

Transcript: True College Cost 2 – English (Youtube)

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Duration: 2 minutes, 12 seconds

Speaker: Eloy - We want to create opportunities for our students at all levels of their educational goals. Our biggest challenge is in supporting our students who come from the most under-resourced communities in California in the nation. The primary need is financial.

Speaker: Ahmael - There's just so many expenses you know as a college student, you're just broke all the time. It's hard.

Speaker: Aliyah - There's so many students who want to graduate or get their degree or pursue a career or do whatever they want to do to achieve their goals and the cost is a major setback.

Speaker: Pam – Our students needs are what we call the true cost of an education. And so it's those needs that we need to make certain that we wrap around our students so that they can be successful in meeting some of those challenges.

Speaker: Fulisha - It hasn't been easy for me, I'm a mother of six. Being a Native American woman, education has not always been really big in our culture. Going back to school and getting this education is really not only going to help me be self-sufficient but help me be involved in my children's lives and give back to my community.

Speaker: Ahmael - I'm a first generation college student. I come from a family of six, a single parent home, finances are really the number one reason of why students can't succeed. Really excited to be the person in my community to kind of change the narrative.

Speaker: Eloy - That is the greatest challenge that we face, helping students who have been under-represented, who have been historically left behind, and who are terribly under-resourced. Giving them the opportunity to be successful.

Speaker: Pam – We need to recognize that our students needs are more than just the fees and tuition. It's for housing, it's for food, it's for child care, it's for transportation.

Speaker: Eloy - We need to continue to increase investment from our policy makers allowing our students this opportunity to finish their educational goal and to keep going and get into the California workforce in our economy and make us a better state.

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