

LAS POSITAS COLLEGE

COMMUNITY
GUIDE TO
CAMPUS
RESOURCES





Purpose: Numerous requests from various organizations serving homeless and low-income residents within the Tri-Valley area resulted in this publication. The purpose of this guide is to increase community awareness of available campus services targeting low-income individuals and families who have a desire to go to college. Las Positas College has a wealth of resources that provide additional support to students attending our campus. We hope you find this guide useful as you navigate opportunities for personal advancement.

Eligibility: Eligibility guidelines throughout this booklet are **generally stated**. Further inquiry to clearly determine eligibility for supportive services is required and contact information for each service is listed in this publication.

How to Use this Guide: See table of contents for a list of campus resources with the corresponding page numbers and make sure to review all the information. The guide begins with common questions asked by service providers within the community. Each question is followed by a general answer and references to various sections of the guide targeting the need-based question.





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*Make sure you have a valid email address

Links to complete the steps to enroll at Las Positas College can
be found here:

http://www.laspositascollege.edu/admissions/ stepstoenrollment.php

Follow the steps in this order:

- 1. Create an account through CCCApply
- 2. Complete the application to Las Positas College through CCCApply
- 3. Apply for financial aid to help pay for college (even if you do not think you qualify)
- 4. Complete the online orientation
- 5. Complete the assessment
- 6. Complete a student education plan

PLEASE NOTE:

Steps 1-4 can be completed <u>off campus</u> if there is access to technology.

Steps 5 and 6 must be completed on campus.

You may contact the homeless liaison if you would like support with any of the required steps to enrollment.



Are there resources for me if I cannot afford to pay for food?

Yes. The Market is brought to you by our Las Positas College Student Government (LPCSG). This event is typically held on a monthly basis in front of Building 1600. Free groceries are available on a first-come, first-serve basis until food runs out. A CalFresh representative is also available at The Market events. This representative can answer questions and give you more information about how to apply for CalFresh, a county-based program that helps low-income households purchase groceries.

Where do I go for help if I am a current/former foster youth?

Go to the second floor of Building 1600 Room 1668 where our Foster Youth Liaisons are located. They will be happy to help you and can refer you to different programs on campus that can further assist you.

School has always been hard; are there campus resources I can use?

If school has been difficult due to a diagnosed disability, you can contact the Disabled Student Programs & Services (DSPS) office to work with you and determine if you are eligible. Tutoring, English, Math, Reading and Writing, Counseling, and other services are available on campus to current students to promote academic success.



Can I go to school if I am not a citizen?

Yes. There are options for non-citizens. Your residency is determined by the information you provide on your application to Las Positas College. If you have questions regarding your residency status, go to the Admissions & Records office on the second floor of Building 1600.

**ALL students, regardless of circumstance or status, should apply for Financial Aid to see if they are eligible to receive support. For information on students with alternative non-citizen residency status, see the "Undocumented Students" page of this document.

Can I get help with my mental, learning or physical disability?

Yes. The Disabled Student Programs & Services (DSPS) program provides support services, specialized instruction, and educational accommodations to students with various disabilities. DSPS is located on the first floor of Building 1600 in Room 1610.

Is there low-cost or free childcare available to students?

Yes. There is a Child Development Center on the Las Positas College campus. For information on the 2Gen Fund Scholarship and childcare options, please contact the Center directly. See "Childcare" section of this publication for more information.

**The county offers free childcare services for students who are eligible
to participate in the CalWORKs program. See "CalWORKs" for more
information**

Frequently Asked Questions

I am a single adult with little/no income, what options do I have?

You can apply for Financial Aid and the California College Promise Grant (via the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the California Dream Act Application (CADAA). If you end up being eligible for financial aid, then you can seek federal work study opportunities. Also, you can apply for EOPS which is a program that provides additional support for low-income students.

I am a low income parent and have to work to take care of my family, what options do I have?

You have the same financial aid and supportive services benefits as the previously answered question for single adults with little/no income. You can also apply for CalWORKs and CARE, which are programs that provide additional resources for low-income students who have dependent minors.

Can I go to college and get financial help if I have a criminal record?

Yes. You can still go to college despite your criminal record. If you are on probation or parole or living in a halfway house, you may be eligible for federal student aid. However, the details of your criminal record will determine your eligibility. Your level of funding varies and is dependent upon the type of conviction. See "Financial Aid" for more information.





Are there resources to help homeless students or students at-risk of becoming homeless?

Yes. Las Positas College has various resources to help support homeless students or students who are at-risk of becoming homeless including Financial Aid, transportation services (Wheels, Rapid and ACE Rail), shower facilities, food resources (The Market and CalFresh), EOPS, DSPS, and the Student Health & Wellness Center. Come see our Homeless Liaison in Building 1600 Room 1668 for more information regarding these services and many more.

How can I get to my classes if I don't have transportation?

Las Positas College students may ride all Wheels and Rapid bus routes without having to pay for the bus fare upon boarding with payment of the transportation fee. Students also get a 50% discount on monthly passes and 20-ride tickets for ACE Rail by presenting their student ID at the Livermore Transit Center. Your Las Positas College student ID is your bus pass!

If you do not already have your student ID, you can obtain it at the Online Service Center on the second floor of Building 1600 Room 1672.



CalWORKs: California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids

Location: Building 1600 Office #1668

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/calworks/

Email: <u>Lpc-calworks@laspositascollege.edu</u>

Phone: (925) 424-1431

Who is Any low-income student currently taking classes

eligible: at Las Positas College who has at least one dependent child under the age of 18. **See

Income Eligibility Guide on page 10**

Program Child Care costs

Benefits: Monthly Cash Aid

CalFresh (food) Benefits

Medical Benefits

Transportation Services Book Vouchers for school

School Supplies

Individual Tutorial Services
Academic & Personal Counseling

The Las Positas College CalWORKs program serves low-income students with dependent children living in their household. See page 10 for information on CalWORKs income eligibility

guidelines.



If your family's monthly income is <u>close to</u> the guidelines listed below, your family may be eligible for a CalWORKs cash benefit.

Alameda & Contra Costa

County

Income Limits

Family	Monthly
1	\$686
2	\$1,125
3	\$1,395
4	\$1,655
5	\$1,889
6	\$2,125
7	\$2,335
8	\$2,541
9	\$2,757

San Joaquin

County

Income Limits

Family	Monthly
Size	Income
1	\$651
2	\$1,070
3	\$1,324
4	\$1,574
5	\$1,799
6	\$2,021
7	\$2,215
8	\$2,419
9	\$2,614





Career Education (CE) Career & Employment Center

Career

www.laspositascollege.edu/careereducation

Education:

www.laspositascollege.edu/careercenter

Career & Employment:

amaciel@laspositascollege.edu

Email: Phone:

(925) 424-1423

Who is eligible:

Any interested student.

Program Benefits:

Las Positas College offers many career and technical programs which prepares students to find entry-level employment while providing technical skills upgrading for those currently employed. There are 35 Certificate programs and 65 related Associate Degrees to prepare students for the workforce. **Visit the Career Education website for a list of certificate programs.

Las Positas College offers employment services through the Career & Employment Center located on campus. We have also partnered with Tri-Valley Career Center (formerly Tri-Valley One Stop) to provide additional services to Las Positas College students looking for employment enhancement opportunities and resources. **Visit Las Positas College Career & Employment Center or find us online by clicking on the link.



Child Development Center

Location: Building 2300

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/childcenter

Email: amlopez@laspositascollege.edu

Phone: (925) 424-1575

Who isOpen to all students and Tri-valley community
families. Students with verifiable disabilities. Serves

children 18 months - 5 years old.

For state preschool (3-5 years) email

schavez@laspositascollege.edu or call (925) 424-

1567 to make an appointment.

Program Benefits:

On-site childcare for student parents while you are attending classes. Affordable childcare for low

income students and community members in the Tri-

Valley.

Partnership with Child Care Links, which provides tuition vouchers for parents based on income.

Childcare tuition covered through the **2GenFund**





Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Location: Building 1600 Office #1610

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/dsps/

Email: Lpc-dsps@laspositascollege.edu

Phone: (925) 424-1615

Who is Students with verifiable disabilities. A DSPS

eligible: Counselor can work with students to

determine eligibility.

Program Support services, specialized instruction, and educational accommodations including

priority registration, extended test time,

note taking assistance, audio books,

permission to record lectures, interpreters,

captioning, counseling, tutoring, etc.





EOPS/CARE

Extended Opportunities Program & Services (EOPS) Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE)

Building 1600 Office #1668 Location:

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/eops/

Lpc-eops@laspositascollege.edu Email:

Phone: (925) 424-1598

Who is **EOPS**: Low-income, educationally disadvantaged stueligible: dents who are California residents, planning to take 12

units, and have less than 50 degree applicable units com-

pleted.

CARE: Students who are in EOPS and who are also single parents receiving CalWORKs or single parents whose dependent children (under 14 years' old) receiv-

ing CalWORKs

Program Benefits: **EOPS**: Academic, career, and personal counseling, book grants and supplies, tutoring, transfer application fee waivers. **Some services may be unavailable due to

limited funding.

CARE: Additional academic advising and personal counseling, meal grants, gas gift cards, automotive maintenance/repair certificates. **Some services may be

unavailable due to limited funding.





Financial Aid

Location: Building 1600 Office #1650

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/financialaid/

Email: lpcfinaid@laspositascollege.edu

Phone: (925) 424-1580

Who is Any student can and should apply. Funding is based on

eligible: various eligibility guidelines for each type of aid.

Program Benefits: **California College Promise Grant**

Waives enrollment fee (\$46 per class unit)
Full time student status = 12 units/semester

\$46 x 12 units = \$552/semester

Amount covered if you are eligible for this program.

Pell Grant / Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)

Free money that does not need to be paid back as long as you are making good progress in your classes.

Pell - Awards <u>up to</u> \$6,095 per year SEOG - Awards <u>up to</u> \$4,000 per year

**Must be a citizen or eligible non-citizen (permanent resident, resident alien, refugee, asylee). Also, must meet the financial criteria for eligibility.

If you are on probation or parole or living in a halfway house, you may be eligible for federal student aid. Limited eligibility, Some convictions may limit eligibility, please contact the financial aid office for more information.





The Market

Location: Building 1600 Office #1643

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/cal/

Email: www.laspositascollege.edu/student-gov/

Phone: (925) 424-1490

Who is Any student is eligible to use this service. eligible:

Program Free food
Benefits: by our La

Free food distribution program brought to you by our Las Positas College Student Government (LPCSG). Free groceries are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, and until food runs out. Visit the website events page to see when the next Market event will take place.

**A CalFresh Representative is available at The Market events to answer questions about receiving monthly food benefits for low income students.





Foster Youth

Building 1600 Office #1668 Location:

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/calworks

Email: aingold@laspositascollege.edu

joliveira@laspositascollege.edu

(925) 424-1434 Phone:

Any current or former foster youth who is cur-Who is eligible:

rently taking classes or planning to take classes

at Las Positas College.

The Foster Youth Liaison provides support **Program Benefits:** throughout all aspects of the community col-

> lege experience. Provides referrals to any student who has been or is currently in foster care. The liaison is the single point of contact for any

academic or non-academic questions.





Student Health & Wellness Center

Building 1700 Office #1701 Location:

www.laspositascollege.edu/healthcenter/ Website:

pgonsman@laspositascollege.edu Email:

Phone: (925) 424-1830

Who is Any student currently taking classes at Las Positas

eligible: College.

The center is managed and operated by Stanford Health **Program Benefits:** Care ValleyCare, and provides high quality health care

services and wellness education. Most services are included in your health fee, while others are available at

low costs.

Free services include physical exams, over the counter medications, band-aids, ice packs, and condoms, flu shot, TB testing, lactation room, crisis counseling, 8 counseling sessions per

semester, etc.

Low cost services include various immunizations. diagnostic laboratory testing and screenings, STI testing, etc. crisis counseling, 8 counseling sessions each semester, clinical breast exams, pregnancy testing, lactation room, etc.





Homeless Liaison

Location: Building 1600 Office #1668

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/calworks/

Email: aingold@laspositascollege.edu

Phone: (925) 424-1434

Who is Any homeless youth who is currently or planning to attend college and meets homeless criteria below.

Program Benefits:

The Homeless Liaison provides support throughout all aspects of the community college experience. Provides referrals to any students who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. The liaison is the single point of contact for any academic or non-academic questions.

Homeless Definition:

Homeless is defined as a student who does not have a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This includes, but is not limited to, students who: are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; or are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.





Shower Facilities

Location: Building 2500 Physical Education

Complex

Shower facilities are available on Who is

campus for homeless students who eligible: are enrolled in a minimum of .5 units

of coursework.

Shower facilities may be used at any **Program Benefits:**

time as long as you are a current Las

Positas College student attending

classes.





Transportation Services

Location: Wheels and Rapid Bus & ACE Rail

Who is eligible: Any student currently taking classes at Las Positas College with a valid Las Positas College student ID

Program Benefits:Wheels and Rapid Bus – Las Positas College students may ride the Wheels and Rapid routes without having to pay the bus fare.

ACE Rail – Las Positas College students get a 50% discount on monthly passes and 20-ride tickets for ACE Rail by presenting a student ID at the Livermore Transit Center Sales Outlet.

** This is not limited to school hours or location. You may use these services for ANY route within the Wheels and Rapid system at ANY time the service is available.

For students who need to work or participate in other activities outside of classes, the transportation services are still available to you as long as you are a current student and have your student ID on hand.





California Dream Act Application (CADAA) - Financial Aid

Location: Building 1300 Office #1314

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/financialaid/dream.php

Dreamers Website:

www.laspositascollege.edu/dreamers/

Email:

lpcfinaid@laspositascollege.edu

Phone:

(925) 424-1580

Who is eligible:

Undocumented and non-resident students

**Must be undocumented, have a valid or expired DACA, hold a U visa, have Temporary Protected Status (TPS), or meet the non-resident exemption requirements under AB540. Also,

must meet the financial criteria for eligibility.

Program Benefits:

If you're a noncitizen without a Social Security card or had one issued through the federal Deferred Action for

Childhood Arrivals program, you should fill out the

California Dream Act Application found at:

<u>caldreamact.org</u>. If your FAFSA or DREAM application results indicate you have sufficient unmet financial need and you are a <u>California resident or you have established</u>

AB540 status

You will automatically be provided a tuition fee waiver under this program!

<u>Click on the "Dreamers" link above for more resources on Undocumented supportive services to students.</u>





Veterans First Program

Location: Building 1300 Office #1314

Website: www.laspositascollege.edu/veterans

Email: <u>Lpcveteransfirst@laspositascollege.edu</u>

Phone: (925) 424-1570

Who is Those who have served, are currently serving in the armed forces, and also eligible dependents/

spouses of veterans.

Program Administration of veterans educational benefits

Benefits: program.

Resources and contacts such as career planning, financial aid, transition counseling services and

other needed services.



LAS POSITAS COLLEGE CAMPUS MAP

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KEY TO BUILDINGS

Classrooms

- English Classrooms & Lab Fine Arts 200 900
- Classrooms, ILC (Integrated Learning Center), Open Math Lab
 - Visual Communications, Photography Studio, Computer Lab 600 A/B Fire Service Technology Training 200
- Lecture Hall, Computer Labs, Auto & Welding Labs, Smog Referee 800
 - Center, Horticulture Viticulture, Garden Classrooms, Greenhouse
 - Classroom Building **Central Utility Plant** 1000 1300 1310 1600
- Veterans Resource Center **3ookstore**
- 1690 Academic Services, Vice President's Office Student Services & Administration Building
- 1689 Administrative Services, Vice President's Office 1670 Admissions & Records
 - 1642 Assessment Center 1620 Cafeteria
 - 1604 Career/Transfer Center 1663 Community Education
- 1668 EOPS, CARE, CalWORKs 1615 DSPS High Tech Center 1616 Counseling Center
- 1658 International Student Program 1650 Financial Aid
- 1672 Online Service Center 1643 Student Government 1680 President's Office
- 1669 Student Services, Vice President's Office 1643 Welcome Center
- Campus Safety, Student Health Center, Copy Center, Mail Room
 - Information Technology Services (ITS) Science Technology Center 1 Science Technology Center 2

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LOT B

LOT A

AMPHITHEATER

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- Library (Learning Resource Center) Faculty Offices
- Multi-Disciplinary Education Building **Child Development Center** 2401 Tutorial Center Classrooms 1800 1850 1900 22000 2200 2300 2400
- Physical Education Complex (Gym) Aquatic Center Campus Hill Vineyard 2420 Lecture Hall
- Maintenance & Operations Building Maintenance & Operations Building Field House
 - 4119 Main Theater
 - 4128 Black Box Theater Mertes Center for the Arts



