

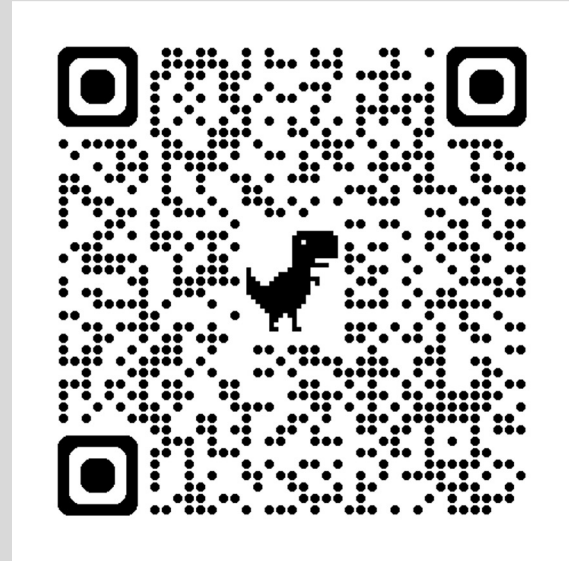
EDGE'S END OF SESSION UPDATE - LA IMPACTS

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LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

AB 359 (HOLDEN)

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College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Dual Enrollment Partnerships

- Updated CCAP partnerships to reflect best practices from leading dual enrollment programs.
- Simplified application processes to streamline access for students statewide.
- Expanded partnerships to include more colleges, increasing opportunities for students.
- Enhanced dual enrollment opportunities enable students to earn college credits while completing high school.
- LA Impacts: 80 public school districts and 270 charter schools, including the 27,740 adult learners, would have benefitted from the development of seamless pathways to college-level coursework & expanded preparatory opportunities.

Position: Support

Status: Vetoed

AB 2458 (BERMAN)

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STUDENT PARENTS

- Aims to ease financial burdens and support student-parents in higher education.
- Guarantees financial assistance, including childcare costs, for student-parents.
- Requires UC, CSU, and CCC campuses to collect and analyze data on student-parent success.
- Seeks to improve enrollment and graduation rates for student-parents.
- LA Impacts: aiding LA community colleges, to strengthen financial aid access and better support student-parents, many of whom are first-generation students and students of color.

Position: Support

Status: Chaptered

AB 2873 (GARCIA)

BREAKING BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE (BB2E)

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- Allocates 15% of future BB2E funds to community-based organizations unable to secure a workforce board partner but meeting other requirements.
- Unused funds in this allocation will roll over to the next application cycle.
- BB2E supports workforce and education programs for individuals facing employment challenges.
- LA Impacts: Los Angeles County's 28 workforce development and job training programs.

Position: Support

Status: Chaptered

AB 3240 (CALDERON)

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CA BAN ON SCHOLARSHIP DISPLACEMENT: CAL GRANTS

- The California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2021 prevents colleges from reducing institutional aid due to private scholarships unless total aid exceeds the cost of attendance.
- Colleges are prohibited from considering private scholarships when determining eligibility for institutional aid.
- Starting July 1, 2025, these protections will extend to students eligible for Cal Grants.
- LA Impacts: 205,000 students enrolled in Los Angeles Community Colleges who may be eligible for the Cal Grant Program.

Position: Support

Status: Chaptered

SB 227 (DURAZO)

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EXCLUDED WORKERS PROGRAM

- Requires the Employment Development Department (EDD) to create a detailed plan for a permanent Excluded Workers Program.
- The program will provide cash assistance similar to unemployment insurance benefits.
- Supports unemployed workers ineligible for benefits due to their immigration status.
- LA Impacts: approximately 951,000 undocumented Angelenos.

Position: Support

Status: Vetoed

BUDGET ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

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INVESTMENTS IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT & THE ECONOMY

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INVESTMENTS IN EDUCATION & STUDENTS

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SOCIAL SAFETY INVESTMENTS FOR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

HIGH ROAD TRAINING PARTNERSHIPS

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- Budget preserves funding for High Road Training Partnerships (H RTP) by rejecting \$45 million in cuts.
- \$15 million is reallocated to expand H RTP programs at the Workforce Development Board.
- H RTP focuses on worker-centered, industry-led training with an emphasis on equity, job quality, and sustainability.
- LA Impacts: 95,000 workers and contribute \$66 billion to LA's economic output.

CA YOUTH LEADERSHIP CORPS (CYLC)

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- Budget preserves \$20 million in funding for the CYLC.
- Supports earn-and-learn career pathways at 20 community colleges over four years.
- Aims to drive community change through youth leadership and career development.
- LA Impacts: East LA College and LA Trade Tech.

CA YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

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- Budget preserves \$25 million in funding for the CA Youth Apprenticeship Program.
- Focuses on increasing opportunity youth participation in pre-apprenticeships and apprenticeships.
- Aims to demonstrate positive employment and earnings outcomes for participants.
- LA Impacts: \$2 million for both pre-apprenticeships and apprenticeships.

WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

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- Budget preserves \$15 million in ongoing funding for the Women in Construction Unit at the Department of Industrial Relations.
- Includes funding for five permanent positions to support women and non-binary individuals in skilled trades.
- Aims to promote diversity and inclusion in the construction sector.
- LA Impacts: increase opportunities for women and nonbinary individuals in LA's construction industry, addressing gender disparity in the field.

CRADLE-TO-CAREER DATA SYSTEM

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- Allocates \$2 million to enhance the California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI) for college and career planning tools for 6th-12th graders.
- Expands eTranscript California for smoother transfer of community college transcripts to four-year schools.
- Provides \$12 million in one-time funds to extend eTranscript to all 116 community colleges, improving student record transfers.
- Grants will cover local setup and integration costs, reducing third-party reliance.
- LA Impact: ensuring best practices in the LA public education and workforce systems.

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

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- Budget allocates \$6 million in one-time funding for the Mapping Articulated Pathways (MAP) for Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) project.
- Supports working adults in accessing high-demand careers through CPL practices.
- Helps colleges automate credit transfers using technology.
- Provides grants for faculty development and technical assistance.
- LA Impact: 15 of the 19 LA Community Colleges participate in MAP.

FOOD FOR ALL

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- Budget maintains commitment to expand the CA Food Assistance Program (CFAP) but delays automation until 2026-27, with benefits starting in 2027-28.
- CFAP will provide food assistance to undocumented immigrants aged 55 and older.
- The budget continues to exclude undocumented immigrants aged 54 and under from accessing the program.
- LA Impact: 951,000 undocumented immigrants.

CHILD CARE

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- Budget reaffirms the expansion of over 200,000 subsidized child care slots by 2028, as approved in 2021.
- Fully funds 11,000 awarded expansion slots from current appropriations.
- LA Impact: Currently only serves 14% of eligible families with children aged 0 to 3. This will aid in slowing down a 35% decline in state-subsidized preschool enrollment from 2019 to 2023.

HEALTH FOR ALL

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- Budget sustains funding for Health4All, expanding Medi-Cal coverage to undocumented immigrants aged 26-49.
- Expansion, initially approved in 2022, includes \$835.6 million for 2023-24 and \$2.6 billion annually starting January 2024.
- LA Impact: provide financial relief to hospitals through reduced uncompensated care costs.



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