



Dear [Legislator's Name],

As a constituent of yours and part of the alumni at California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH), I respectfully urge you to protect the California State University (CSU) funding by stopping the proposed \$375 million cut and upholding the commitments outlined in the Multi-Year Compact.

While I recognize the state's budget challenges, reducing the CSU's funding will harm its 460,000 students, delay thousands of students from graduating and entering the workforce and hinder economic growth. The CSU and each of its universities are of critical importance to our state and community.

At CSUDH, the cuts would amount to a devastating \$12 million. This will further throw fuel on an already budget crisis. Having already laid off staff, frozen staff positions, reduced student workers, and cut operation expenses, this act would cause a tsunami impact across the university by totaling \$31 million in cuts. The harm to CSUDH would take decades to recover from. This is sad, since the campus is making so much progress to serve our community. I implore you to not let this happen.

Fully funding the CSU will ensure access for thousands of California students, will help keep tuition affordable, and will ensure students have the support they need in and out of the classroom. The CSU represents the best of what California has to offer in terms of a high-quality education, workforce development and social mobility.

Budget cuts would force campuses to cut up to \$30 million, weakening workforce preparedness and harming students, staff and faculty. Additionally, the proposed cut of \$375 million is 8% of the CSU's state funding. A cut of that size is not equitable when compared to the cuts other state agencies are facing. I urge you to prioritize CSU's funding in the 2025-26 state budget and to not cut its funding.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for your support of the CSU and its students.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

