

ACCCA's 2026 Budget & Advocacy Forum

9:00 am Opening Session

Welcome Remarks, ACCCA President, **Geisce Ly**, Dean, Downtown Center and School of Business, Child Development, Culinary, Fashion, & Horticulture, City College of San Francisco

9:10 am Economic Forecast Presentation

A forecaster from Anderson School of Economics will provide an overview of their latest report on national economic factors and implications for California, particularly in the education sector, to identify trends impacting CCC operations.

9:40 am 2026-27 Budget Impact Conversation

A panel of leaders representing key college constituencies will engage in meaning-making around the impact of the Governor's January Budget on California Community Colleges and their operations.

Panelists will include a CEO, CBO, Student Services Administrator, and Instructional Leader, each offering their perspective on potential positive and negative implications for funding, planning, and student success. The discussion will be guided by questions developed from CFLA input and live audience polling, providing an interactive and multifaceted exploration of how state budget priorities translate to local realities on college campuses.

10:25 am Impact Focus Discussions

In this cross platform approach, participants are invited to visit breakout rooms to have a more focused discussion on the impacts of the 2026-27 Governor's Budget as it directly affects their service area.

Each room will feature a facilitator to lead a 35 minute conversation with a report out to the general audience following the break

11:10 am Break

11:20 am Discussion Groups Report Out:

Each of the small group facilitators will have 3 minutes to briefly present discussion highlights and perspective, as well as suggestions and advocacy points.

11:30 am Advocacy Strategy Presentation

Advocates from ACCCA [Michelle and Kyle], the League [Andy Martinez] and the Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations, David O'Brien from the Chancellor's Office will take on the major impacts to colleges from both state and federal initiatives, discuss strategy and address questions derived from the pre-polling feedback of the audience members.

12:00 pm Closing Remarks