

CAMPUS EXPANSION INITIATIVE (CEI)

2021-22

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS AND FEES (COSAF)

Department Name: **ASUCD Unitrans**
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Referenda verbiage regarding allocations to this department: *New buses, new silo bus terminal, matching funds for federal grants.*

1. 2020-21 Use of Fee / 2021-22 Projected Use of Fee

Expense	2020-21 Actuals	2021-22 Estimated Allocation
Student Salaries (including benefits)	\$0	\$0
Career Staff Salaries (including benefits)	\$0	\$0
Programs, Information Technology, Administration	\$0	\$0
Facility/Maintenance Expenses	\$0	\$0
Fixed Expenses (debt service)	\$0	\$0
Contribution to Reserves	-\$63,200	-\$595,000
Other (please list) – Capital programs such as electric bus facility upgrades, electric bus purchase, fleet rehabilitation with near zero-emission engines, bus stop improvements, support equipment, etc.	\$468,211	\$1,000,000
TOTAL FEE REVENUE	\$405,011	\$405,000

2. Please describe the department's programs, services and/or facilities funded by CEI:

Unitrans provides transit service to the UC Davis campus and City of Davis community. CEI funds are critical to Unitrans' push to go electric, reduce carbon emissions, and improve the customer experience. CEI funds are generally used to fund facility and equipment expenses, such as new buses, bus stop improvements, terminal, operations & maintenance facility improvements, and matching funds for other miscellaneous capital needs. These funds are not used for operating salaries or benefits and do not receive a CPI adjustment.

In FY2020-21, CEI funds were used to match grant funding for major infrastructure and fleet projects including electric bus facility infrastructure (20%), bus rehabilitation with near zero emission engine technology (24%), replacing 1980s era bus wash facility (40%), replacing 1980s era forklift (10%), bus stop shelter and bench upgrades (4%), and other miscellaneous projects (3%).

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3. Please provide information on any substantial variance between 2020-21 and 2021-22:

CEI usage varies significantly from year to year as Unitrans uses CEI as matching funds on project based work. In the coming years, we expect to significantly spend down the CEI reserve balance due to major programs such as the \$14 million initial electric bus purchase, \$2 million electric charger purchase, \$1 million bus wash replacement project, and \$500,000 underground diesel tank replacement project.

4. Does this department plan to use any CEI funds for items not intended by the referenda? If so, please explain:

No.

5. If applicable, please provide plans for use of reserves listed in section #1:

As mentioned in #3, CEI funds in reserve are expected to be fully expended within the next 2-3 years as Unitrans completes the first phase of our electrification project which will upgrade our facility to accommodate 14 battery electric buses and buy 14 battery electric buses. The matching funds needed will exceed the CEI balance.

6. Please describe the need for a consumer price index (CPI) adjustment and include the departmental plan if CPI is not applied next academic year.

The CEI funds allocated to Unitrans are not subject to CPI and as a result, the purchasing power of the funding has diminished significantly over the last 15+ years.

7. Is there information this department would like to provide regarding the scope of student use of the programs/services/facilities funded by CEI?

(Please limit your response to those items funded by CEI.)

As noted in Question 3, in the next several years, Unitrans will likely completely spend down all annual CEI funds and reserves to support major capital programs including: construction for 14 electric bus charging stations, underground diesel storage tank removal and replacement, rehabilitation of 13 buses with near zero emission engines, and purchase of 14 battery electric buses. Over the next 2-3 years, Unitrans' capital program costs exceed \$10 million and Unitrans is pursuing funding to pay for these projects.