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Message from the President

Members of the Campus Community:

I am pleased to present the California State University, Fresno Budget Book for the 2025-26 fiscal year. The tables and charts contained in this budget document provide summary data on the allocation of the General Fund budget for fiscal year 2025-26, as well as final budget and expenditure data for fiscal year 2024-25 for comparative purposes. This document also includes similar summary budget and expenditure data for Continuing Education, Health Center, Lottery, and Parking funds, as well as the budgets for University Auxiliaries.

The Budget Act of 2025 includes a \$143.8 million reduction in the base General Fund appropriation for the California State University (CSU). The budget includes increases of \$0.3 million for drug-testing devices at universities, \$1.3 million for the Center for California Studies Capital Fellows Program, and \$0.2 million for the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California. For our campus, Fresno State received a General Fund decrease of (\$6,954,000) in base appropriation and an Expenditure and Revenue adjustment of \$3,936,000 for FY2025-26. In addition, the campus received a revision to the FY2024-25 General Fund Allocation of (\$2,376,000).

California State University, Fresno, remains a high-quality educational institution, and together we have achieved several significant milestones. Fresno State welcomed more than 6,600 new undergraduate students this fall and celebrated more than 6,000 graduates in May. On October 20, 2025, Fresno State launched its comprehensive philanthropic campaign, "Lead with Pride." A people-powered movement aimed at transforming lives through education, discovery, and community partnership. The Campaign priorities will continue to advance student access and success, student experiences, athletics, and research.

Fresno State contributes billions of dollars to the state's economy and tax revenue. As part of the Central Valley, Fresno State is driving regional economic vitality, strengthening California's key industries, and preparing a skilled workforce that generates substantial economic impact across the area, supporting 14,000 jobs and \$1.5 billion in industry activity. For the 16th consecutive year and for the first time, Fresno State contributed over 1.6 million hours of service to the community, valued at an estimated \$66.5 million in economic impact.

Fresno State was designated an Opportunity College and University and ranked the No. 2 university among all public and private schools nationwide in Washington Monthly's new ranking of Best Colleges for Tuition and Tax Dollars.

These accomplishments would not have been possible without outstanding people with a strong commitment to excellence. Thank you to the entire campus community for their strong commitment to excellence.

Sincerely,


Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval, Ph.D.
President