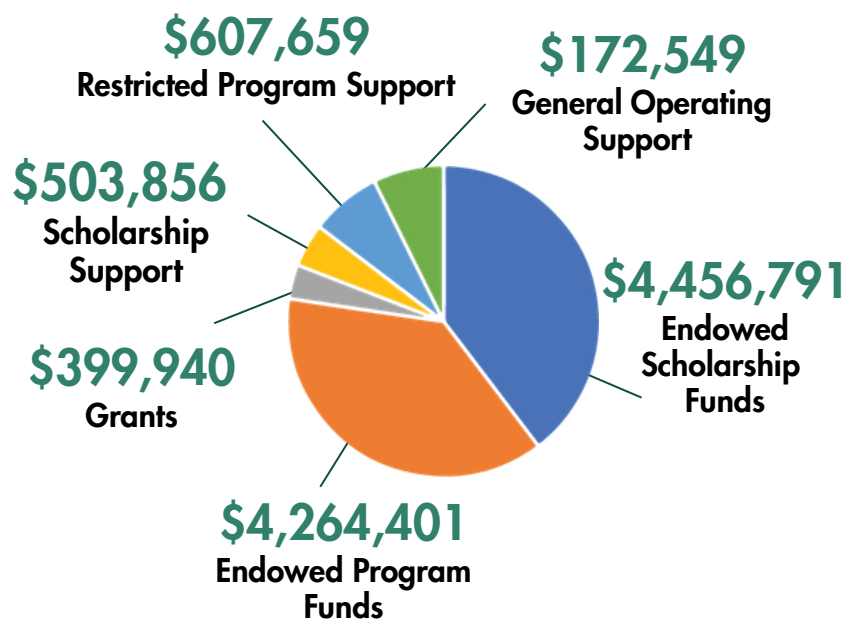


SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED 2025

217 opportunities with **\$136,000** in scholarships were awarded with an additional **\$30,000** in student stipends



SoCal Gas Panelists Moderator and SoCalGas Public Affairs Manager - Marisol Espinoza, Workforce Training Technical/Food Industry - Allison Dourigan, Supply Chain Management/Diversity Business Enterprising - Anne Muchiri, Engineering - Erika Esparza, Field Supervisor for Customer Service, Glendale Area - Matthew Garcia, and Field Operations - Wu "John" Cu and scholarship winner



**LOS ANGELES VALLEY
COLLEGE FOUNDATION
AS OF MARCH 31, 2025
\$10,405,196**



LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

(A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation)

Statement of financial position

June 30, 2025

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,840,889
Mortgage note receivable	\$1,165
Investments at fair value	\$9,603,903
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11,445,957

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$68,153
Funds held for others	\$590,513
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$658,666

NET ASSETS

Without donor restrictions	\$443,105
Without donor restrictions - board designated reserves	\$446,117
With donor restrictions	\$9,094,795
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$9,898,069

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

\$11,445,957

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2024-2025

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