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New Project Rebound Center Sets Stage for Hope, Redemption

Cal State Fullerton celebrated the grand opening of Project Rebound's Center for Hope and Redemption in March. Since 2016, Project Rebound has supported over 300 formerly incarcerated individuals pursuing degrees in higher education.

"This program is about changing hearts and minds," said CSUF President Fram Virjee. "It's about daring to dream about building a better future for this entire community."

The center, located in Pollak Library, Room 140, is an open space where student scholars can gather, learn about leadership opportunities, work on personal development and explore interdisciplinary approaches to education.

"When we talk about diversity, equity and inclusion, this is what this space represents. Not only for our population, but other marginalized populations as well," said James Cavitt, Project Rebound's program director. "We are not only coming out of the shadows, but we are being placed on the main stage. That says that we stand with you, we stand behind you and we support you."

[BIT.LY/CSUF-PROJECT-REBOUND-CENTER-2023](https://bit.ly/csuf-project-rebound-center-2023)



Giles-O'Malley Center for Leadership Opens

The Center for Leadership, housed in Cal State Fullerton's College of Business and Economics, has been named after university supporters Terry Giles '70 (B.A. speech communication) and his wife, Kalli O'Malley.

The naming marks a new chapter for the center, which was founded in 2009 and has expanded to include student leadership development and networking events, the Bringing Learning to Work program, annual award recognitions for regional firms and organizations, and the "Leadership Voice" television show and YouTube channel.

"I am most grateful to Terry Giles and Kalli O'Malley for investing in our students," said Sri Sundaram, dean of the College of Business and Economics. "As many of our students are the first generation in their families to attend college, the programs offered by the center, along with the opportunities to network with local business and community leaders, are critical to our students' personal and professional growth."

Giles, a founding supporter of the center, established one of the largest and most successful criminal law firms on the West Coast. His current company, Giles Enterprises, has diversified interests in biotech, high-end hotels and financial portfolio investments.

O'Malley is a former prosecutor for Harris County, Texas, the capstone of a legal career that included commercial litigation at the law firm Andrews & Kurth. She is the founder of the Houston chapter of Girls Inc. and has served on many philanthropic boards.

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Check out the spring/summer 2023 issue of Titan magazine at titanmag.fullerton.edu. Retiring President Fram Virjee and First Lady Julie reflect on their memories of Cal State Fullerton.



Center for Oral and Public History Honors Orange County Leaders

To recognize the contributions of three political leaders, the Lawrence de Graaf Center for Oral and Public History recorded the stories of former Mayor of Santa Ana Miguel Pulido '80 (B.S. engineering-mechanical engineering), former U.S. Rep. Ed Royce '77 (B.A. business administration-accounting, finance) and former U.S. Rep. Mimi Walters. "Future generations will be much richer, and have a better understanding of our history, because of the stories we recorded this year," said Natalie Fousekis, center director and professor of history.

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Celebrating the Class of 2023

More than 13,000 Titans were invited to participate in Cal State Fullerton's Class of 2023 commencement ceremonies May 22-25 at Titan Stadium and the intramural field. The university expects to welcome 100,000 family members, friends, faculty and staff for the four-day celebration. For more information about Commencement 2023, including college ceremony schedules, parking and livestreaming, visit fullerton.edu/commencement.

