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TITANREPORT



Campus to Launch First Comprehensive Fundraising Campaign

CSUF announces the most ambitious comprehensive campaign in the university's history with a public celebration and Day of Giving on Thursday, March 12. The "It Takes A Titan" campaign will raise \$200 million over five years, focusing on four areas: Academic Innovation, Student Empowerment, Campus Transformation, and Community Enrichment.

CREATING A TRANSFORMATIONAL UNIVERSITY

President Fram Virjee is committed to creating a transformational student experience. "I believe a transactional university is a place that provides tools for students to become professionals," he explained. "A transformational university is one where we not only provide these tools but truly transform lives."

He continued, "We have almost 40,000 students and last spring, we graduated more than 12,000 Titans.

"The graduates and their families are not the only beneficiaries. We provide a huge pool of qualified employees to the Orange County marketplace. Titans are the region's



employees, clients, customers. They are our civic leaders. An investment in CSUF is an investment in Orange County. We are an important economic engine of the region."

The career-ready graduates usually stay in Orange County and 80 percent live within 50 miles.

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CSUF SCIENTISTS CONTRIBUTE TO DETECTION OF SECOND NEUTRON STAR COLLISION

Cal State Fullerton astrophysicist Jocelyn Read knows that studying the universe is full of surprises. For the second time, on April 25, 2019, gravitational waves — ripples in spacetime produced by accelerating masses — were detected from a cosmic collision of two neutron stars.

This event that Read and her colleagues uncovered was 520 million light years away from Earth.

The neutron stars combined had an unusually high mass — about 3.4 times the mass of the sun — that suggests they collided and promptly collapsed into a black hole, emitting very little light.

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Young Men of Color in High School Learn Power of Potential

African American and Latino boys ages 14-17 in 9th to 11th grades — spent the day at Cal State Fullerton's fourth annual Male Youth Empowerment Conference, listening to successful alumni and learning from campus and community leaders that college is possible.

Cal State Fullerton's Educational Partnerships and Male Success Initiative-Fullerton presented, "The Power of Your Potential: Highlighting the Paths for Young Men of Color in STEM + Arts Fields," with sponsorship provided by Orange County United Way.

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TITANS of Giving

DAN BLACK

Alumnus **Dan Black**, through The Black Family Trust, has been a longtime supporter of CSUF. He recently made a \$1 million campaign lead gift during the last fiscal year; and supports physics; the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Mihaylo College of Business and Economics; ROTC and Concert Under the Stars. Black's main focus is providing support that directly benefits students. Karl Freels, Black's grandson and trustee of the Black Family Trust, serves on the College of NSM's Dean's Board. READ MORE AT DONORS.FULLERTON.EDU / TO MAKE A GIFT, VISIT GIVING.FULLERTON.EDU