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2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT

2017 Annual Report Message from the College Superintendent/President & Foundation Board President

The world today is changing at such a frenetic pace that people often ask “What is our future going to be like?” If Mt. San Jacinto College students are any indication, we have good news: It’s going to be great.

During our 2017 commencement, we asked our graduates “How will you change the world?” Their responses were touching and powerful. Here are a few samples:

“By showing my kids that education is important.”

“Making the world a greener place.”

“Teach everyone.”

“Be the best nurse I can be.”

“Improve mental health.”

“Give back to the community.”

These and the other hundreds of answers served as good reminders about the important roles that Mt. San Jacinto College and the MSJC Foundation play in improving the quality of life in our communities. During 2016-17, the accomplishments of individual students and employees, the sound decisions made by our Board of Trustees, and our accomplishments as an institution provide a snapshot of MSJC’s commitment to being a part of the positive change we want to see in the world around us.

Our ongoing fiscal stability is a significant accomplishment. In this annual report, you will read about the college district’s historic \$224 million budget approved by the Board of Trustees for 2016-17. You will also find out about the progress of projects funded by the Measure AA facilities bond, achievements by individuals and the college, events and much more.

This report also shows the importance of donor support to the MSJC Foundation so that students can achieve their goals. Scholarships help students pay for textbooks or other college-related expenses. Mini-grants help clubs, departments and programs so they can enhance learning and make the student experience more fulfilling. These efforts are only possible with the generous contributions from donors.

On a somber note, it is important for us to remember one of our longtime supporters, Gwendolyn Schlange, who passed away in 2016. Community members joined us on the San Jacinto Campus to honor Ms. Schlange’s memory by renaming our child care and development center after her. With a career in education that spanned more than 40 years and her 20-year tenure on our Board of Trustees, Ms. Schlange set the example of what it means to give back to the community. She often urged people to “pay it forward.”

Ms. Schlange’s brand of leadership, the type that has become a culture at

MSJC, is the reason our students respond the way they do. Another graduate answered the question “How will you change the world” with “By being an example for the next generation.” It’s as if Ms. Schlange whispered in that student’s ear.

We are honored to be a part of a community college that is making such a positive impact on our students’ lives and helping them to succeed here and into the future.

We thank you for your ongoing support and assure you that we will continue to live up to our vision statement: Transforming Learners. Transforming Communities. Transforming Lives.



Roger Schultz, Ph.D.
Superintendent/President
Mt. San Jacinto College



Sharon Domenigoni
Foundation President
Mt. San Jacinto College

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College Achievements



Exploring STEM Careers



Nearly 300 eighth-grade girls from Banning and Beaumont attended the 17th annual American Association of University Women's (AAUW) STEM Conference at MSJC's San Jacinto Campus in January 2017. They learned about careers in the STEM fields, or science, technology, engineering and mathematics, from leaders in the private and public sectors.

Taylor Sidney (left) and Gracelynn Moua (right), Beaumont residents and eighth-grade students at Mountain View Middle school, learn about CPR during the Jan. 12 STEM Conference at Mt. San Jacinto College.

Faces of MSJC



Becky Elam

An MSJC employee from 1990-2007 and 2009-2016, Mrs. Elam retired as Vice President of Business Services in 2016. Her husband, **Darrell Elam**, is an MSJC alumnus and they are parents of MSJC alumni.



The Uhrig Family

John Uhrig (Ph.D) began studying biology at MSJC at the age of 14. After only one year, he received his associate degree in 2005. His mother Sandi earned her associate degree that same year. Sandi received a second associate degree in 2008. Chelsea, John's sister, received two associate degrees from MSJC in 2012. She is an emergency veterinary technician.



Michael Carrier

Completed six associate degrees at MSJC, received scholarships and

was involved with History Club, Amnesty International Club, Political Science Club, Black Student Union, Honors Enrichment Program Mentor and more.



Hope Graham

A 2016 MSJC alumna, Hope was active in student clubs and the honors

program. A business administration major, she transferred to UC Irvine to complete her bachelor's degree.



Raul Garcia-Menchaca

The first in his family to graduate from college, Raul is preparing for a

future as a political science major at a four-year university.

Are You an MSJC Graduate?

Are you an MSJC alumnus or alumna? If so, become one of The Faces of MSJC. The campaign features faculty and current and former MSJC students and stories about their experiences at MSJC. You can view the campaign online and visit one of our campuses to see the posters in the libraries, enrollment centers and more. Our hope is that success stories like yours will inspire future and current MSJC students to continue to reach for their goals.

Visit The Faces of MSJC at www.msjc.edu/faces, or call 951-487-3061 to find out more.



The Ultimate Art Culmination

Artists, poets, musicians, and hands-on activities were featured at the Mt. San Jacinto College **Annual Arts Festival** in November 2016. Open to the public, the event at the Menifee Valley Campus hosted visitors who enjoyed and participated in a wide variety of **performing and visual arts**.

Visitors also received assistance to apply for financial aid, register for classes and more.

Festivities culminated with Performance Crossroads, a jazz and theater performance featuring the music of Charles Mingus. Author and actor Toni Ann Johnson enacted scenes from her novel “Remedy for a Broken Angel.” **Dr. Jeremy Brown**, MSJC’s dean of instruction and former chair of the music department, led the jazz band.



Sold Out Concert!

The Mt. San Jacinto College Music Department and Eagle Events proudly presented a concert featuring legendary jazz musician and 10-time Grammy Award Winner, Arturo Sandoval. Mr. Sandoval was accompanied by the MSJC Student Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Mike Rocha. This event was free and open to the public.

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Simply the Best

MSJC receives a variety of recognition from the national to the local level. In 2016-2017, MSJC was honored that readers of two regional publications voted it the best college in the region.

MSJC was named the #1 college for the eighth year in a row in The Press-Enterprise's Best of the Inland Empire Awards. MSJC ranks above all other colleges and universities in Riverside and San Bernardino counties. Readers began voting for MSJC as the number one college in the Inland Empire Award in 2009.

For the first time, readers of the Inland Empire Magazine also voted MSJC as the number one college.

Strong Workforce Star

The Career & Technical Education department at MSJC received recognition for its General Engineering Technology and Advanced Manufacturing and Advanced Technology programs. The California Community College Chancellor's Office *Doing What Matters* initiative recognized that students participating in these two MSJC programs saw a 101% wage gain.

The CTE department was also recognized for its excellent online Real Estate program by Best Colleges.com



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Doing What MATTERS™
FOR JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

Career Expos & Job Fairs

MSJC's Business Expos & Career/Job Fairs attracted hundreds of employers and hundreds of students and community members. MSJC hosts and coordinates the events and partners with organizations like the Menifee Valley Chamber and other groups to ensure broad community attendance.



Basketball Showdown

MSJC athletes and staff teamed with San Jacinto High School to offer the Basketball Showdown for special needs students, ages 18-22, in the high school's Community Based Instruction program. The event provided the special education students with hands-on training and is part of the ongoing collaboration between the two institutions.



Honoring a Community Educator

MSJC renamed its child development center on the San Jacinto Campus after the late **Gwendolyn Schlange**, a long-time MSJC trustee, Hemet educator and member of the MSJC Foundation.

Ms. Schlange passed away on Nov. 21, 2016. The college held a renaming ceremony on April 13, 2017.

Ms. Schlange served the Hemet/San Jacinto Valley for decades. She was a teacher at Little Lake Elementary School in Hemet for 40 years. She dedicated herself for more than 20 years as a trustee on the MSJC Board of Trustees.

As a young woman, Ms. Schlange received a full scholarship to Whittier College and went on to be a Fulbright scholar. During “Tea With Gwen,” an MSJC event in 2014 to honor her service, she told guests how much she loved teaching

and how fortunate she felt for all of the opportunities she received.

“You have a responsibility to pay it forward,” Schlange said.

During her tenure on the board, she was thrilled to read Dr. Seuss books to the children in the centers on March 2, the birthdate Ms. Schlange shared with the late children’s author.

Schlange retired from the MSJC board in 2014 as her term ended. Because of her ongoing commitment to education, she then became an honorary director on the MSJC Foundation Board of Directors, where she focused on raising funds to support student scholarships.

For more information, contact the MSJC Foundation at **951-487-3171** or visit **www.msjc.edu/foundation**.

Bottom Left: *The ceremony to rename the child care center after Gwendolyn Schlange attracted community members, educators, elected officials and MSJC faculty, classified staff, administrators, retired personnel and current and former Board of Trustee members.*

Bottom Right: *Gwendolyn Schlange reads to children at the MSJC child development center.*



Raising Awareness, Breaking the Silence

MSJC recognizes Denim Day and the Clothesline Project, annual events designed to raise awareness of rape and sexual assault. Participants wear jeans and create messages on T-shirts, which are displayed in the Learning Resource Centers or elsewhere on campus, to help BREAK THE SILENCE.



Stronger Together

Each year, MSJC holds the Employee Appreciation Day. Under the 2017 theme “Stronger Together,” teams from Classified, Faculty and Administration battled it out in softball games before heading for a luncheon to honor employees with recognition ranging from milestone years of service to the Employee of the Year to retirement. Faculty won against Classified/Administrators during this year’s softball game.

Full-Time Faculty of the Year, MVC/TEC/THEC
Janice Levasseur

Full-Time Faculty of the Year, SJC/SGP
Eileen Doktorski

Associate Faculty of the Year, MVC/TEC/THEC
Renee Orton

Associate Faculty of the Year, SJC/SGP
David Smith

Classified Professional of the Year, MVC/TEC/THEC
Cheryl Smith

Classified Professional of the Year, SJC/SGP
Shannon Kovich

Colleague of the Year
Aaron Stafford

Administrator of the Year
Jeannine Stokes



The Great Shakeout



District-wide, students, faculty and staff participated in the annual California Great Shakeout Drill at Mt. San Jacinto College's five locations. The MSJC Public Information/Marketing Office, Risk Management and Campus Safety teams coordinated the emergency communications that were sent across the district.

Gen Z Explores Healthcare Careers

MSJC hosted more than 100 high school students for a Health Occupation Discovery Camp at the Menifee Valley Campus on Jan. 12 and 13, 2017.

The purpose of this two-day Discovery Camp was to inspire the next generation of health professionals through hands-on healthcare training with certified nursing assistants, emergency medical technicians, registered nurses, and diagnostic medical sonographers.

This annual event also provided underserved communities with more access to education in the healthcare field. Students engaged with MSJC healthcare students, obtained dual enrollment information and enjoyed lunch.

The event was organized by a partnership between MSJC and the Inland Health Professions Coalition at Reach Out.



Hope & Justice

“Continuing The Dream: The Struggle for Social Justice” was the program title and theme for the 11th annual Martin Luther King Unity Breakfast event at the San Jacinto Campus. This event included dance, music performances, speaker presentations, an art contest and breakfast.

MSJC Political Science Professor **Willie Hamilton** coordinated and hosted this event with the MSJC Diversity Committee. MSJC student **Enrique Trejo** won first place in the art contest for his mirror face sculpture. Trejo said his art tells stories of the lives of people facing different social issues.

Above: MSJC student **Enrique Trejo** won first place in the MLK Unity Breakfast awards.

Middle: Trejo's artwork is displayed at the MLK Unity Breakfast.

Bottom: Tropicaleiza and Afro-Samba Mama Bateria African Drummers performing during the MSJC MLK Unity Breakfast.



State of the College

Community members, state and local leaders and business members joined MSJC for a State of the College address at Wilson Creek Winery in Temecula. Guests heard about the progress of Measure AA facilities bond projects, academic programs, student successes, MSJC Foundation activities and future plans during the event, which was hosted by the MSJC Foundation. They also visited tables that showcased some of MSJC's programs, including a 3D printer used in the STEM program.



Trig-Stardom at MSJC



Nearly 100 high school students and their teachers attended the annual Trig-Star event at MSJC in April 2017 to learn about land surveying and to compete in math.

Trig-Star is a collaboration with the Riverside/San Bernardino Chapter of California Land Surveyors Association to introduce secondary school students to the profession of surveying and offers a math competition that provides cash awards.

Winners in 2017 were:



First Place: Xiye (Simon) Hu, Martin Luther King High School in Riverside, \$200, pictured with surveyors **Brian Hess** (left) and **John Duquette** (right).

Second Place: Anthony Miranda, Jurupa Hills High School in Fontana, \$100, pictured with surveyors **Brian Hess** (left) and **John Duquette** (right).

Going Mobile to Meet Veterans

The Disabled American Veterans Mobile Service Office rolled onto the Menifee Valley Campus to provide free services of counseling, assisting and educating students, local community veterans and their families about the benefits and services available to them in thanks for their service.



Disabled American Veterans

Student Successes



Top Honors



Four MSJC students were selected for the All-California Academic Team and were honored in Sacramento in March.

Students are recognized for their academic and intellectual excellence, leadership abilities and community service. Phi Theta Kappa is the international honors society for two-year colleges.

Two of the students received Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Scholarships. **Michael Carrier** received a \$1,250 Silver Scholars scholarship, given to students that ranked 51 to 100 in the nationwide scholarship selection. **Laura Wilson** received a \$1,000 Bronze Scholars scholarship, awarded to those students that ranked 101 to 150 in the nationwide scholarship selection. These two students rank among the top 150 community college students nationwide.

Digital Distinction

The Digital Media Professional Production class, taught by instructor **Alan Marsala**, produced the MSJC Mobile App video to encourage students to download the new mobile application. The video won Best Digital Marketing Video at Digifest, a three-day event in Temecula that showcases student successes in the community. Digifest allows entries from students, amateurs and professionals in different age categories from 10 to 25 and older in film/video; digital media; games; and music.

Right: MSJC student **Jalen Lee** accepts the Digifest award for Best Digital Marketing Video, which was produced by the Digital Media Professional Production class.



Cooke Scholars Reunion

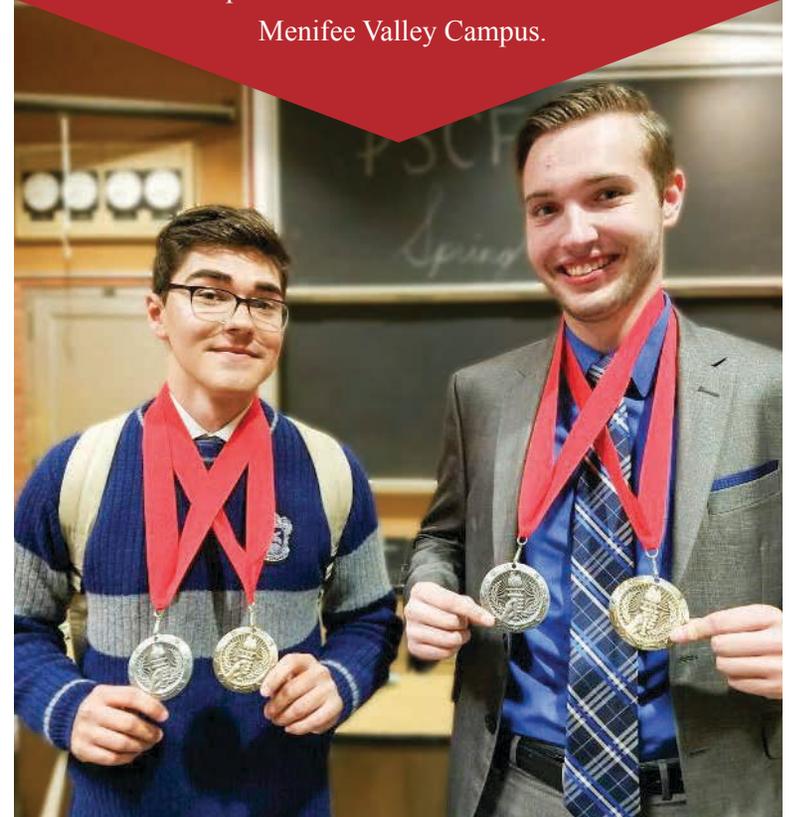


Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship recipients attended the annual Jack Kent Cooke Scholars weekend in July 2016. MSJC alumni attended, **Samuel Fall** (2013 JKCS recipient, not pictured), **Ursula Simonoski** (2015 JKCS recipient, left) and **Aaron Hansen** (2014 JKCS recipient, right).

Speaking of Success

MSJC's debate team won six medals during the Pacific Southwest Collegiate Forensics Association Spring Championships at Cal State Long Beach. Team members **Cole Rauch** and **Josh Slama** placed second in the championships. **Destiny Caperon** placed second in novice persuasive speaking and **Addison Martin** was a finalist in novice impromptu speaking.

Department of Communication Assistant Professor **Ron Newman** serves as the Director of Forensics and the team is coached by **Whitney Shaw** at the San Jacinto Campus and **Renee Orton** at the Menifee Valley Campus.





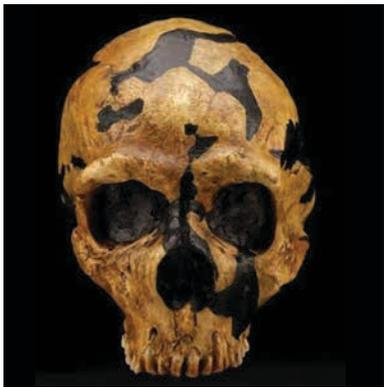
An Eagle Lifts Off

MSJC student Eric Magallan left for NASA in January 2017 after being selected for an internship program with NASA on holographic enhancement technology. Magallan plans to earn a degree in computer science.



Representing Students

Makeez Manely took the Oath of Office at the June 22, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting to serve as the student trustee for the 2017-2018 academic year.



Stepping Out of the Past

A Western Science Center exhibit was produced in collaboration with MSJC students and faculty. Stepping Out of the Past took visitors on a six-million year journey through human evolution.



Pinning Ceremony Honors Nurses

The MSJC School of Nursing held its annual pinning ceremony for nursing graduates on May 24, 2017. Forty-four were honored during the event on the San Jacinto Campus.



100% Employment-Ready



Nine students who made up the Mt. San Jacinto College Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) class of 2017 all passed their licensing exams before MSJC's graduation day on May 26, 2017. The accomplishment of 100 percent of students receiving Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (RDMS) licensing before graduation is a first for the DMS program. This licensing is important so that students are employable on or before graduation day and is a testament to the success and reputation of this accredited program and at MSJC.

Suicide Prevention Film Earns Award

MSJC student **AJ Dela Cruz**, of Murrieta received third place for a suicide prevention film. Dela Cruz won the Directing Change Award from the statewide Directing Change Program and Student Film Contest for the film titled "Timeless." The student received support for the project from Matt Leyden, MSJC's Career and Technical Education Counselor.

The awards program, held in May at the Fox Performing Arts Center in Riverside, is organized by Each Mind Matters, California's Mental Health Movement. The mission of the awards program is to promote suicide awareness and prevention. "Timeless," filmed and produced by Dela Cruz, won in the Youth and Young Adult Suicide Prevention category.



Athletics



Top 5 MSJC Athletic Stories of 2016-17

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team won the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference North Division Championship for the fourth year in a row. Point guard **Tre Nottingham** earned First Team All-State honors for the second year in a row.



Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team reached the CCCAA Southern California Regional Finals and finished with an overall record of 26-5. **Delacy Brown** earned 2nd Team All-State honors. 2016-17 marked the 11th straight season that the women's basketball team has won at least 21 games and reached the play-offs.

Men's Golf

The men's golf team reached the Southern California Regional play-offs for the second straight season. **Kieran Blundell** and **Richard Schweitzer** both qualified for the individual CCCAA State Championships. Schweitzer earned Pacific Coast Athletic Conference Player of the Year honors as he helped the Eagles to a 2nd place conference finish.



Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team won the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference championship. The conference title was the first in women's tennis for MSJC since 2010. The doubles team of **Stacey Klink** and **Scarlett Steele** won the PCAC tournament title and reached the round of 16 at the CCCAA State Championships.

Women's Volleyball & Soccer

The MSJC women's volleyball team qualified for the State play-offs for the first time in program history while the women's soccer team, making their fourth straight appearance in the CCCAA State play-offs, won a play-off match for the first time in their program's history. Three volleyball players including **Camryn Bootsma** and four soccer players led by **Stefania Navarrete** were named to All Pacific Coast Athletic Conference First Team.



Financials

Mt. San Jacinto College District

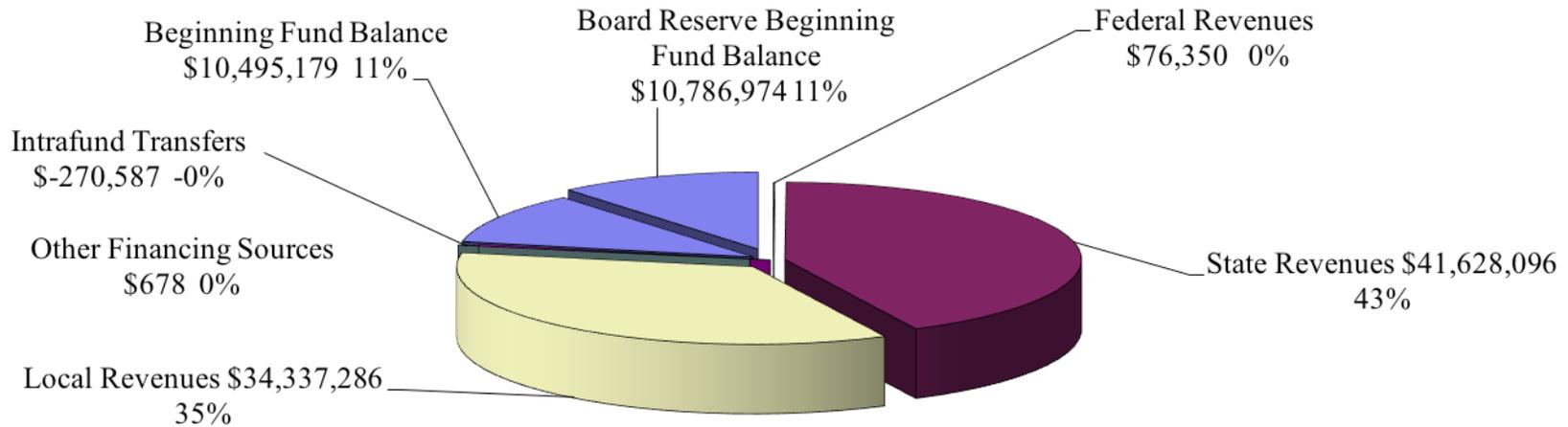
College District Mission Statement

Mt. San Jacinto College offers quality, accessible, equitable and innovative educational programs and services to students aspiring to achieve their academic, career and personal development goals. We provide students a safe environment in which to pursue basic skills, career and general education pathways. Our programs lead to transfer, associate degrees and certificates, which meet workforce development needs in our diverse communities. Our commitment to learning and achievement empowers students to enrich our communities and participate meaningfully in today's complex world.

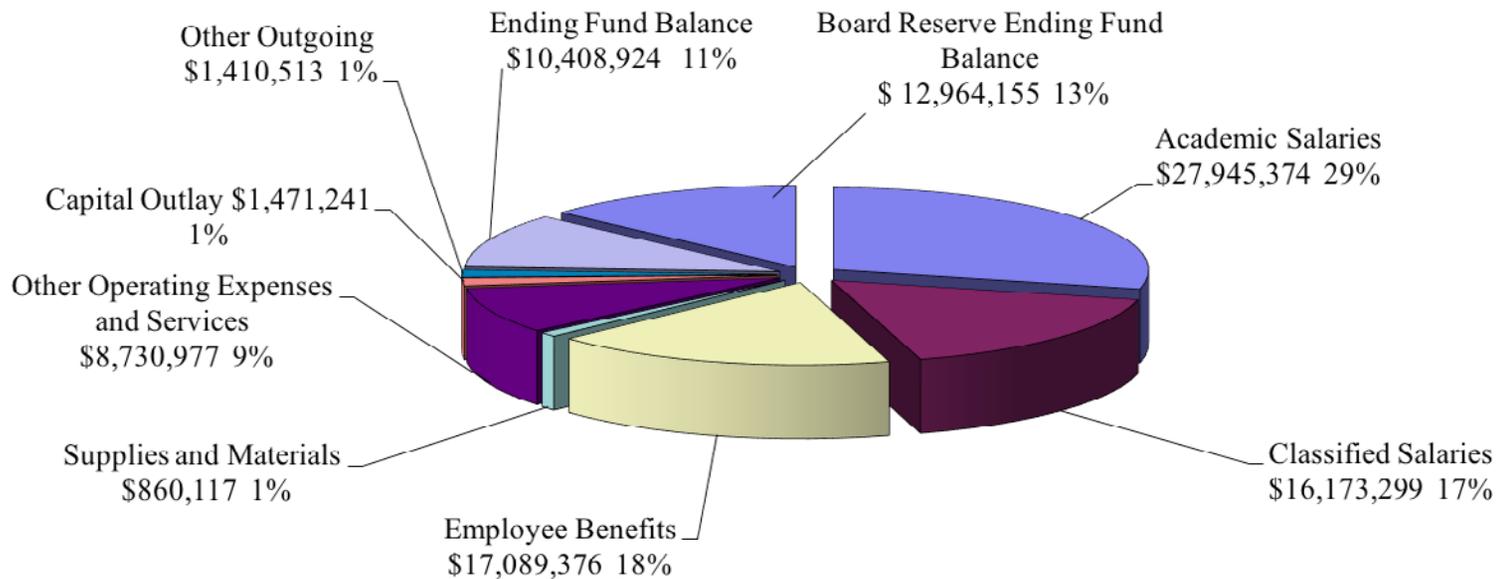


Mt. San Jacinto College District 2016-2017 Unaudited Actuals

General Fund Unrestricted Revenues & Beginning Fund Balance - \$97,053,976



General Fund Unrestricted Expenditures & Ending Fund Balance - \$97,053,976



MSJC Foundation

Foundation Mission Statement

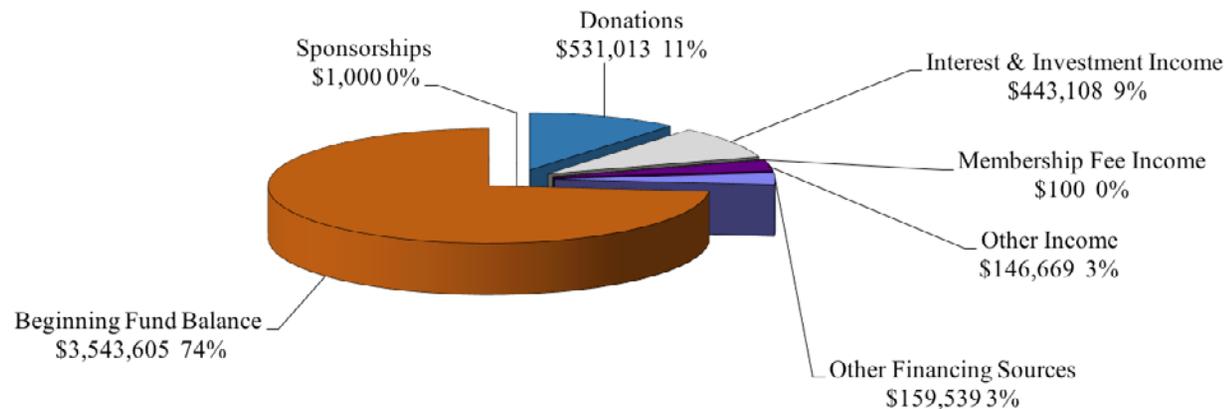
The mission of the Mt. San Jacinto College Foundation is to promote student success by enhancing the quality of higher education throughout the district by identifying and securing private support through community alliances.

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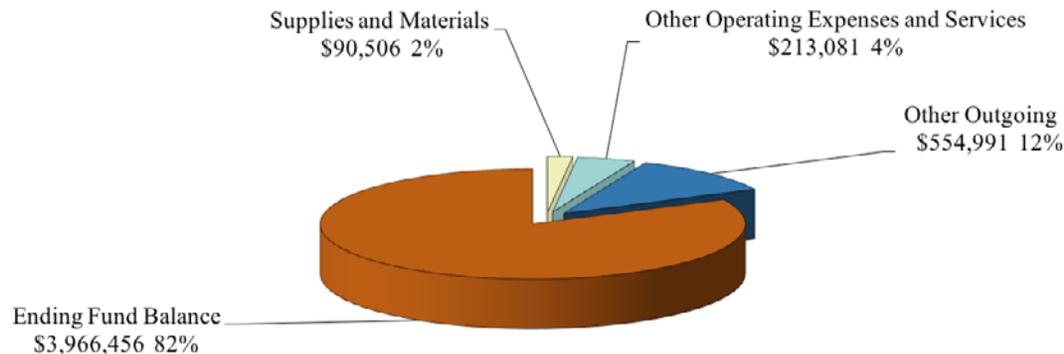


MSJC Foundation 2016-2017 Unaudited Actuals

Foundation Fund Revenues & Beginning Fund Balance - \$4,825,034



Foundation Fund Expenditures & Ending Fund Balance - \$4,825,034



Scholarship Recipients



Sherri Arballo, AAUW Hemet/San Jacinto Scholarship, Aspiring Art Instructor

This scholarship means “I don’t have to work three jobs to try to finish my degree. Having your journey validated...to have strangers...say that you are doing a good job and they want to help you along with your path was pretty emotional.”



Corbie Adams, MSJC Foundation and Philanthropic Educational Organization (PEO) Chapter VC scholarships, Major: Education

The scholarships “shows that all of my hard work and time I put into things is paying off and it motivates me to keep going and try to do as much as I can while I am here at the college. It’s a confidence booster that other people see something in me.”



Amilio Gonzales, Kiwanis Club of Hemet Scholarship, Major: Fire Technology

“Getting a scholarship like this really helps me towards my education and completing my goals.”

Student Life

Partnering for the Community



MSJC students, the Soboba Foundation and the MSJC Foundation partnered for a food and toy drive to help families during the holidays. Together they assembled holiday packages for about 50 MSJC students or families of employees with needs.



To know that we're helping families the way we are means a lot."

– MSJC student, **Michael Carrier**



Race On!

MSJC Outreach, Phi Theta Kappa students and employees joined the MSJC Eagles for the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in October of 2016 at the Lake Elsinore Diamond Stadium.



Lip Service

Ten Inter-Club Council (ICC) campus clubs and organizations competed for mini-grant funds during the MSJC Foundation Lip Sync Battle in October 2016. The Black Student Union won first place and \$750 in mini-grant funds.



Going Beyond the Cover

The MSJC Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) counselor **Lisa Yates** and the MSJC Diversity Committee hosted *Beyond The Cover... Living Books* in the Menifee Valley Campus Library. Students with disabilities shared their inspirational stories of overcoming adversity, serving as “Living Books” for guests to read.



Send Silence Packing

Send Silence Packing is a display of 1,000 backpacks with the stories of college students who have committed suicide. The annual event at MSJC is designed to ignite a much-needed dialogue on college campuses about suicide and prevention. Volunteers, counselors and community resources were available to students.

Wise Lecture



Tim Wise, author of *Dear White America* and *White Like Me*, is one of the most prominent anti-racist writers and educators in the United States. He spoke to students and employees about the history and problems of racism in the U.S.

Take Back the Night

Since the 1970s, Take Back the Night events have raised awareness about sexual violence with the goal of ending all forms of sexual violence. This was MSJC's first Take Back the Night event. About 40 people marched around the campus. There were also representatives from several local agencies who set up tables and distributed information.

Attendees heard speeches by survivors and organizers and walked around the San Jacinto Campus as part of a candlelight vigil. The event was sponsored by the MSJC Diversity Committee.



Measure AA

Athletics Renovations



Funds from the Measure AA facilities bond allowed the district to revamp its athletics facilities on the San Jacinto Campus. Construction on the \$9.4 million project began in early 2017. The project consists of four parts: baseball field, track and football field, locker rooms and multipurpose gymnasium, which will all have a new look in the 2017-18 academic year.



Solar Power

The MSJC Board of Trustees and members of the community gathered at the San Jacinto Campus for the Flip the Switch event in March 2017 to celebrate the completion of a solar panel project funded by Measure AA. The solar project started in November 2016 and finished in March 2017. The project, initially proposed to cost \$2.8 million, came in under budget at \$2.7 million. Other facts about the project:

- 1.1 megawatt
- Designed to save \$5.4 million in energy costs over 25 years.
- Comprised of 3,287 ground-mount tracker solar panels.
- Expected to produce 2.4 million kilowatt hours of energy a year.
- Expected to offset 1,136 metric tons of carbon dioxide, equivalent to removing 225 cars from the road.



Above: MSJC Board Chair *Tom Ashley* and trustees *Ann Motte*, *Dr. Sherrie Guerrero* and *Bill Zimmerman* prepare to flip the switch on the new solar field with Measure AA Citizens' Oversight Committee member *Sal Valdivia*, MSJC Superintendent/President *Roger Schultz* and *Brian Orlauski*, interim Vice President of Business Services.

Bond Oversight

The Measure AA Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee said goodbye to some founding members and said hello to new ones. Committee Chair **Bob Botts** and **Amy Campbell** stepped down after he moved out of the district and she joined MSJC as the director of Continuing Education & Adult Programs. Student member **Brenda Esparza** also stepped down after graduating from MSJC.

New members **Bryan Sylva**, **Andrew Masiel** and **Damitrius Morales** have filled those vacant seats. The full committee membership for the 2017-2018 fiscal year is:

- Dee Cozart**, Chair, Business Representative, San Jacinto
- Altie Holcomb**, Vice Chair, Member At Large, Menifee
- Andrew Masiel**, Member At Large, Temecula
- Damitrius Morales**, Student Representative, San Jacinto
- Brian Sylva**, Member At Large, Beaumont
- Dennis Anderson**, MSJC Support Organization (MSJC Foundation Board), Hemet
- Darryl Drott**, Taxpayers' Association, Menifee
- Judy Guglielmana**, Taxpayers' Association, Lake Elsinore
- Salvador Valdivia**, Senior Citizen's Representative, Beaumont

From left to right as listed above:



MSJC Foundation

Tasting, Dancing, Jamming



Black Hat Patsy returned to entertain guests at the MSJC Foundation's annual Autumn Nights Brew & Vino Fest in November at the Menifee Valley Campus.

The local band, comprised of some MSJC alumni, helped celebrate the community and friends of MSJC, who support the students and the college. Guests rocked on to the band and local **DJ X-Ray** while enjoying a delicious BBQ dinner, samples of craft brews & wine from the area.



A Night of Vintage Glamour

Monte de Oro Winery in Temecula served as a beautiful location for the 2017 MSJC Foundation gala. The ninth annual gala honored outstanding individuals and organizations and raised funds for student scholarships.

The theme, “A Night of Vintage Glamour,” was a nod to the heyday of radio and TV of the 1940s and highlighted the college’s television and radio programs that prepare students for work in today’s dynamic media.

The gala is the MSJC Foundation’s signature event to raise scholarship funds for students and mini-grants to support college programs. Each year, the gala offers an evening of fun with an elegant meal, live music, dancing and a silent auction.

The MSJC Foundation honored the following during the event:



Outstanding Community Member,
Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians



Outstanding Alumni,
John Cox



Outstanding Faculty Member,
Jim Davis



Outstanding Staff Member,
Martha Hall



Special Recognition,
Bob Botts

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- ConvergeOne
- Pepsi
- The Soboba Foundation



First Golf Classic a Success!

The MSJC Foundation's inaugural Golf Classic was held in October 2016 at Journey at Pechanga in Temecula. The event, which included guest speaker **Gary McCord**, dinner and awards, raised more than \$47,000 for student scholarships and other support services.

Supporting Scholars

Nearly 140 scholarships were awarded during the annual Mt. San Jacinto College Scholarship Awards luncheon. Ninety-three students were selected to receive scholarships totaling more than \$106,000 in the Spring 2017 semester. The ceremony was held on May 10th at Wilson Creek Winery in Temecula.

The Mt. San Jacinto College Foundation is seeking donors and partners to help continue its support of MSJC and its students. For more information about the MSJC Foundation, call **951-487-3171** or visit **www.msjc.edu/foundation**.



Staff & Faculty Highlights



Seasoned Pro

Karin Marriott, Director of Public Information, Marketing & Strategic Communications, received the 2017 All-Pro Award from the California



Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO). The organization recognizes one community college public relations, marketing and/or communications professional each year to receive the award. The award honors the individual for career and leadership accomplishments, noteworthy marketing and community relations projects and other awards received.

Welcoming a New VP



Dr. John Colson joined MSJC as the vice president of Student Services. He brings more than 20 years of experience in the student services field. He received his bachelor's degree from Toccoa Falls College. He earned his master's degree from the University of Georgia and his doctorate in higher education from the University of Georgia.



Artistic Accolades

The Menifee Arts Council recognized MSJC faculty and staff in February, April and June of 2017 for the Artist of the Month program.



Christopher Kiser, performing arts technician, was honored in February.



Music professor **John Tribelhorn** was recognized in April.



Musician and associate faculty member **Craig Yancey** plays the saxophone, flute and clarinet. He received the honor in June.

Retirements

In 2016, MSJC said goodbye to several treasured employees who retired:

- **Bobby Avila**, Full-Time Instructor
- **Paul Breman**, Instructional Aide IV
- **Katherine Charles**, Full-Time Instructor
- **Ubaldo Cid**, Facilities Assistant I
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- **Bruce Warner**, Facilities Assistant III

Formal French

“My Private French Class, Grammar and Conjugation, Level 1” is the latest book by associate faculty member **Stéphanie Berton Muñoz**.



Professor Hamilton Recognized for Unity



Willie Hamilton, MSJC political science professor and member of the San Jacinto Unified School District board, was recognized at an August 15 San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce event for his work to unify the community. He is a member of the MSJC Diversity Committee and organizes the annual MLK Unity Breakfast at the San Jacinto Campus.

Honor Society Soars

The international honors society Phi Theta Kappa's Beta Delta Omega chapter at MSJC made college history in 2016-17 with more than 380 members. To be eligible, MSJC students must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.5 for 12 or more degree applicable units. Phi Theta Kappa provides opportunities for the development of student service, leadership, scholarship, and fellowship through organized honors society activities including campus blood drives, leadership conferences, scholarly lectures, and food drives for local families in need.

In 2017, students and the chapter were recognized: MSJC student **Hope Graham**, of Temecula, was elected to serve as vice president of communications for Phi Theta Kappa's Nevada/California region. MSJC's Beta Delta Omega was ranked in the top 100 chapters at the PTK Catalyst international convention and earned Five-star Chapter status, the highest level a chapter can attain. The chapter also earned first place in the prestigious Hallmark award for its Honors in Action project titled Human Trafficking: Myth and Reality.

Advisors: **Dr. Nick Reeves**, below, **Jennifer Borton**, **Crystal Bryan**, **Stephanie Velona**, **Christina Yamanaka**.



Graduation



Changing the World

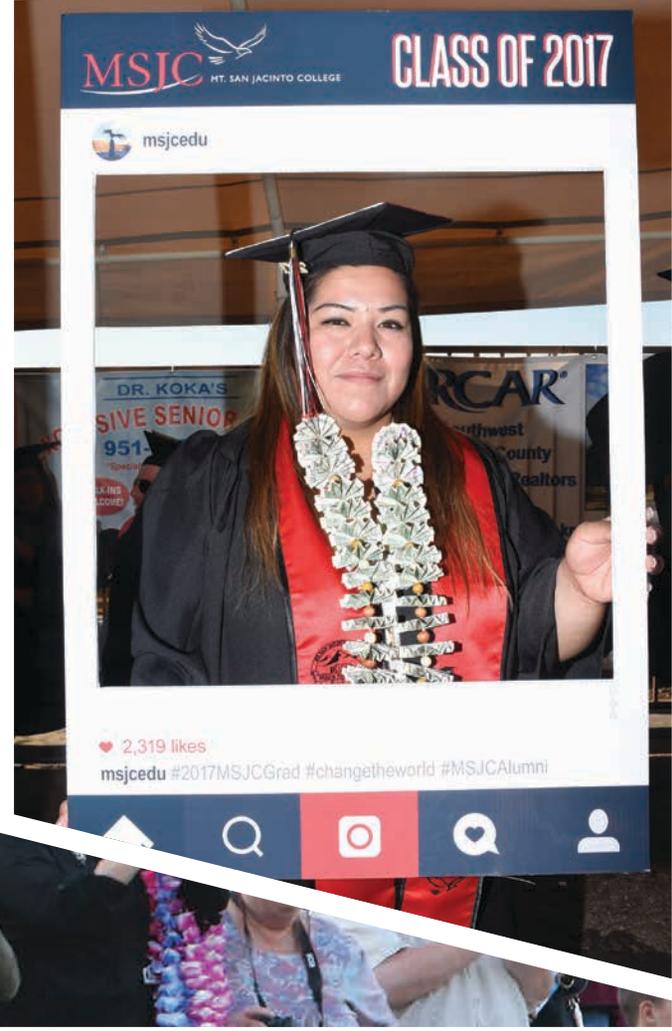
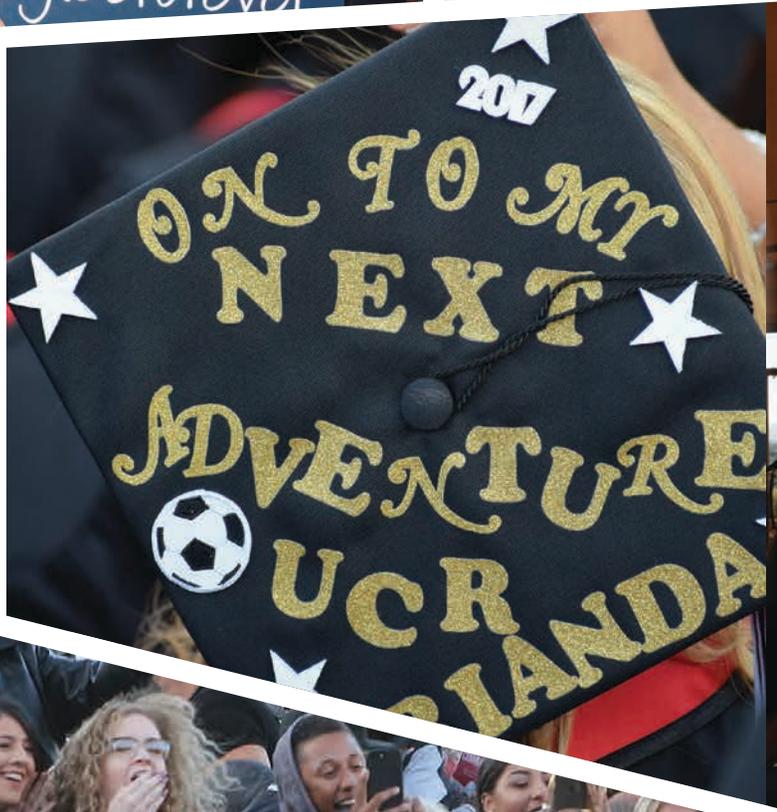
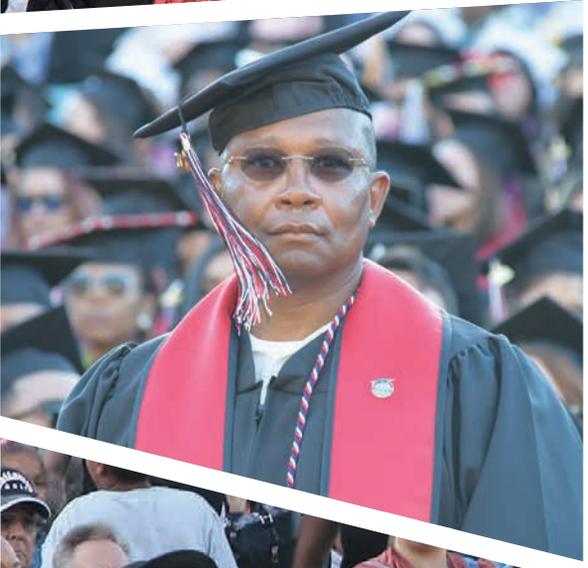


MSJC's 2017 commencement ceremony was held at the Ramona Bowl in Hemet. MSJC awarded **2,109 associate degrees** and **137 career certificates** to **1,356 graduates**, as many students earned more than one degree or certificate or a combination. The 2017 theme was "How will you change the world?"



An education can allow you to reach heights that some people just dream about.”

– MSJC Student, *Janet Plata*,
one of two student commencement speakers



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