In 2019, the Associated Students of UC Davis, (ASUCD) faced a structural deficit that would impact their ability to maintain student employment and appropriate reserve funds. ASUCD proposed a fee referendum that would increase the ASUCD base fee paid by undergraduates. COSAF reviewed the proposal and made recommendations to ASUCD in the 2019-2020 academic year.

In Winter of 2020, undergraduate students voted on the proposal. The proposal would increase the quarterly ASUCD base fee by $26. This fee increase moved the ASUCD base fee from $35 per quarter to $61 per quarter. After the initial $26 increase, the fee would be raised annually by $8.00 per quarter through 2029-2030. After 2030, the fee would be raised annually by the Consumer Price Index or CPI. 25% of the fee increase would support Return to Aid.

Undergraduate students voted on this referendum in Winter of 2020 and the measure passed. The new base fee went into effect in Fall Quarter of 2020.