



Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President

Dear Spartan Community,

Over the weekend, Governor Gavin Newsom signed the Budget Act of 2025, which outlined the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget for the state, a budget that represents a significant improvement over earlier proposals.

As Chancellor Garcia [expressed in a statement late last week](#), we are grateful for the efforts of the governor and the legislature to mitigate cuts to the CSU system despite the state's challenging fiscal circumstances. We also appreciate the work of our local state representatives, who advocated for our campus and the CSU as a whole.

Yet the state's final budget includes a 3% reduction in revenue to the CSU, and includes funding deferrals and other uncertainties (including those coming as a result of federal actions) that will keep SJSU in a fiscally conservative position over the coming year. The resulting loss of funding to SJSU from this reduction is expected to be \$8.9 million.

As a reminder, we started FY 2024-2025 with a balanced budget for the first time in five years. As discussed with the [Budget Advisory Committee \(BAC\)](#) and with the wider campus at the spring Budget Town Hall, university leadership has been engaged in scenario planning for 2025-2026 and beyond. Because of our efforts to create a financially sustainable budget model and enrollment efforts that are bringing additional tuition revenue to the university, we will proceed with just a 2% reduction to the base of our university budget. We remain committed to sensible enrollment growth and well-founded optimism about the future success of SJSU.

As we prepare for the 25-26 academic year I remain committed to open and transparent conversations on our finances as we continue planning for the future. You can find all information on our [Budget Communications Page](#) on our website. I offer my appreciation to the Budget Advisory Committee, for their input and advice as I make budget decisions.

I look forward to sharing with you how we plan to keep our campus on track to create a financially sustainable budget model informed by both opportunities and uncertainties ahead. We are planning a new Budget Town Hall meeting for late September. More details to come closer to the date.

I wish you all a restful holiday weekend and look forward to seeing many of you again in a few weeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cynthia Teniente-Matson".

Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson
President
(She/Her/Ella)

