# MEASURE 15: Community and Resource Empowerment "CARE"

## **QUESTION**

Shall a Community and Resource Empowerment ("CARE") Fee of \$5.00 per student, per quarter be assessed to all undergraduates of UCSC, effective Fall 2005, to fund existing and future K-12 Student-Initiated Outreach programs, the American Indian Resource Center, African American Resource and Cultural Center, Asian American/Pacific Islander Resource Center, Chicano Latino Resource Center, the Lionel Cantú Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Intersex Resource Center, and the Women's Center?

### **SUMMARY POINTS**

- New undergraduate compulsory fee of \$5.00 per student, per quarter.
- Fee begins Fall Quarter 2005 and is a permanent fee with no ending date.
- Fee will be assessed to all UCSC undergraduates enrolled in the fall, winter, and spring quarters and to undergraduates enrolled in state-funded summer quarter.
- Student Fees will generate approximately \$209,925 in 2005-2006, the first year it is in effect, with no return to Financial Aid.
- Fee is sponsored for placement on the ballot by a vote of the Student Union Assembly (SUA).

#### **BALLOT STATEMENT**

Revenue generated from the \$5.00 CARE student fee will be split two ways; providing funding to six designated Resource Centers\* and funding to existing and future K-12 Student-Initiated Outreach programs.

A breakdown of the CARE fee is as follows:

- \$1.00 will provide a programming fund for existing and future K-12 Student-Initiated Outreach programs. This will be matched by a \$2.00 per (undergraduate) student, per quarter funding commitment from the Chancellor for two years (2005-06 and 2006-07), with the possibility of extension following a review of how the funds were spent and the measurable success of the outreach programs.
- \$4.00 per quarter will go to six Resource Centers\*
- \$3.00 will go directly to the six designated Resource Centers to be used at their own discretion.
- \$1.00 will provide a programming and operating fund, which can be applied for by the six designated resource centers.

The \$1.00 per student, per quarter funds generated by Measure 15, along with the funds from the Chancellor, will be used to provide funding for existing and future K-12 Student Initiated Outreach programs to be allocated by the Engaging Education Student-Initiated Outreach Committee. This Committee will prepare annual reports for the Chancellor's review (format to be mutually agreed upon) that provide information about how the funds were spent and how the success of the outreach programs was measured.

The remaining \$4.00 will go to the six designated Resource Centers and be split two ways. \$3.00 per student, per quarter of this money will be allocated directly to the resource centers to be used at their own discretion. The remaining \$1.00 per student, per quarter will provide funding to the SUA, to be administered by a newly established Resource Center Programming and Operating Fund Council. The Resource Center Programming and Operating Fund Council will function as a task force of the SUA. This Resource Center Programming and Operating Fund Council shall have sole decision-making power over financial allocation, as long as those decisions are consistent with SUA constitution, university policy and the law.

Only the six designated Resource Centers may apply for programming and operating funds through the Resource Center Programming and Operating Fund Council. At the end of each year, any remaining programming and operating funding may be distributed or saved as carry-forward funds and used at the discretion of the Council. The six designated Resource Centers may apply for the use of the carry-forward funds for programming and operating. The Council must approve these allocations.

The remaining \$1.00 per student, per quarter will go to the Resource Center Programming and Operating Fund.

### Council will be comprised of:

- e. One representative from SUA Student Committee on Committees
- f. The SUA Commissioner of Diversity;
- g. One student representative from each of the six designated Resource Centers.

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- American Indian Resource Center
- African American Resource and Cultural Center
- Asian American/Pacific Islander Resource Center
- Chicano Latino Resource Center
- Lionel Cantú Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Intersex Resource Center

• Women's Center