

## Response Summary:

### Q1. Applicant Information

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<b>Name of Department/ Unit/ Student Organization</b>	Transfer and Reentry Center
<b>What is your role or position within the Department/ Unit/ Student Organization?</b>	Transfer Retention Specialist

### Q2. Event/ Program Information

<b>Name of the Event/ Program</b>	Reentry Retreat
<b>Date(s) of Event (include the year)</b>	1/24/26
<b>Location</b>	Student Community Center Multi-Purpose Room
<b>TOTAL event/ program budget (\$x,xxx)</b>	\$8,485
<b>Funding request amount from COSAF (Student Programming Fund) (\$x,xxx)</b>	\$8,450

### Q3. Please provide a detailed description and purpose of the event/ program.

For Spring 2025 there are approximately 1,000 reentry students at UC Davis. Reentry students are defined as those who are ages 25+, student parents, married/partnered, caregivers, and returning from a break in school. These students have a particular experience at the University in that they often feel out of place due to their age and other intersectional identities, thus hosting a leadership retreat directly targeted for this population helps to promote a sense of belonging and to address their specific needs. We have been honored to receive COSAF funds for the last three years to host the Reentry Retreat. The program has been very successful, so we would like to continue it again next year.

The Transfer and Reentry Center proposes to host a Reentry Retreat on Saturday, January 24, 2026 in the Student Community Center Multipurpose Room. In order to allow student parents to attend, the program will offer on-site children's activities on the Student Community Center patio. In 2025 we piloted the on-site children's activities for children ages 12 months to 5 years old (those who couldn't attend the Youth Programs Camp) and it was very successful - allowing students with younger children the opportunity to attend the retreat. The program features teambuilding and networking activities, campus resource presentations, art activity, and a resource fair. Below is a draft of the retreat agenda.

9-9:45am: Check in, Breakfast, Introductory Remarks

9:45-10:15am: Speed Friending/Networking

10:15-11:15am: Resource Presentation

11:15-11:30am: Break

11:30am-12pm: Art Activity

12-12:45pm: Lunch and Resource Fair

12:45-1pm: Group Photo

1-2pm: Resource Presentation (potentially a faculty panel) or Group Activity

2-2:30pm: Raffle Drawing and Post-Survey

**Q4. How will the requested funds be utilized to support this event/ program?**

SCC Multi-Purpose Room Rental: \$1,500  
Room Reservation Fee: \$35 (paid for by the TRC)  
Breakfast, lunch, and snacks for participants: \$4,400  
Tshirts: \$1,500  
UCD Bookstore Gift Cards for Planning Committee: \$300  
Children's Activity Supplies: \$200  
Art Activity Supplies: \$200  
Swag Bags for Participants: \$200  
Raffle Prizes: \$150  
Total Budget: \$8,485

The funds will be utilized to cover three main types of costs: facility rental and catering, activity facilitation, and supplies. The TRC will reserve the space in anticipation of the event and pay the \$35 fee

**Q5. Please enter estimated attendance for the following groups.**

<b>UC Davis Students</b>	125 (100 attendees, 25 volunteers)
<b>UC Davis Staff</b>	3
<b>Faculty</b>	3
<b>Other (please specify and include number)</b>	15 children

**Q31. If this event does not receive funding or receives only partial funding, how will the event be impacted?**

We could probably still be able to run the retreat, though might have to shorten it and/or change some of the activities.

**Q6. Who is the target audience of the event/ program? (e.g. students, program participants, users of a specific service)**

The target audience are undergraduate reentry students.

**Q7. What program, activity, or service will be provided? (e.g. six-week training program, instructional class or activity, structured community program that exposes students to new ideas and experiences)**

The service provided is a full day retreat, which includes leadership development activities, networking opportunities, campus resources, entertainment, and refreshments. The companion children's activities provide a full day of quality enrichment, which gives student parents the opportunity to participate. We've made a few adjustments from the 2025 program based on feedback from the participants and the committee's ideas for improvements.

**Q10. How does the event/ program provide services that are of growing interest to students? (if applicable)**

Nationally, reentry or "nontraditional" students are one of the fastest growing populations on college campuses. The CLASP Center for Postsecondary and Economic Success notes 40% of college students are nontraditional (CLASP, 2015) and the population is growing at twice the rate of traditional students. However, higher education institutions have been slow to acknowledge this trend or make changes to better serve these students.

**Q11. How does the event/ program foster diversity, equity, and inclusion? (if applicable)**

As reentry students can face particular barriers to success including balancing multiple life roles (employment, family responsibilities, etc.), transitioning back to school after taking a break, and a lack of fit between their experience and the dominant narrative of college attendance, programs that specifically address their needs are crucial in promoting student success. Reentry students often feel like they are the only ones on campus, so being able to see others and connect to the reentry community is important.

Reentry students also hold multiple intersecting identities as veterans and military connected, former foster youth, system impacted and formerly incarcerated, student parents, and from underrepresented racial groups.

**Q12. How does the event/ program provide crucial services to students? (if applicable)**

As noted previously, programs specifically tailored to reentry students are essential to promoting their success as mainstream programs do not typically address their needs. Furthermore, offering the children's activities allows student parents to attend. Without these activities they would either need to pay for childcare or not be able to attend the program.

**Q32. How does the event/program benefit a large range of student population?**

Each year there are approximately 1,000-1,500 reentry students at UC Davis. These students represent all of the four Colleges and a variety of majors.

**Q13. Has your Department/ Unit/ Student Organization put on this event in the past?**

- Yes

**Q14. Please provide the following information on the previous event(s).**

<b>Event date(s) (Month(s)/ Date(s) / Year)</b>	1/25/2025
<b>Location</b>	SCC MPR
<b>Total attendance</b>	97

**Q15. How was the success of the event measured?**

Attendance and survey responses. Here's one response from the 2025 retreat: "Thank you all so much for creating such a beautiful event. It was so welcoming and positive. The speakers were fantastic and the entire experience was really empowering and uplifting.

I am so proud to be a part of the transfer center and be included in this amazing group of people including, of course, my fellow students.

Again, much appreciated, and thank you for contributing to my well-being. Plus, the food was excellent and I know my table loved all of the activities! Me, too."

**Q33. If this is an annual event, is there a change to funding from previous years?**

- Yes

**Q34. If Yes, what is the change?**

For 2025 we were awarded \$9,205; for 2026 we're requesting \$8,485 - \$720 less. We have decreased the amount of our request as we are switching from the Youth Programs Camp to on-site children's activities.

**Q35. If this is an annual event, is there a substantive change to the program agenda from previous years?**

- Yes

**Q36. If Yes, what is the change?**

As noted above, we are switching from the Youth Programs Camp to on-side children's activities. The rest of the agenda remains fairly consistent.

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**Embedded Data:**

N/A

## FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM COSAF | 2025-26

Name of Event/Program:

**Reentry Retreat**

Name of Department/Unit/Student Organization:

**Transfer and Reentry Center**

Program Date(s) in 2025-26: **January 24, 2026**

ITEM	ESTIMATED COST	SUB-TOTAL
<b>FACILITY:</b> Room Rental, Room Set-Up, Equipment Rental, Audio/Video		
1.	Room rental, setup, and AV for the SCC Multipurpose Room	\$ 1,500.00
2.	Room reservation fee (paid for by the TRC)	\$ 35.00
3.		\$ _____
4.		\$ _____
5.		\$ _____
6.		\$ 1,535.00
<b>FOOD:</b> Refreshments, Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (include estimated cost per person)		
7.	Breakfast for 100 people	\$ 1,800.00
8.	Lunch for 100 people	\$ 2,500.00
9.	Snacks	\$ 100.00
10.		\$ _____
11.		\$ _____
12.		\$ 4,400.00
<b>PERFORMERS, GUEST SPEAKERS, HONORARIA</b>		
13.		\$ _____
14.		\$ _____
15.		\$ _____
16.		\$ _____
17.		\$ _____
18.		\$ 0.00
<b>PUBLICITY/MARKETING:</b> Flyers, Posters, Advertising, Mailing, Printing		
19.		\$ _____
20.		\$ _____
21.		\$ _____
22.		\$ _____
23.		\$ _____
24.		\$ 0.00
<b>SUPPLIES:</b> Decorations, Online Tools, Software, Licenses		
25.	100 tshirts for participants	\$ 1,500.00
26.	Supplies for Children's Activities	\$ 200.00
27.	4 \$75 UCD Bookstore Gift Cards for Planning Committee	\$ 300.00
28.	Supplies for Art Activity	\$ 200.00
29.	Swag bags for participants	\$ 200.00
30.	Raffle prizes	\$ 150.00
		\$ 2,550.00
<b>TRAVEL:</b> Transportation, Parking, Lodging		
31.		\$ _____
32.		\$ _____
33.		\$ _____
34.		\$ _____
35.		\$ _____
36.		\$ 0.00

<b>Total Amount Requested from COSAF:</b>	<b>\$ 8,450.00</b>
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