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Dear LACCD Colleagues,

I hope this message finds you and your families safe and healthy. As we complete seven months of navigating this global pandemic, together we have done some amazing work to keep our people and campuses safe, and to deliver on our mission to serve our communities through education.

I am writing to you to ask for your support for one of our most vulnerable student populations—our undocumented students who are enrolled at our nine colleges. LACCD enrolls more undocumented students than the two other California public university systems combined and perhaps more than any other higher education system in the country. Our undocumented students come from all racial and linguistic backgrounds, walks of life and share an equal, fierce ambition to participate as full citizens in our nation’s democratic promise of inclusion and opportunity.

Even in these uncertain times, we have much to be thankful for. Imagine for a moment that your immigration status is uncertain or that you’re worried about that late-night knock on the door. Perhaps you are struggling with food and shelter and are having to make some pretty tough choices about completing your higher education or supporting your loved ones. That’s what thousands of our undocumented/DACA/Dreamer students face every single day. And the COVID-19 pandemic has only made it worse.

Here’s how you can help. We’re asking that you consider a tax-deductible contribution today to the Undocumented Students Success Fund by the Foundation for the Los Angeles Community Colleges in any amount—whether it’s a one-time donation or a regular monthly contribution.

Our goal is to raise $50,000 by the end of the year and we’re counting on the empathy and generosity of our LACCD Family to make it happen. We need your help to reach this goal. Our undocumented students need your help.

Donate today—make it count during the California Community College system’s “Undocumented Student Action Week” of October 19-23. As an added incentive, the Southern California Gas Company will match the first $12,500 in donations made.
For more information, contact Michael Fuller, the District Foundation’s Executive Director, at FULLERMP@EMAIL.LACCD.EDU, or click on the link below to get your donation in today.

Thank you for your consideration and support,

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Undocumented Students Success Fund Fundraising Campaign for Foundation for the Los Angeles Community Colleges.

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