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## Let's Go to College LA Campaign

The L.A. Compact is excited to announce the launch of **Let's Go To College Los Angeles**, a collaborative campaign that prioritizes the needs of historically underserved students in the L.A. region to support them on their journey to pursue higher education. The campaign is the regional focus of **Let's Go to College California**, a statewide student-led resource hub led by the Southern California College Access Network.

In 2018, four out of 10 Black and Latinx students in L.A. County had not enrolled in college one year after high school graduation – that's nearly 32,000 students of color each year who are not on a path to earn a degree that increases their employability, their income and their upward mobility.

That was before COVID-19. On top of all the traditional barriers to higher education access and persistence, aspiring and current college students in 2020 are wrestling with staying motivated in distance learning, balancing their own college goals with the financial needs of their family, and managing the stress of life and loss caused by the coronavirus.

[Click here to learn more and to join the campaign today.](#)

## Collective Impact in Action



OYC Young Leaders Present a Town Hall Discussion:

## Young Adults, Past Trauma, & Foster Care

Learnings: How foster care and past trauma's impact education, employment, relationships, and housing

Date: 09.09.20 | Time: 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

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### Study Assesses How Transfer Pathways Work for Students in Los Angeles

The Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT), awarded by the California Community Colleges, provides a guaranteed pathway for students to transfer to a four-year university in a specific major. Since 2018, The L.A. Compact Student Success Workgroup (SSWG) has been involved in developing a study using their own institutional data to evaluate the effectiveness of the ADT. [Read more for the latest update.](#)

### OYC Young Leaders Host First Virtual Town Hall

On Sept. 9, the Los Angeles Opportunity Youth Collaborative (OYC) Young Leaders led and participated in the *Young Adults, Past Trauma, and Foster Care Town Hall*. Their conversation centered on ways young people are coping with school, work and personal relationships in the midst of a pandemic and social unrest. The OYC Young Leaders have already expressed interest in holding additional virtual conversations between young people and professionals. [Read more.](#)

## Partner Highlights



### California Cradle-to-Career Data System Webinars

California's **Cradle-to-Career Data System** is a new, innovative statewide initiative that will connect education, social service and workforce data. It will include easy-to use visuals and sophisticated search tools to help answer important questions and inform equitable and actionable policy decisions that open pathways for all Californians to thrive. Tune into the Cradle-to-Career Data System



### Cal Poly Pomona Serving Students in a Time of Uncertainty

Cal Poly Pomona (CPP), a member of the Student Success Workgroup, launched a virtual resource and information hub called **Safer Returns: Our Plan for Fall 2020**, to help returning students transition back to college and to help new students adjust to their new college environment in the middle of the pandemic. The hub outlines CPP's plans for fall 2020 and the necessary changes on and off

[webinars](#) in October to learn more about the proposed education data system and to provide feedback. [Read more.](#)

campus that students, parents, faculty, staff and visitors need to know about. [Read more.](#)



### County and City Grant Programs Help Child Care Providers Stay Open

Access to reliable child care is key as the economy reopens and more parents go back to their physical work spaces. However, due to the pandemic, the operating costs of running a child care center or home have gone up forcing many providers who were already operating on a thin margin to close their doors permanently. Finding child care was already a challenge before the pandemic and now with these looming closures it could become harder. In response, both Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles dedicated a portion of their CARES Act funding to create complimentary [Child Care Provider Grant Programs](#) [Read more.](#)



### Emergency Child Care Extended Through the End of December

At the start of the pandemic, many child care centers and some family child care homes closed their doors, leaving essential workers scrambling to find child care. In response, L.A. City Mayor Eric Garcetti [launched a program](#) to help eligible working parents find, and sometimes pay for, child care at sites that remained open. However, these benefits are set to expire soon. Luckily, the County Board of Supervisors and the City of L.A. have dedicated part of their CARES Act funding to extend emergency child care services to essential and low-income workers through the end of the year. [Read here](#) to see who is eligible for this program.

## What We're Reading

[Joseph I. Castro Appointed Eighth CSU Chancellor](#)  
[California State University]

[The U.S. education system is in crisis. Now's the time to reinvent it](#)  
[Fast Company]

[L.A. County educators want to build a better bridge between pre-K and kindergarten](#)  
[LAist]

[Tens of thousands of L.A. area students still need computers or Wi-Fi 6 months into pandemic](#)  
[Los Angeles Times]



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